Sustainable Return on Investment
Fort Belvoir Community Hospital, Fort Belvoir, VA
As part of the HDR | Dewberry joint venture, a SROI analysis was used to help justify top sustainable design features such as green roof, heat recovery system, solar photovoltaic system, or a rainwater collection system. As a result, 1.6 million gallons of potable water and $449,299 in energy consumption were saved per year and 4,000 tons of greenhouse gases were avoided each year.

Advantages to SROI:
- Proven cost-benefit analysis-based approach
- Generates consensus among all stakeholders by being both interactive and transparent
- Doesn’t “green-wash” a project, technology, or strategy
- Helps projects justify and secure funding
- Accounts for uncertainty and calculates risk

Graph data referenced from: Sustainable Return on Investment and Life-Cycle Cost Analysis of: The Energy and Water Conservation Measures for the Proposed FBCH, HDR | Dewberry Joint Venture
Emerging Trends—Capturing the Full Triple Bottom Line Benefits

After polling more than 60 of our clients in the infrastructure sector, we found they wanted:

- Quantifiable and verified annual energy and water reductions
- Assistance in managing and prioritizing unfunded mandates, including regulatory and self-imposed
- Informed consultants who can optimize the best cost vs. saving solution
- Capability to perform master plans and studies to identify opportunities for cost savings, including life cycle costs to prepare for the next 10 years

SROI-Improved Project Outcomes

Sustainable return on investment (SROI) analysis is a quantitative methodology to calculate the full impact of economic, social, and environmental factors of various green investment decisions. Project outcomes such as fewer employee sick days, reduced carbon dioxide emissions, or improved resiliency are key to the decision making process. These impacts often go beyond the project’s boundaries, affecting external stakeholders and the environment alike.

We identify the most likely economic, environmental, and social opportunities and vulnerabilities for our clients; and how to reduce risk and optimize their return on investment.
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