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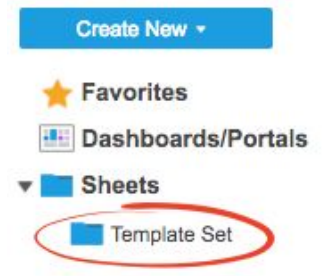
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REQUIREMENTS: This template set has been designed to utilize the full suite of functionality available in Smartsheet. Select plans do not have access to all premium features like Dashboards, Automated Actions, and Activity Log. If you are on a limited plan you can still use the template set however not all premium functionality will be available. [Click here](#) to see a list of discontinued plans.

Get the Template Set

Click the link below and the template set will be added to your Sheets folder. You can find this folder on the left side of the screen under Sheets.

[Contract Management Template Set](#)



What's Included in the Set

With the Contract Management Template Set, you can manage your contracts for different departments, track contract status, get notified when new contracts are submitted or about to expire and get an overall view of all of your current contracts.

Contracts Expiring - 30 Days Report
Is a live filter that displays all of the expiring contracts upcoming in 30 days.

Contract Management Sheet (x3)
Tracks and maintains all of your contracts. Each department has its own sheet.

New Contract Form (x3)
Allows your team members to submit new contracts for each department.

Contract Rollup Sheet
A central repository that summarizes data on contract health and totals.

Contract Management Dashboard
A dashboard that summarizes your contract values and statuses.

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Set Up



Using a [workspace](#) is a best practice when building a collaborative process. Workspaces allow you to centralize your work and control sharing with different stakeholders.

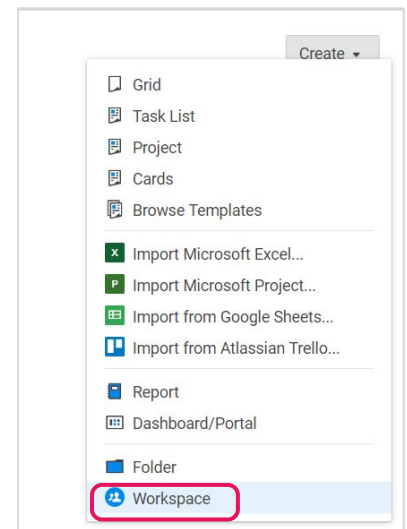
Step 1:

Create a New Workspace

Open *Home*. From the home menu, click the *Create* button in the upper right hand corner. From the drop-down menu, select *Workspace*. Name the workspace.

Learn more:

[Workspaces Overview](#), [Workspace Sharing](#), [Home Tab](#)



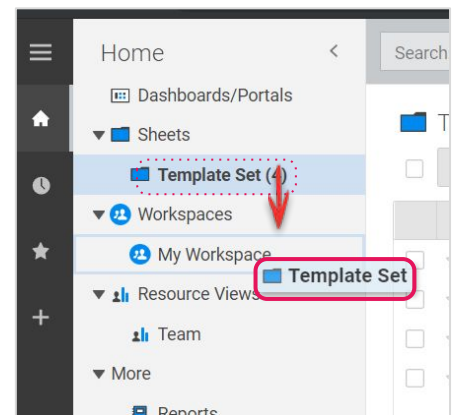
Step 2:

Drag the Files into Workspace

Select the template set folder under your *Sheets* folder. Drag and drop the folder down to the workspace you just created.

Learn more:

[Manage Items in a Workspace \(Add, Move, Remove\)](#)



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Customize

Step 3:

Format Contract Management Sheets (x3)

Use the Contract Management sheets to track and maintain all of your current contracts. You can keep record of contract status, key contacts, contractor information, key dates, and notes about the contracts.

- A. Add or delete any columns to accommodate your team’s unique process: right-click on any column and select *Edit column properties* or *Delete*.
- B. Enter your team members’ names in the *Contract Manager* column to make it easier for your team to assign the manager when using the form: click on the *Contract Manager* column header, select *Edit column properties*, and add the managers under *Values*.
- C. The +/- sign next to Summary allows you to expand and collapse the summary section.
- D. Summary Section rows are locked so that editors cannot accidentally change the formulas. The Length of Contract, Notify Days to Cancel/Renew, and Next Contract Review Date columns are also locked so that editors cannot accidentally change the formulas.

Status	Contractor Name	Contract Amount	Contract Manager	Contractor Street Address	Contractor City	Contractor State	Contractor Postal Code	Contract Title/Name	Department	Contact	Contract Type
Summary											
🔒	Total Contracts	32									
🔒	Total Contract Value	\$111,680,000.00									
🔒		8									
🔒		12									
🔒		12									
●	Merry Maintenance	\$1,000,000.00	Kirk Caskey		Jackson City	WA		Recreational Center Maintenance	Water District	Casey Olsen	Firm Fixed Price (FFP)
●	ABC Store	\$5,000,000.00	Henry McNeal		Redmond	FL		Supplies	Water District	Jim Hammond	Firm Fixed Price (FFP)
●	Local Hardware	\$5,000.00	Brent Williams		Bellevue	OH		City Supplies	Water District	Amanda Young	Firm Fixed Price (FFP)
●	Dan HVAC	\$100,000.00	Alexandra Matts		Troy	NY		HVAC	Water District	Jane	Firm Fixed Price (FFP)
●	Merry Maintenance	\$1,000,000.00	Kirk Caskey		Bellevue	OH		Pool Maintenance	Water District	Lucas	Firm Fixed Price (FFP)
●	ABC Store	\$20,000,000.00	June Taylor		Seattle	WA		Pool Supplies	Water District	Casey Olsen	Firm Fixed Price (FFP)
●	Local Hardware	\$1,000,000.00	Lori Grimes		Boise	ID		Park Maintenance	Water District	Lucas	Firm Fixed Price (FFP)
●	Dan HVAC	\$50,000.00	Alexandra Matts		Burke	WI		North City Rec Center	Water District	Casey Olsen	Firm Fixed Price (FFP)
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Learn more:

[Formulas & Functions](#), [Locking & unlocking columns](#), [Inserting, deleting & renaming columns](#)

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Step 4:

Modify the Contract Forms (x3)

The New Contract form is how people submit new contracts. Each Contract Management sheet is built with its own form, and when contracts are submitted they are added to the respective sheet.

- Click on *Manage Forms* and then *Edit* to customize the existing fields. You can add or remove fields, change field titles or descriptions, and modify *Form Options*.
- Mark fields as *Required Field* that you want to require contract managers to complete.
- Click on *Add Field* to add a new field to your form. By adding a new field, you are also adding a new column to the Inspection Submissions sheet. Drag the field into the position where you want place your new field.
- Set your form to be filled out by a *registered Smartsheet user* to ensure that the *Contract Manager* column is automatically populated.
- Click *Save* to close the form builder and copy, and save the URL displayed. Give this URL to contract managers who will be submitting new contract forms. You can also share it via email, hyperlink, or embed it on a website or dashboard.

The screenshot displays the Smartsheet interface with the 'Forms' panel open. The 'New Library Contract' form builder is active, showing a list of fields: Contractor Name (marked as required with an asterisk and a red circle 'B'), Contract Manager (marked as required with an asterisk), Contractor Street Address, and Contractor City. The 'Form Title and Description' panel is also visible, showing the title 'New Library Contract' and a description: 'Use this new form to enter a new contract for your department.' The 'Add Field' button is highlighted with a red circle 'C', and the 'Save' button is highlighted with a red circle 'E'. The background shows a spreadsheet with columns for Status, Contractor Name, Contract Amount, Contract Manager, Contractor Street Address, Contractor City, Contractor State, Contractor Postal Code, Contract Title/Name, Department, Contact, and Contract Type.

Learn more:

[Forms, Edit Existing Fields](#)

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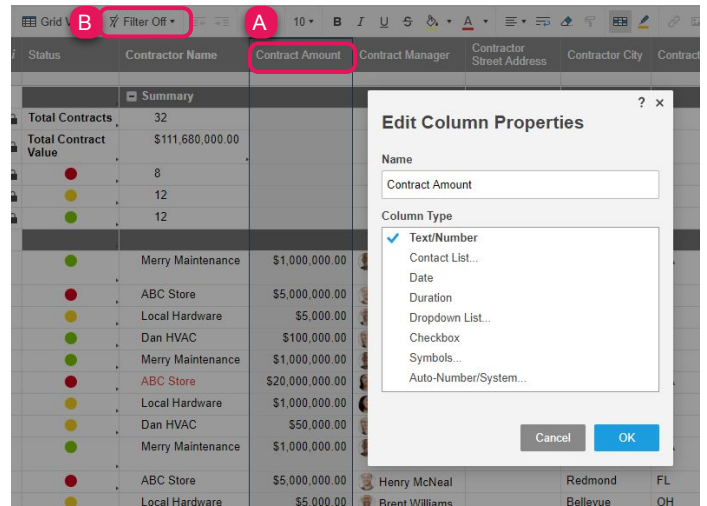
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Step 5:

Update Contract Information and Use Filters

After a contract has been added to the sheet, people with editor permissions or higher can modify contract information in unlocked columns. Anyone viewing the sheet can create filters to see contracts that meet certain criterias. An example is to create a filter for contracts that each contract manager owns.

- A. To modify column types and names, double-click on the column headers. To modify the options in the dropdown list, double-click on the *Contract Type* column header and edit the options under *Values*.
- B. Select the *Filter Off* button in the toolbar to create, use or modify filters.



Learn more:

[Dropdown List](#), [Filters](#), [Shared Filter](#)

Step 6:

Set Automations

Automated workflows are a great way to keep track of changing information on your sheet. Each Contract Management sheet is set up with a reminder to notify the contract manager 30 days before a contract expires and an alert to the contract manager when a new contract assigned to them has been added or changed.

- A. Modify the workflow by going to *Automation* and select *Manage Workflows* in the dropdown menu.
- B. Then double-click on the workflow in order to open the editor window.

	Contract Information	Totals
1	Contract Health Totals	96
2	Red	24
3	Yellow	36
4	Green	36
5	Total	\$319,680,000.00
6	Water	\$95,500,000.00
7	Library	\$111,680,000.00
8	Parks and Rec	\$112,500,000.00
9		
10		

Learn more:

[Save Time and Work Faster With Automated Workflows](#)

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Step 7:

Recurring Reminder

An automated recurring reminder is a great way to save time and keep track of deadlines. The Recurring Contract Renewal/Expiry alert will notify the contact listed in the Contract Manager column every day when the Contract Expiration Date is in the next 3 days. Note if you set up recurring reminders for other people, be thoughtful about how often you send the alert.

- Modify the reminder by going to *Automation* and selecting *Manage Workflows* in the dropdown menu. Then double-click on the workflow to open the editor window.
- To customize the workflow's schedule (trigger box), click on the dropdown that begins with *Every day starting on* and select *Run once* to trigger on a single date, or choose *Custom* to edit the recurrence schedule.
- Customize the workflow conditions (condition boxes) to add criteria and then click *Save*.

The screenshot illustrates the Smartsheet Automation editor interface. On the left, a sidebar menu shows the 'Automation' tab selected, with a red box 'A' highlighting the 'Manage Workflows...' option. Below this, a list of workflows is shown, with 'Recurring Contract Renewal/Expiry Alert' selected and a red box 'A' around it. The main editor window displays the configuration for this workflow. A red box 'B' highlights the 'Trigger' section, which is set to 'When a date is reached' with a dropdown menu open showing 'Every day starting on 05/29/19', 'Run once', and 'Custom...'. A red box 'C' highlights the 'Conditions (1)' section, which is set to 'Where Contract Expiration Date is in the next (days) 3'. Below the conditions, the 'Alert someone' action is configured to send alerts to contacts in the 'Contract Manager' column.

Learn more:

[Alerts & Reminders](#)

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Step 8:

Open Contracts Expiring - 30 Days report

Use reports to create cross-sheet filtered lists of the contracts that meet certain criteria. For instance, the Contracts Expiring - 30 Days report shows all contracts from your three Contract Management sheets for Library, Parks and Rec, and Water District that are currently expiring in 30 days. Reports are live, so as the contracts expiration date is updated, so will the data on the report. This report is surfaced in the Contract Management dashboard.

- A. The report is already set up. If you want to make changes to the criteria or add another sheet used for the report, open the report and click on the Report Builder and set your criteria.

	Sheet Name	Primary	Contact
1	Sheet - Contract Management - Water District	Local Hardware	Brent Williams
2	Sheet - Contract Management - Water District	Merry Maintenance	Kirk Caskey
3	Sheet - Contract Management - Water District	ABC Store	June Taylor
4	Sheet - Contract Management - Water District	Local Hardware	Lori Grimes
5	Sheet - Contract Management - Water District	ABC Store	Henry McNeal
6	Sheet - Contract Management - Water District	Dan HVAC	Alexandra Mattson
7	Sheet - Contract Management - Water District	Merry Maintenance	Kirk Caskey
8	Sheet - Contract Management - Water District	ABC Store	June Taylor
9	Sheet - Contract Management - Water District	Merry Maintenance	Kirk Caskey
10	Sheet - Contract Management - Water District	Local Hardware	Brent Williams
11	Sheet - Contract Management - Water District	Dan HVAC	Alexandra Mattson
12	Sheet - Contract Management - Water District	Merry Maintenance	Kirk Caskey
13	Sheet - Contract Management - Water District	Dan HVAC	Alexandra Mattson
14	Sheet - Contract Management - Water District	ABC Store	Henry McNeal

Learn more:

[Reports](#)

Step 9:

Review the Contract Roll-up sheet

The “Contract Roll-Up” sheet is a central repository where metrics you want to track across all contract management sheets are rolled-up. We’ve designed this sheet with cross-sheet formulas so the metrics always reflect, in real-time, the information in the underlying sheets.

- A. Overwrite the categories under each section to match your dropdown lists in the “Work Order Requests” sheet. Replace the names of the assignees under the “Resource Metrics” section.
- B. If you added new types in the “Work Order Type” column in the “Work Order Requests” sheet, insert a new row to the “Tasks by Work Order Type” hierarchy and copy the formula. The formulas will automatically recognize the work order type you enter in this section.

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Learn more:

[Cross-sheet Formulas](#)

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Step 10:

Update your Contract Management Dashboard

The Contract Management Dashboard is where you can get an overall view of all of your current contracts. Use it to track total contract values, statuses, contracts expiring in the next 30 days, and to access contract sheets and forms.

- A. Click *Edit* in the upper left corner to begin customizing. Then hover over any widget and select the *pencil icon*.
- B. Replace the logo placeholder with your own logo in the *Image* widget.
- C. The The Total Contract Value and Total Contracts are *Metric* widgets from the Contract Rollup Sheet.
- D. The charts under Total Contract Value and Overall Contract Status are *Chart* widgets creating column and donut charts from the formulas on your Contract Rollup sheet.
- E. Contract Sheets takes you directly to your Water District, Library and Parks and Rec sheets. Submit New Contract takes you directly to the form to submit a new contract for new Water District, Library and Parks and Rec contracts.
- F. Contracts Expiring in Next 30 Days is a *Report* widget that displays the Report - Contracts Expiring - 30 Days.

Contract Management Dashboard

Total Contract Value: **\$319,680,000.00**

Total Contracts: **96**

Key Contacts

- Jane Smith, Jane@Contracts.gov
- Tom Thomson, Tom@Contracts.gov

Total Contract Value

Category	Value
Water	\$95,500,000.00
Library	\$111,680,000.00
Parks and Rec	\$112,500,000.00

Overall Contract Status

Status	Count
Water	24
Library	36
Parks and Rec	36

Contract Sheets

- New Water District Contract
- New Library Contract
- New Parks and Recreation Contract

Submit New Contract

- Sheet - Contract Management - Water District
- Sheet - Contract Management - Parks and Rec
- Sheet - Contract Management - Library

Contracts Expiring in Next 30 Days

Sheet Name	Primary	Contact	Contract Title/Name	Contract Manager	Contract Expiration Date	Contract Effective Date	Cont
Sheet - Contract Management - Water District	Local Hardware	Brent Williams	City Supplies	Amanda Young	12/10/18	09/11/18	
Sheet - Contract Management - Water District	Merry Maintenance	Kirk Caskey	Pool Maintenance	Lucas	11/24/18	10/26/18	
Sheet - Contract Management - Water District	ABC Store	Jane Taylor	Pool Supplies	Casey Olsen	11/19/18	10/21/18	
Sheet - Contract Management - Water District	Local Hardware	Lori Grimes	Park Maintenance	Lucas	11/25/18	09/26/18	
Sheet - Contract Management - Water District	ABC Store	Henry McNeal	Supplies	Jim Hammond	12/10/18	09/11/18	
Sheet - Contract Management - Water District	Dan HVAC	Alexandra Mattson	HVAC	Jane	11/24/18	10/26/18	
Sheet - Contract Management - Water District	Merry Maintenance	Kirk Caskey	Pool Maintenance	Lucas	11/19/18	10/21/18	

Learn more:

[Make Changes to an Existing Dashboard](#), [Viewing and Sharing a Dashboard](#), [Widget Types for Smartsheet Dashboards](#)

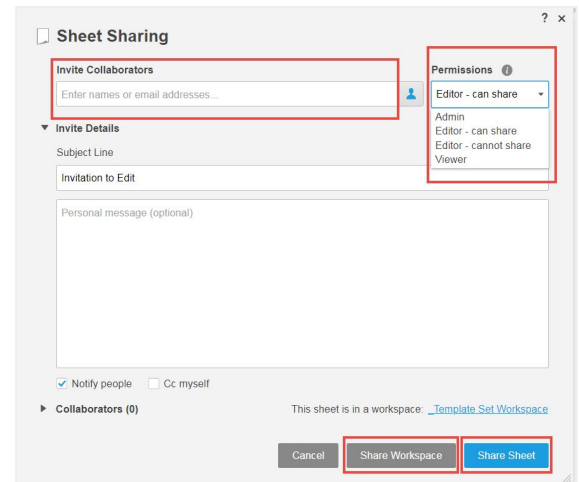
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Step 11:

Share your Contract Management Template Set

Sharing is the best way to collaborate with others involved in your contract management process. You can share your entire workspace with members of your department, or you can simply share individual items within the workspace. For more information on sharing and permission levels, check out this [infographic](#).



Learn more:

[Workspace Sharing](#)