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# **Cost Segregation**

### What is a cost segregation study?

A cost segregation study is a comprehensive analysis that carves out construction and/or acquisition costs of a new or existing building to assets other than the building. The primary goal of a cost segregation study is to identify building assets which can be depreciated at an accelerated rate using shorter depreciable lives.

#### What are the benefits?

- Accelerated income tax deductions
- Lower income tax rates
- Increased cash flow
- Potential reduction of real estate taxes

#### Allow your money to go to work for you now!

You can increase cash flow with faster depreciation deductions. Time value of money drives the benefits of a cost segregation study. A study increases your cash flow by accelerating tax depreciation deductions. The result? Pay less tax in the earlier years of a building's life, freeing excess cash for investment or capital expenditures.

#### Who can benefit?

Almost every business can benefit from a cost segregation study. Whether you are planning to construct a new facility, renovate an existing facility, or purchase existing real estate, a cost segregation study can save you money and positively impact your cash flow. Even leasehold improvements can qualify. In fact, any post-1986 real estate construction, building, or acquisition or improvement is eligible for savings.

## What kind of real estate qualifies?

- Apartment Buildings
- Auto Dealerships
- Banks
- Golf Courses
- Grocery Stores
- Hotels
- Manufacturing Facilities
- Medical Facilities
- Office Buildings
- Restaurants
- Retail Stores
- Warehouses

