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1. Enter annual sales first. Monthly sales will be determined after you have detemined the annual sales.
2. If you choose to do your forecast/budget at different sales levels, return to the sales forecast screen and change your sales forecast. NOTE: If you change the sales all expenses that have been entered as a \% of sales and their related cash flow will automatically update.

Sales by Month:

If you enter the prior years sales in column (1) the forecasted sales will be calculated in the same ratio as sales occured in the prior year.

## Sales Collections:

If you are using option 2 (collections consistent each month)
the program requires you to indicate the prior periods last 4 months sales. This is being done because the collections of those sales will occur in the forecast/budget period and must be accounted for. If you have entered prior years sales on the previous screen (sales by month), the last 4 months sales will automatically appear on the screen.

Sales Collections by Month:

There are several options avaiable:
a) You will be shown your sales collections equal each month. This is column (3).
b) If you enter the prior year's collections in column (1), the forecasted collections will be calculated in the same ratio as collections occured in the prior year and displayed in column (2).
c) You will be shown collections for the forecasted period as if they were collected consistently following the month of the sale. See column (4).

Professional Firms:

To forecast fees by staff person, use sales option No.3. Where the program calls for "product number" use your employee number. Where the program calls for "product name" use the employee's name.

Complete the balance of the program. Print the Sales by Product Spreadsheet. This is your forecast by staff person.

Forecasting Sales by Salesperson Selling a Single Product:
Use sales option No. 3 " Sale by Product "
Under "product number", enter the salesperson's employee number.
In the "product name," enter the salesperson's name. You can enter as many salespeople as you like. Complete the balance od the program.
After completion, print the Sales by Product spreadsheet. This is the forecast of the sales by salesperson.

Forecasting Sales by Salesperson Selling Several Products:
Use sales option No. 3 " Sale by Product "

You can use the procedure above for each product sold by the sales person or determine the approximate annual sales by salesperson in dollars. Divide the annual sales by 100. (For example: a salesperson will sell approximately $\$ 1,200,000$ for the year. $\$ 1,200,000 / 100=$ \$12,000.)

Use sales option No. 3 " Sale by Product "

In the "product number" enter the salespersons number. In the "product name," enter the salesperson's name.

In the sales price, enter the result of the sales divided by 100.
Then in each month under "units" enter the percent of the total sales the salesperson will make in each month. (For example: the salesperson will make 10\% of his/her sales in January and 5\% in February etc. Enter 10 in January and 5 in February.) Complete the balance of the year. Remember the total of the units should equal 100 (This is $100 \%$ of the salespersons annual sales).

Sales by Product/Cost of Goods Sold by Product:

All names, numbers and units sold entered in sales option No. 3 will appear in the Cost of Goods Sold program under option No.3.
Miscellaneous Income:

This menu allows the user to enter projected miscellaneous income.
Cost of Goods Sold:
a) When forecasting your cost of goods sold it is best to forecast on the high side.
b) Use all options available and then choose the one that is
best for your forecast.

Cost of Goods Sold Inventory Determination:

The beginning inventory will be the same inventory entered on your beginning balance sheet. If you have not entered a beginning balance sheet, enter your beginning inventory on the beginning balance sheet only.

The amount of inventory reflected in the last month of your year will be the same as the beginning inventory.
If you wish to change your ending inventory you must enter the inventory for ( all ) of the months of the year.

## Cost of Goods Sold - Cash Flow Payments:

When you enter the percentages asked for on the menu, they will work in the following manner for your forecast:
a) If you have chosen material, labor, overhead as your cost of goods sold option No.2, the percents chosen on this screen will apply to the material and overhead, not the labor. For cash flow forecasting, it is assumed that the labor will be paid 100\% in the month incurred.
b) If you choose a cost of goods sold option wherein material is a separate item (options No. 2 or No. 3), than the percent used for the payment will apply to purchases. The program will compute the purchases and apply the percent to the appropriate amount.
Multiple Years Forecast:

Up Your Cash Flow provides a program (Next Year Forecast) that automatically adjusts all elements of your forecast for an additional year. To forecast up to 99 years, follow these steps:
a) Complete a normal forecast using entity No. 1 or any other entity.
b) Copy the forecast (in (a) above) to any other entity. Let's say entity No.2. Use the (Copy (to) (from) a Diskette) program.
c) After the entity is copied into entity No.2, use the (Next Year Forecast) to create the second year. Thus entity No. 1 is year No. 1 and entity No. 2 is year No. 2 (year No. 1 adjusted).
d) Copy entity No. 2 to entity No.3. Use (Next Year Forecast) on entity No. 3 and entity No. 3 is now year No. 3 (year 2 adjusted).
e) Follow the procedure for as many years as you like.

Clean Up:
a) You can save employee names and numbers while removing all other data.
b) You can either save the expense and payroll titles you have edited or you can restore the preprogramed titles we have provided.

## Prepaid Expenses/Amortization:

a) Prepaid expenses will amortize over 12 months unless edited.
b) The prepaid expenditure (cash outlay) will appear on the Cash Flow forecast and the amortization will appear on the Profit and Loss forecast.

Expenses:
a) There are 126 preprogramed expense categories and 42 "user defined" categories.
b) (All) preprogramed expense titles can be changed to descriptions you choose.
c) After you have chosen the amount of your expense for forecasting purposes, you will be given several options for choosing your forecasted expense by month:

1) You will be shown your expense equal each month column (2).
2) You will be shown your expense as a percent of sales column (1).
3) If you don't like any of the above, you will be able to allocate your expense as you wish in column (3).
Payroll:
a) Each payroll screen will allow you several options for determining payroll. If you chose option No.4, you can forecast your payroll by entering up to 998 seperate employees for each of 4 departments listed on the payroll menu and print the results.
b) To exit option No. 4 (forecasting by employee) use ESC.

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Effect of Beginning Payables on Forecast:

The payment of the beginning accounts payable and accrued expenses
will impact the forecasted period. Therefore, it is necessary to enter the payment of the beginning accounts payable and accrued expenses.
Partner/Proprietor Draws:
Amounts entered in this section will be reflected in the forecast as follows:
a) Payments are reflected as cash outlays in the Cash Flow forecast.
b) There is no impact on the Profit and Loss forecast.
c) The draws will be reflected as a reduction of the net worth on the balance sheets.

## Equipment Purchases:

Equipment loans entered here will automatically be entered into the appropriate balance sheet calculations. It is not necessary to enter equipment loans in any other menu selection.

Amounts entered here must be amortized in the Term Loans/Amortization program.

Sale of Assets:
a) This menu is only to be used for the sale of property and equipment
b) The program will automatically calculate the gain or loss on the sale and enter this amount in the Profit and Loss forecast.
c) You can enter three methods of payment for the sale of an asset (cash payment, note receivable, payment of debt or any combination of the three).
d) To facillitate the use of this program have the following information avaiable:

1) Sales price of asset to be sold.
2) Estimated sales expense (commission, etc..).
3) The original cost of the asset and the total depreciation taken on the asset.
4) The anticipated method of payment.

Income Tax Expense/Estimated Tax Payments:
a) The program requires an effective tax rate.
b) This program will not compute income taxes using all of the tax law complexities. Income tax is only an estimate.
c) Once you have entered the tax rate, it is not necessary to change it, the income tax expense will automatically be adjusted to reflect any changes in the forecast.

Consolidation Menu

This menu consists of four separate programs:
a) Edit Consolidation Name, etc..
( This program allows the user to enter the name, fiscal period and the year of the consolidated entity.)
b) Create Consolidated Account Titles.
( This program allows the user to create a standard chart of accounts (account titles) for the entities that will be consolidated.)
c) Entities to Consolidate
( The program allows the user to consolidate up to 99 separate entities. Where indicated enter the numbers of the entities to to be consolidated. The program will automatically combine the entities.)
d) Consolidated Reports ( This program allows you to view the following reports: profit and loss; cash flow; balance sheets; ratios; graphics. The user can also use the clean up, printing, copy and ASCII menus for the consolidated reports.)
How to prepare more than one consolidated forecast:
a) Review Consolidation instructions.
b) After you have prepared your first consolidated forecast, copy the data to a diskette, label and store in a safe place.

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c) Make certain you have copied the consolidation. Then run the consolidated "Clean Up" program. This will remove the consolidation data only.
d) Return to the Consolidation Menu.
e) Select the "entities to consolidate" function.
f) Now consolidate any combination of entities.
g) Return to the Consolidation menu.
h) View your consolidated forecast.
i) Follow step b) above.
j) You now have two diskettes..each with a separate consolidated forecast.
k) Remember all of the data of each of the consolidated entities is still on your system.

Multiple Entities: Create, list, \& Consolidate
a) This menu selection displays the entities created and their respective names.
c) Use this program to call up any entity you previously created to enter or change data.
Use "Esc, Left Arrow, Right Arrow, Page Up, Page Down" to navigate Payroll Tax Expense:

Payroll tax expense will automatically update when the payroll expense accounts are changed. It is not necessary to re-enter the information this program calls for.

Depreciation:

Depreciation is a non-cash expense therefore, it will not appear on the cash flow forecast.

Term Loan/Amotization:

If you have entered equipment financing using the Purchase of Equipment program you must use this program to indicate the terms of the equipment loans for amortization.

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This program will automatically update when sales are changed.
Other Cash Receipts:
a) Invested funds will be shown as paid in capital for corporations and an increase to net worth for unincorporated entities.
b) Amortize all borrowed funds indicated here using the Term Loan Amortization program.

Note Recievable Amortization:

Enter the information asked for and the program will automatically amortize your notes receivable.

## Next Year Forecast:

a) This program will automatically update (all) programs. Please see "how this program updates the forecast"for details.
b) It is suggested that a copy of the original data entered be made before completing this program.

Creating a New Entity:
Enter in the space provided, the number of the entity you wish to create. Choose a number from 2-99. Entity number 1 is automatically created.

