

# Value-Added Safety



Integrate safety with your continuous process improvement strategy

Safety is much more than a cost and compliance strategy and should be treated as a value-added strategy within your organization. By leveraging lean thinking, workplace hazards can become process improvement opportunities that promote top-line growth – simultaneously improving productivity and quality, while also reducing worker safety and health risks.

Break down the barriers between safety and production functions in your organization by creating a collaborative value-added safety approach to problem solving.

- GaMEP will help you:
- Review workplace safety programs, processes, and records.
  - Identify and solve problems by implementing 6S Workplace Organization and Safety.
  - Learn and implement Value-Added Safety problem-solving skills, and align them with existing continuous process improvement strategy.
  - Integrate Value-Added Safety metrics to support daily visual management and problem solving programs.
  - Create a Value-Added Safety Strategy.

- By implementing a Value-Added Safety, you will:



*Increase Capacity*



*Reduce Downtime*



*Improve Safety*



*Sustain Improvements*

# Value-Added Safety in Action



## Golf Car Manufacturer Changes Traffic Patterns to Maximize Employee Safety

A continuous improvement manager for a Georgia golf cart manufacturer knew that an area for improvement in his plant was pedestrian and forklift traffic interface. By partnering with GaMEP and examining the improvement opportunity using safety-integrated process improvement, the company:

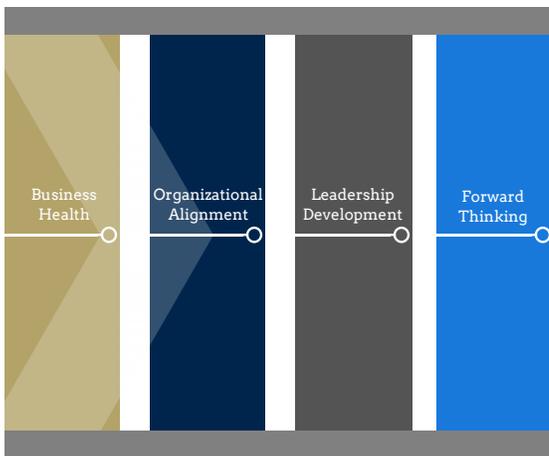
- Eliminated all non-value traffic from their receiving dock.
- Removed 95 percent of the non-material moving golf cars from their facility, saving approximately \$10,000 per year in maintenance, upkeep, and fuel.
- Reduced pedestrian-to-vehicle interface, diminishing the potential for recordable OSHA infractions and increasing safety for their employees.

## Why Work with GaMEP?

Our goals are simple and impactful:

- Understand the current state of your company.
- Learn about your future goals.
- Teach your team to utilize tools and strategies to meet the needs of your organization.
- Advance your company's competitiveness and ensure a sustainable future for manufacturing in Georgia.

Each of our services resides in one of the following four key strategic solutions pillars within the GaMEP Organizational Excellence framework:



The pillars are interconnected to maximize effectiveness. If you have multiple areas to address, request an Organizational Excellence assessment.

## What Sets GaMEP Apart

Each year, GaMEP works with more than 1,000 manufacturers to implement on-site projects, conduct training, and connect manufacturers to Georgia Tech resources and our partners throughout the state. We do this through:

- Federal and state funds that help offset the cost to Georgia manufacturers, making your investment more powerful.
- Access to locally based project managers that have years of experience developing and implementing best practices for manufacturers.
- Immediate and long-term solutions that increase top-line growth and reduce bottom-line costs throughout your organization.

Service areas include: process improvement, quality, robotics, business strategy, technology integration, ISO management systems, energy, sustainability, safety integration, and more.

See what all the "Buzz" is about.

## Connect with GaMEP



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