



Drake Arnold, PMP®, PMI-ACP®

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SR. PROJECT MANAGER & PMO LEADER

Strategic and driven professional that bridges the gap between project planning, strategy, and execution.

Insightful, solution-oriented Senior Project Manager with a proven track record of successfully leading complex, end-to-end IT projects, programs, and strategic initiatives that enhance organizational agility and performance. Leverages nuanced project management skills to steer multi-million-dollar initiatives, such as leading a \$3MM IT toolkit deployment that enhanced operational efficiency for over 1,200 employees and realizing \$200MM in potential cost savings from solar project investments. **Time-tested strategist and process improvement expert;** proven ability to navigate and improve complex workflows, ensuring 100% compliance with project timelines and budgets.



CORE COMPETENCIES

IT Project & Program Management • Project Planning • Technology & Solution Deployments • Systems Administration • Process Improvement & Optimization • Vendor Management • Analytical Problem Solver • Product Management • Relationship/Partnership Building • Cross-functional Collaboration • Fluent Spanish Speaker • Operations Management

Moss Construction • Fort Lauderdale, FL

One of the nation's largest general construction contractors with \$1.4B in annual revenue.

2022 to 2024

Senior Project Manager

Served as trusted advisor for two project teams (each with up to 40 employees) in a fast-paced, time-sensitive environment. Led efforts to improve productivity, reduce operating costs, and generate efficiency gains through IT and solution deployments. Ensured 100% compliance with scope, schedule, and budgetary constraints for each project.

- Key member of the \$2MM Procore evaluation, pilot, and deployment project; spearheaded efforts to implement and integrate leading-edge PM tools while driving full employee adoption/utilization.
 - Implemented new construction management software to streamline project completion times; enabled the registration of 50 projects (each with \$80-350MM budgets) on the platform.
 - Increased end-user efficiency and delivered time savings of up to 40%.
 - Successfully onboarded 500 internal employees and 4K+ external users.
- Leveraged a comprehensive toolkit (encompassing MS SharePoint, MS Office 365, JIRA, Confluence, and Procore) to streamline operational workflows as part of a \$1.25MM project.
- Heavily involved in a high-impact solar project which was expected to deliver ~\$200MM in total cost savings.
- Served as go-to resource and subject matter expert (SME) in the new Procore platform, successfully achieving the highest number of Procore certifications in the entire company.
- Served as Procore administrator, reducing costs by \$68K by eliminating the need to hire a dedicated administrator.

Organizational
Change Agent

Software
Deployment
Specialist

Technical
Problem Solver

Mentor, Coach
& Facilitator

Beacon Hill • West Palm Beach, FL

Beacon Hill is a nationwide staffing agency offering contract and permanent placement services.

2017 to 2022

Senior Project Manager, Florida Crystals

Planned, managed, and implemented seven Cloud projects with multi-million-dollar budgets to deploy state-of-the-art IT tools and technologies. Took ownership of key project phases – from scheduling to reporting, troubleshooting, SOW analysis, and milestone management. Built productive relationships with vendor teams and 10-15 internal stakeholders (including Marketing, HR, and Accounting staff), collaborating to ensure the quality of deliverables and streamline project cycles.

- Established an independent Project Management Office (PMO) from the ground up to standardize and unify team efforts.

- Developed standardized and scalable project management processes to reduce costs, mitigate risk, and minimize waste.
- Recognized with the 'Extraordinary Effort Award' and 'P360 Award' for outstanding contributions to project success.
- Led a \$3MM project to deploy a comprehensive IT toolkit (encompassing MS SharePoint, MS Excel, MS PowerPoint, Ariba, SAP S/4HANA, and Bubble PPM) used by over 1.2K employees across three facilities.
- Took charge of and completed the lagging \$1.7MM TPM project on schedule, employing a high-touch communication approach to overcome challenging pandemic conditions and remote work environments.
 - *Maintained productivity by intensifying communications between teams in Europe, South America, and the US.*
- Successfully delivered 100% of projects within established budgets and up to 20% ahead of schedule.

Cemex • Monterrey, Mexico

\$2.6B multinational manufacturer of cement, concrete, and aggregates operating in 50+ countries.

2012 to 2017

Project Manager

Managed a complex digital transformation project and various ad hoc projects in collaboration with multiple product teams, deploying leading-edge technologies and IT solutions to elevate organizational performance and ensure operational efficiency. Consistently researched, identified, and capitalized on process improvement opportunities via technology implementations.

- Key member of the Cemex project, assembling and rallying a top-tier team of IT professionals to deploy the Cemex Go Customer Experience Platform on a \$700K budget.
 - *Provided a highly differentiated customer experience by integrating Quote-to-Cash processes through internal and external web consoles.*
 - *Trained users in the new platform to maximize software adoption and utilization, providing them with a strong foundation in Cemex.*
- Served as Regional Infrastructure Project Manager, leading and supporting a team of 30 resources to execute 10 concurrent projects for the BSO team.
- Planned and executed a full data center migration, coordinated the Power and Resiliency initiative for Cemex plants, and deployed 4G backup connections to over 300 plants nationally on a \$16.4MM budget.
- Partnered with a US Program Manager to pilot and deploy two solutions developed in Mexico on a \$1.3MM budget.
- Compiled end-user feedback to identify pain points and product improvement opportunities, escalating to product teams and software developers to drive continuous product iterations.

"Gerardo was fundamental to the success of CEMEX GO for the US deployment. He arrived at the perfect time to manage an aggressive timeline and successfully fulfill the requirements of very upset internal customers. His skills and focus on details allowed us to prioritize and organize the team activities and turn around the backlog overflow. He was an indispensable asset, I'll have him on my team anytime and without hesitation!"

EDUCATION

FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY – BOCA RATON, FL
Executive MBA (EMBA)

UNIVERSIDAD DE MONTERREY – MONTERREY, MEXICO
Bachelor of Science (BS), Finance

CERTIFICATIONS

Project Management Professional, PMP® | Agile Certified Practitioner, PMI-ACP®

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Procure, SharePoint, PowerPoint, Teams, MS Project, Confluence, JIRA, Bubble PPM, Ariba, SQL Server

AWARDS

Spotlight Award (2024) | Extraordinary Effort Award (2019) | P360 Award (2018)

LANGUAGES

English (Fluent) | Spanish (Native)