

MERIDIAN AWARD Of Achievement WINNER
DALE GOBY 2004

Detroit Public Schools – receives \$500 for district scholarship fund -- for "Reducing Vehicle Maintenance in Detroit found itself with an aging bus fleet, increasing maintenance costs, and an irregular replacement schedule. Given the limited financial resources and the dim prospects for long-term funding, the district decided to purchase vehicles that would minimize maintenance costs and maximize their investment. Dale implemented a life-cycle costing approach to selecting options that, while increasing the initial cost of the bus by 25%, resulted in lower maintenance costs, increased safety features, and extended life for the bus up to 50%.