



Announcement Content Block Guide

Block Version: 2.0.0

Minimum Genesis Version: 2.0.0

Minimum Platform Version: 9.0.0

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Overview

The Announcement Content Block is a text box that allows designers to display important announcements to users. You can tailor the announcement text using parameters such as Users or User Groups, Time, Scenario, etc. This block is ideal for landing pages or home screens or can be embedded into a Dashboard alongside additional content.

Use Cases

- **System Announcements**
 - System maintenance
 - Upgrade window
 - Security or access information
- **Application Information**
 - Important Workflow due dates for Planning, Close, etc.
 - New Solutions installed or Project Go-Lives
 - Change management resources and/or instruction

Designer Page

On the designer page, you can select an **announcement image** from the Genesis image library; you may use one of the stock images or upload additional images to the library.

Enter an **announcement title**.

Enter your **announcement text** in the text box. This is the information that displays to the users. Leverage OneStream Parameters and/or Substitution Variables to make the announcement dynamic.

Syntax: ~|MyParameter|~ or ~SubstitutionVariable~

You can apply standard OneStream formatting to the announcement text such as text color and font size. These formatting options apply to the text only; they do not apply to the title.

Announcement Configuration

Announcement Image

Library_General_Black_AreaChart.png 

Announcement Title

Please Read:

Announcement Text

Welcome to the ~WFYear~ Planning Cycle.

Please reach out to John.Planner@planningmcplanner.com if you have any questions.

Use ~[MyParam]~ to designate your parameters and ~SubVariable~ to designate substitution variables

Text Color

XFMedium...

Font Size

20

Bold

True

False

Italic

True

False

Content Page

The content page displays how the announcement will look at run-time. Parameters and/or Substitution Variables will render when viewing from the content page.

 **Please read:**
Welcome to the 2025 Planning Cycle.
Please reach out to John.Planner@planningmcplanner.com if you have any questions.

Release Notes

Version 2.0.0

This major release introduces block upgradeability further strengthening content development and management. This capability is foundational to how Genesis content will evolve going forward.

Important Notes

Upgradeability is only available for blocks running version 2.0.0 or later. This feature is not retroactive Existing blocks on version 1.x must be migrated to 2.0.0 first. This is a one-time process. See *Content Block Upgrade Path* below for migration details.

Enhancements

Block Upgradeability

This block has been updated to fully support the new upgradeability framework introduced in Genesis 2.0.0. This ensures that the block can evolve over time without requiring pages to be rebuilt or configurations to be recreated.

1. Version Awareness

Blocks now report their version and indicate when a newer version is available. Administrators can see at a glance which pages are running older versions.

2. Compatibility Validation

Each block now includes version-to-version compatibility rules. During an upgrade, Genesis automatically checks whether content and configuration can be safely migrated.

3. Selective Upgrades

Identify and select specific blocks to upgrade on specific pages.

4. Configuration and Content Preservation

Upgrades carry forward existing filter settings, parameters, and layout configuration. Pages do not need to be rebuilt.

5. Force Upgrade

Provides an in-place replacement path that bypasses standard validation. This avoids a full manual reinject and reconfiguration, however configuration settings and generated artifacts may not be fully preserved.

- **Not all Content Blocks support Force Upgrade.** This section only appears in release notes for blocks that do. See the [Genesis Guide](#) for the complete list of blocks and feature details.
- Intended for Content Blocks whose current injected version predates Genesis 2.0.0
- Force Upgrade must be enabled in your Genesis instance and can only be executed by System and Application Administrators.

Content Block Upgrade Path

One-time Migration: Moving an Existing Block to Version 2.0

This process applies only to blocks currently on version 1.x. Follow these steps once to bring your existing block up to version 2.0.

Option A: Standard Migration *(recommended; always available)*

This process carries no risk of configuration loss. It is the recommended path for most blocks.

1. Create a new page and set its visibility to Hidden.
2. Inject and configure the 2.0.0 version of the block on this page.
3. Verify functionality to ensure the block behaves as expected.
4. Hide the original page and make the new page visible.
5. After end-user confirmation, delete the original block and page.

Option B: Force Upgrade *(admin only function; not available for all content blocks)*

Only use Force Upgrade when all of the following are true:

- You have invested heavily in content built with a first-generation (1.x) block.
- The effort to manually remove, reinject, and reconfigure the block is not acceptable.
- You have reviewed and accepted the risk that some configuration and generated artifacts may not carry over.

Note: If preserving your existing configuration is critical, use Option A instead.

Performing a Force Upgrade:

1. Confirm that this block appears in the list of supported blocks.
2. Enable Force Upgrade in your Genesis Instance under Library Management.
3. Execute via the Upgrade page located under Content Management (only administrators can execute a Force Upgrade).

Why is this still required for 2.0?

Block upgradeability is functionality built into the 2.0.0 block itself, this is not included in Blocks running on version 1.x. This is a one-time process.

Upgrading from 2.0.0 to Future Versions

Once a block is running version 2.0.0 or later, upgrades are handled directly within your Genesis Instance. Force upgrades and content reconfigurations will no longer be required.

Refer to the [Genesis Guide](#) for more details on the block upgrade process.

Platform and Genesis Compatibility

Genesis Version Requirement

Blocks at version 2.0.0 are only compatible with Genesis 2.0 or later.

Do not inject a 2.0.0 block into a solution running Genesis 1.x. The block will not function, and the upgradeability features will not be available.

Minimum Platform Version	9.0.0
Minimum Genesis Version	2.0.0

Version 1.1.0

This release focuses on providing more control and flexibility when styling the announcements, making them more visually appealing.

Enhancements

- **Announcement Title**
You can now give your announcement a title to display next to the image in the header.
- **Announcement Text Formatting**
Text formatting options were added: font color, size, bold, italics
This controls how your announcement text displays to the user.

Version 1.0.0

This marks the initial release of the block, introducing core functionality and capabilities.