

Agency 38 - Commission On The Status Of Women

Statutory Authority:

The Nebraska Commission on the Status of Women was created with the passage of LB819 in 1971 by the Nebraska Unicameral Legislature. The purpose of the commission, duties, and structure are outlined in the Nebraska Revised Statutes, Chapter 81, sections 8,255-8,261.

Vision Statement:

The Nebraska Commission on the Status of Women envisions a Nebraska in which women, their children and families achieve equity, economic security and reach their full potential.

Mission Statement:

The Nebraska Commission on the Status of Women will promote equity and economic security for all Nebraska women and their families by utilizing the tools of: legislative advocacy, research, citizen inquiry, education, recognition, publications, outreach and cost-effective partnerships.

Goals:

The Nebraska Commission on the Status of Women seeks to improve the capacity for all Nebraska women and families to achieve equity, justice and economic security. This is accomplished by empowering the Governor appointed commissioners to interface, interact and serve as conduits between state government policy, programs, and services to the citizen taxpayer. This is accomplished by providing an organized, researched, bi-partisan and professional advocacy voice for women who are not in the position to advocate for themselves. Further, we promote programs and services that will allow women to overcome barriers to their own increased economic self-sufficiency by partnering with organizations, agencies, individuals and groups to accomplish our goals with economic efficiency and increased effectiveness.

The following goals have been established: 1) Establish staffing mix to meet and exceed expectations; 2) Secure diversity of appointments to maintain the effectiveness of the Commission; 3) Focus program activities on WomEnomics (women and work issues); 4) Identify and provide information concerning polices that impact women; 5) Develop relationships with state agencies; 6) Assess the role and provide recommendations regarding direction, administration, utilization and fiscal support of the 501 (c)(3) Nebraska Women's Foundation; 7) Communication and Collaboration Strategy: Create foundation work within the commission that enhances and supports the commission.

Financial Data:

	Actual FY06	Approp FY07	Request FY08	Recom FY08	Request FY09	Recom FY09
General Fund	120,677	200,440	200,440	203,938	200,440	205,533
Cash Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Revolving Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
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Program 577 - Status Of Women

Program Objectives:

1. Identify and provide information concerning policies that impact NE women and families
2. Determine priority issues for Nebraska women and work and work-related areas
3. Define project criterion for participation
4. Determine project priorities
5. Commissioners will participate in programs, outreach and educational activities that serve the commission's goals, mission and vision.

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Performance Measures:

The NCSW compiles annual statistics for performance measurement. These statistics have included total number of information requests, publication distribution numbers, service and referral requests, meeting and seminar collaborations and presentations, speaking engagements, press releases initiated, legislative bills tracked, monitored and advocated for, committee participation and the requests for information, research and statistics. Further, commissioners report quarterly on successes, triumphs and efforts achieved in their own communities.