

Agency 054 - NEBRASKA STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

STATUTORY AUTHORITY:

Established in 1878, the Nebraska State Historical Society (NSHS) is charged in statute to collect, preserve and study Nebraska's history; so the people can know and use their heritage. Named a state institution in 1883 and an official state agency in 1994, the NSHS holds the state's historical resources in trust for the people.

Statutory authority for the NSHS, Nebraska Revised Statutes: 82-101 to 118; historical markers (82-201 to 206); records management (82-1212 to 1216); State Archives (84-1214.01 et. seq); historic preservation (82-118 and 77-201); archeology (82-503 et. seq., 82-712, 82-1201 et. seq., 12-1201 to 1212); cemetery registry (12-1401); Hall of Fame (72-728 to 729.01).

VISION:

Today, the NSHS operates in accordance with the strategic plan for the next four years, developed by its Board of Trustees and staff, with significant input from constituents statewide, approved by the Board 6-6-08.

The NSHS seeks to help all Nebraskans appreciate and understand the stories of our state and to provide access to resources that will promote inquiry, dialogue, and diversity of opinion to inform decisions facing us today.

The NSHS thus has a two-pronged vision: 1) Carry on its own mandated historical work, and 2) Enable everyone to develop their own stories of Nebraska and its people.

MISSION AND PRINCIPLES:

The NSHS collects, preserves, and opens to all the histories we share. These shared histories comprise the heritage of Nebraska and its people, the totality of traditions, laws, institutions, stories, and tangible items from the past that molds us into Nebraskans. NSHS Principles guide our work:

1. Preservation. Nebraska's past is our vital legacy. It requires preservation.
2. Public Service. In every sense, we work for all of the people of Nebraska.
3. Trust. We commit to the highest professional and personal standards to earn and retain the trust of the people.
4. Excellence. Good, useful history demands inquiry, dialogue, and diversity of opinion.

GOALS:

History can be fun; moreover, it is purposeful. Nebraska history promotes understanding of the present and is a tool for looking to the future. 2008 Strategic Plan areas:

Preserve Nebraska's Past

- Improve collecting, preserving, use of historical resources
- Upgrade collections
- Use new technologies

Share Nebraska's Past

- History education for all ages
- Connect people with their history

Document the Present to Inform the Future

- Conduct research
- Involve the public

Acquire and Use Resources

- Obtain dollars
- Maximize staff potential

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Financial Data

	FY08 Actual	FY09 Approp	FY10 Request	FY10 Recomm	FY11 Request	FY11 Recomm
Operations Funding						
General Fund	4,036,230	4,514,311	5,038,936	4,514,311	5,120,863	4,514,311
Cash Fund	782,997	1,652,380	1,693,184	1,652,380	1,731,396	1,652,380
Federal Fund	934,733	679,857	727,542	679,857	736,953	679,857
Revolving Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Operations	5,753,959	6,846,548	7,459,662	6,846,548	7,589,212	6,846,548
Aid Funding						
General Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cash Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Fund	299,123	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000
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Program 648 - NE STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION:

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PROGRAM OBJECTIVES:

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NSHS programs:

- Contribute to economic well-being of the Cornhusker State by helping to produce interested and educated youth who want to remain Nebraskans.
- Support economic development in both urban and rural areas through community preservation, reuse of important buildings and places and promoting the desirability of rural life and heritage tourism.
- Enable users to study the past, seeking history of personal importance, a vocational interest and insight for understanding how the present has been influenced by those who have come and are now gone.
- Preserve records, voices, objects, buildings, landscapes which define us today as Nebraskans and which will continue to influence this state and its people for generations.
- Offer insights into the compassion of the people of Nebraska in past times of trouble, disaster, and crises of national and local scope that set an example for today and tomorrow.

NSHS 2008 strategic plan major areas approved by the Board of Trustees:

- 1) Preserve Nebraska's Past
 - Improve collecting, preserving, use of historical resources
 - Upgrade collections
 - Use new technologies
- 2) Share Nebraska's Past
 - History education for all ages
 - Promote Nebraska history
 - Connect people with their history
- 3) Document the Present to Inform the Future
 - Do research
 - Involve the public
- 4) Acquire and Use Resources
 - Obtain dollars
 - Maximize staff potential

PERFORMANCE MEASURES:

- 1) Administration: Leads, secures, and administers resources to accomplish mission.
- 2) Research/Publications: Delivers research through many media.
- 3) Museum: Gathers & interprets artifacts for broad public access to our past.
- 4) Historic Sites: Educates via historic artifacts & places at 7 venues.
- 5) Archeology: Explores, interprets, saves Nebraska's unwritten past.
- 6) Ford Conservation Center: Conserves historic & cultural objects, does preservation education.
- 7) Skeletal Remains: Aids law enforcement on unidentified remains.
- 8) State Historic Preservation Office: State/federal partnership for historic buildings.

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