

Agency 071 - STATE ENERGY OFFICE

STATUTORY AUTHORITY:

The State Energy Office was created in 1977 by the Legislature as a code agency with a stipulation that the Agency could be moved into another agency by Executive Order. In 1987, by Executive Order, the Energy Office became a division of the Policy Research Office (PRO). In 1991, both the Energy Office and PRO became divisions of the Governor's Office. On July 1, 2008, the Governor elevated the Energy Office to a code agency and appointed its director who serves in the Governor's cabinet.

The Agency's statutory duties are outlined in Neb. Rev. Stat. §81-1601 through §81-1641.

VISION:

The vision of the Nebraska Energy Office is for Nebraskans to have reliable and affordable sources of energy that support a cleaner environment and a more secure energy future.

MISSION AND PRINCIPLES:

The mission of the Nebraska Energy Office is to promote the efficient, economic and environmentally-responsible use of energy.

The Agency's principles are that it values teamwork, is consumer oriented, and is committed to excellence, creativity and innovation.

GOALS:

1. Maximize the efficient use of traditional energy resources.
2. Encourage Nebraskans to adopt energy efficiency through low cost financing.
3. Encourage the development and use of renewable energy resources.
4. Advise the executive and legislative branches of state government on energy policy and security.

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Financial Data

	FY08 Actual	FY09 Approp	FY10 Request	FY10 Recomm	FY11 Request	FY11 Recomm
Operations Funding						
General Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cash Fund	347,599	426,087	426,087	418,850	426,087	411,079
Federal Fund	913,973	1,071,188	1,001,659	967,331	1,040,812	967,331
Revolving Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Operations	1,261,573	1,497,275	1,427,746	1,386,181	1,466,899	1,378,410
Aid Funding						
General Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cash Fund	0	250,000	1,250,000	1,250,000	1,250,000	1,250,000
Federal Fund	4,684,446	7,240,902	5,120,550	5,120,550	5,081,397	5,081,397
Revolving Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Aid Funding	4,684,446	7,490,902	6,370,550	6,370,550	6,331,397	6,331,397
Total Funding						
General Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cash Fund	347,599	676,087	1,676,087	1,668,850	1,676,087	1,661,079
Federal Fund	5,598,420	8,312,090	6,122,209	6,087,881	6,122,209	6,048,728
Revolving Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Agency	5,946,019	8,988,177	7,798,296	7,756,731	7,798,296	7,709,807

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Program 106 - ENERGY OFFICE

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION:

The Energy Office provides information and opportunities to Nebraskans to make cost effective energy efficiency and renewable energy improvements in buildings in the public, residential, commercial, agricultural and industrial sectors; provides technical assistance to Nebraskans on energy related projects and activities; provides education and information activities; fosters development of renewable energy production in the State; monitors fuel prices and supplies and addresses fuel shortages or distribution problems.

PROGRAM OBJECTIVES:

1. Assist Nebraskans to make cost-effective, energy efficient/renewable energy improvements in new and existing buildings
2. Provide access to reduced interest loans for energy efficiency improvements to homes, buildings and systems
3. Participate in the 41-member Governors' Ethanol Coalition
4. Further development of the state's wind and biomass resources
5. Help identify and prioritize green actions which the State can implement to improve energy efficiency and reduce operational costs
6. Monitor energy prices and supplies and update the Nebraska Energy Assurance Plan
7. Collect and publish up-to-date energy statistics

PERFORMANCE MEASURES:

1a. Weatherize homes of low-income; 1b. Produce and distribute a newsletter, an annual report, and maintain Agency website; 1c,d. Provide technical assistance to builders, homeowners and code officials on the *Nebraska Energy Code*, the *Nebraska Certified Green Build Program* and other energy related projects; 2. Provide Nebraskans access to reduced interest loans for energy efficiency; 3. Increase the use of ethanol; 4. Foster the development of the State's wind and biomass resources; 5. Participate in Administrative Services' Green Committee activities; 6. Monitor fuel prices and supplies; 7. Annually update the *Nebraska Energy Assurance Plan* and the *Nebraska Energy Statistics*.

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Financial Data

	FY08 Actual	FY09 Approp	FY10 Request	FY10 Recomm	FY11 Request	FY11 Recomm
Operations Funding						
General Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cash Fund	325,065	395,897	395,897	388,660	395,897	380,889
Federal Fund	913,973	1,071,188	1,001,659	967,331	1,040,812	967,331
Revolving Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Operations	1,239,038	1,467,085	1,397,556	1,355,991	1,436,709	1,348,220
Aid Funding						
General Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cash Fund	0	250,000	1,250,000	1,250,000	1,250,000	1,250,000
Federal Fund	4,684,446	7,240,902	5,120,550	5,120,550	5,081,397	5,081,397
Revolving Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Aid Funding	4,684,446	7,490,902	6,370,550	6,370,550	6,331,397	6,331,397
Total Funding						
General Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cash Fund	325,065	645,897	1,645,897	1,638,660	1,645,897	1,630,889
Federal Fund	5,598,420	8,312,090	6,122,209	6,087,881	6,122,209	6,048,728
Revolving Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Program	5,923,485	8,957,987	7,768,106	7,726,541	7,768,106	7,679,617

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Program 107 - SCHOOL WEATHERIZATION

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION:

The state-funded School Weatherization Loan Program sunset on June 30, 1996. The Energy Office is responsible for collecting the outstanding loan amounts and depositing the funds, minus collection costs, in the state General Fund. As of June 30, 2008, a total of \$837,368.38 remains to be collected. The last loan repayment is scheduled to be made in 2011.

PROGRAM OBJECTIVES:

To collect loan repayments on scheduled payment dates.

PERFORMANCE MEASURES:

Effective performance would be measured by the collection of outstanding loans.

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	FY08 Actual	FY09 Approp	FY10 Request	FY10 Recomm	FY11 Request	FY11 Recomm
Operations Funding						
General Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cash Fund	22,534	30,190	30,190	30,190	30,190	30,190
Federal Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Revolving Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Operations	22,534	30,190	30,190	30,190	30,190	30,190
Aid Funding						
General Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
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
Total Aid Funding	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Funding						
General Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cash Fund	22,534	30,190	30,190	30,190	30,190	30,190
Federal Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Revolving Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Program	22,534	30,190	30,190	30,190	30,190	30,190