

Agency 071 - STATE ENERGY OFFICE

STATUTORY AUTHORITY:

The Nebraska State Energy Office was created in 1977 with the passage of LB 232. The Nebraska State Energy Office statutory authority is outlined in Nebraska Revised Statutes §81-1601 through §81-1641.

VISION:

The vision of the Nebraska State Energy Office is to provide leadership that maximizes the benefits of energy efficiency and renewable energy through communication, outreach, technology, and partnerships.

MISSION AND PRINCIPLES:

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

GOALS:

1. Expand opportunities to implement energy efficient projects through partnerships and collaborations.
2. Develop and administer programs that promote efficient uses of energy resources in everyday lives.
3. Support economic development activities including sustaining existing state businesses and attracting new energy investment to the state.
4. Support a broad energy portfolio that meets the state's energy needs in a reliable, clean, cost effective manner and integrates renewable options.
5. Continue the compilation and analysis of energy statistics and information that identify emerging trends related to energy supply, demand and conservation.
6. Provide objective perspectives on energy policy to the public and elected officials.

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Financial Data

	FY12 Actual	FY13 Approp	FY14 Request	FY14 Recomm	FY15 Request	FY15 Recomm
Operations Funding						
General Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cash Fund	270,337	403,842	403,842	407,934	403,842	412,123
Federal Fund	4,158,914	1,388,952	1,388,952	1,416,691	1,388,952	1,445,058
Revolving Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Operations	4,429,251	1,792,794	1,792,794	1,824,625	1,792,794	1,857,181
Aid Funding						
General Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cash Fund	184,411	1,250,000	1,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000
Federal Fund	32,619,849	6,349,656	6,349,656	6,349,656	6,349,656	6,349,656
Revolving Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Aid Funding	32,804,261	7,599,656	7,349,656	7,349,656	7,349,656	7,349,656
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General Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cash Fund	454,748	1,653,842	1,403,842	1,407,934	1,403,842	1,412,123
Federal Fund	36,778,763	7,738,608	7,738,608	7,766,347	7,738,608	7,794,714
Revolving Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Agency	37,233,512	9,392,450	9,142,450	9,174,281	9,142,450	9,206,837

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PROGRAM DESCRIPTION:

The Nebraska Energy Office receives state cash funds pursuant to section 57-705, the Severance Tax Fund, for administration of sections 81-1601 to 81-1607. A short summary of these activities include:

- Collection of energy data, statistics and assessment of trends
- Dollar and Energy Saving Loan Program
- Energy efficiency building code standards
- Emergency allocation plan

The Nebraska Energy Office provides oversight, administration and technical support for several annually federally funded programs:

- Weatherization Assistance Program
- State Energy Program
- U.S. Department of Energy Special Projects
- State Heating Oil and Propane Program

More details can be found in the supporting information section.

PROGRAM OBJECTIVES:

1. Maintain a central repository for the collection, compilation and analysis of energy data and statistics.
2. Weatherize homes for low-income Nebraskans
3. Become a leader in energy efficiency building code initiatives increasing the adoption and compliance with building code standards
4. Design and implement energy efficiency programs and remove market barriers to energy efficient investments
5. Provide financing options for energy efficiency improvements
6. Energy assurance planning
7. Monitor price and regional supply trends

PERFORMANCE MEASURES:

The attached performance measure spreadsheet outlines the benefits produced by Energy Office programs and activities and is divided into the following categories with specific measures evaluated.

1. Dollar and Energy Saving Loan Program
2. Nebraska Energy Code
3. Agency Communication
4. Energy Information Reporting
5. Weatherization Assistance Program
6. State Energy Program
7. Partnership activities
8. University Project Partnership
9. Energy Assurance
10. Qualified Energy Conservation Bonds

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11. Federal Grant Applications
12. Natural Gas Fuel Board Activities
13. State Heating Oil and Propane Program Activities
14. Fuel Supply Activities

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