

Agency 054 - STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

STATUTORY AUTHORITY:

The Nebraska State Historical Society was formally founded in 1878, made a state institution in 1883 and an official state agency in 1994. Per statute, Nebraska State Historical Society collects, preserves, studies, and shares Nebraska's history, holding the state's historical resources in trust to benefit all (NRS 82-101 to 82-118), historical markers (NRS 82-201 to 82-206), records management (NRS 82-1212 to 82-1216), State Archives (NRS 84-1214.01 et. seq), historic preservation (NRS 82-118 and 77-201), archeology (NRS 82-503 et. seq., 82-712, 82-1201 et. seq., 12-1201 to 12-1212), cemetery registry (NRS 12-1401), and Nebraska Hall of Fame (NRS 72-728 to 72-729.01).

VISION:

Knowledge of history is an essential requirement for planning for the future. Nebraska shall be a state where curious people study history, respect insights from the past, and use historical materials to create a better future. Nebraska State Historical Society's programs support education, a knowledgeable workforce trained in critical thinking, economic development through the reuse of historic buildings, and tourism through a statewide network of attractions. The Nebraska State Historical Society operates in accordance with a strategic plan approved by the Board of Trustees in January 2017.

MISSION AND PRINCIPLES:

Nebraska State Historical Society collects, preserves, and opens to all the histories we share.

Guiding Principles:

- Preservation: Nebraska's past is our vital legacy; it must be preserved
- Public Service: Work for all the people of Nebraska
- Trust: The highest professional and personal standards earn and retain the people's trust
- Excellence: Good, useful history demands inquiry, dialogue, and diversity of opinion
- Relevance: History offers practical guidance for contemporary and future decisions
- Progress: History done well supports economic development.

GOALS:

Nebraska State Historical Society has five strategic plan goals:

1. Grow our Audiences
2. Increase Access to Collections.
3. Grow Financial Sustainability
4. Expand Outreach and Engagement
5. Increase Teamwork and Accountability

All of these goals are interrelated and interlocking. All of them must work together in order for the organization to realize its vision.

In April 2018 the organization changed its public name from the Nebraska State Historical Society to History Nebraska.

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Financial Data

	FY18 Actual	FY19 Approp	FY20 Request	FY20 Recomm	FY21 Request	FY21 Recomm
Operations Funding						
General Fund	4,076,064	4,312,111	4,515,151	4,412,616	4,611,134	4,473,814
Cash Fund	1,649,199	3,112,778	3,148,923	3,138,762	3,182,043	3,159,356
Federal Fund	622,023	727,799	737,173	735,711	745,375	741,892
Revolving Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Operations	6,347,285	8,152,688	8,401,247	8,287,089	8,538,552	8,375,062
Aid Funding						
General Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cash Fund	23,532	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Fund	92,152	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000
Revolving Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Aid Funding	115,684	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000
Total Funding						
General Fund	4,076,064	4,312,111	4,515,151	4,412,616	4,611,134	4,473,814
Cash Fund	1,672,731	3,112,778	3,148,923	3,138,762	3,182,043	3,159,356
Federal Fund	714,174	827,799	837,173	835,711	845,375	841,892
Revolving Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Agency	6,462,969	8,252,688	8,501,247	8,387,089	8,638,552	8,475,062