

Dear Colleagues,

Earlier this week Administrative Services published our annual [Sustainability Report](#) as well as the [2024 Annual Report](#).

The Sustainable Nebraska Report discusses how we have fully incorporated sustainable practices within daily operations and are achieving efficiencies for taxpayers and our agency customers. We have four enduring areas of focus to advance best practices in our programming: transportation, state buildings, waste reduction, and procurement. A key highlight from this year's report is our progress on more efficient energy utilization. Over the past year, we have reduced our energy consumption by 8.5% which has saved taxpayers almost \$3.9 million.

In the Annual Report, we highlight the great successes across all DAS divisions. Although we are only three quarters of the way into the calendar year, we have already accomplished a lot that is deserving of celebration. We continue to deliver on Governor Pillen's mission to save taxpayer money and improve services for all Nebraskans. Under the Governor's leadership, we have moved beyond focusing on other governmental entities and now work across the whole of government to serve our citizens as the ultimate customers of our services. Some of our key achievements this year included:

- State Accounting earned recognition for Excellence in State Accounting from the Government Finance Officers Association for the 2023 Annual Comprehensive Finance Report.
- Materiel Division completed comprehensive reform of our procurement system with the passage of the State Procurement Act and the revision of the Procurement Manual.
- Personnel Division expanded opportunities to hire veterans through the Partnership for Your Success program.
- Building Division saved taxpayers \$18M through strategic decisions related to our real estate strategy.
- The IT Systems Analyst team partnered with State Accounting to upgrade our financial system. The project was completed on time and under budget.

These are just a few high-profile examples of our team's success so far this year. We have a great team of talented public servants in Administrative Services and the agency has never been more trusted to deliver quality service to our stakeholders in other agencies and our customers throughout Nebraska. As we finish up 2024 and look ahead to 2025, we will continue to be laser-focused on efficiency, while also innovating to improve services.

Congratulations to the entire team for a job well done!

Regards,

**Jason Jackson**

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