## Agency 052 - STATE BOARD OF AGRICULTURE

## **STATUTORY AUTHORITY:**

The Nebraska Statutes section 2-101 through Section 2-130 deals with the Nebraska State Board of Agriculture. Section 2-101 reads in part: "...State Fair shall be held at or near the city of Lincoln, in Lancaster County, under the directions and supervision of the State Board of Agriculture..."

In 2008 the Nebraska Legislature enacted LB 1116, which permanently located the Nebraska State Fair within the City of Grand Island on land owned by the Hall County Livestock Improvement Association also known as Fonner Park.

## **VISION:**

The Nebraska State Fair Board is the official title of the "agency" as established by Nebraska Statutes. The Board is essentially a nonprofit corporation established by State Statute.

The primary function of this organization centers on the state's major annual event, the Nebraska State Fair. In 2013, Nebraska will celebrate the 144th Nebraska State Fair. It is the premiere, annual celebration of Nebraska. The Fair showcases our citizens, traditions, education, experiences, customs, and heritage.

## **MISSION AND PRINCIPLES:**

Mission State - through participation, the Nebraska State Fair educates, entertains and showcases achievements of Nebraskans by sharing diverse cultures reflecting our State pride.

## **GOALS:**

Goals for organization can be grouped into the following main topics:

- Support and promote Agriculture in the State of Nebraska.
- Support and promote Education in the State of Nebraska.
- Support and promote Entertainment in the State of Nebraska.
- Support and promote Tourism in the State of Nebraska.

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#### FY12 Actual FY13 Approp **FY14 Request FY14 Recomm FY15 Request** FY15 Recomm **Operations Funding** General Fund Cash Fund Federal Fund Revolving Fund Other Fund **Total Operations** Aid Funding General Fund Cash Fund 3,450,499 2,500,000 2,500,000 2,500,000 2,500,000 2,500,000

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**Financial Data** 

Federal Fund

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**Total Funding**General Fund

Cash Fund

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# Agency 052 - STATE BOARD OF AGRICULTURE Program 694 - FAIR SUPPORT & IMPROVEMNT

## **PROGRAM DESCRIPTION:**

In 2004 Nebraska voters approved Amendment 4, which amended the constitution of the State of Nebraska to permit the Nebraska State Fair Board to become a benefactor of the proceeds from the Nebraska Lottery. This program enables the transfer of Nebraska Lottery proceeds to the Nebraska State Fair Board.

### **PROGRAM OBJECTIVES:**

In 2004, Nebraska voters approved Amendment 4, which amended the constitution of the State of Nebraska to permit the Nebraska State Fair Board to become a benefactor of the proceeds from the Nebraska Lottery. This program enables the transfer of Nebraska Lottery proceeds to the Nebraska State Fair Board. These proceeds were used to partially fund the construction of the new facilities in Grand Island and will be used to make future improvements to the grounds and facilities. In addition to funds generated by our fair operations, the Lottery funds are used for the operations of the Nebraska State Fair.

## **PERFORMANCE MEASURES:**

Each year during the Nebraska State Fair, an independent vendor conducts an electronic survey on the grounds. Historically, these surveys are completed by over eleven thousand fairgoers. Various aspects of the Nebraska State Fair are rated by fairgoers, with the key overall satisfaction rating ranging from the mid-eighties to the mid nineties. The Executive Summary of the 2012 survey has been filed with the Budget Division.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR: JOSEPH MCDERMOTT** 

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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	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
<b>Total Operations</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0
Aid Funding						
General Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cash Fund	3,450,499	2,500,000	2,500,000	2,500,000	2,500,000	2,500,000
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	3,450,499	2,500,000	2,500,000	2,500,000	2,500,000	2,500,000
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General Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cash Fund	3,450,499	2,500,000	2,500,000	2,500,000	2,500,000	2,500,000
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	3,450,499	2,500,000	2,500,000	2,500,000	2,500,000	2,500,000