

Agency 058 - BOARD OF ENGINEERS AND ARCHITECTS

STATUTORY AUTHORITY:

The Engineers and Architects Regulation Act, Nebraska Revised Statutes §§ 81-3401 to 81-3455, was established to govern the practices of engineering and architecture in the State of Nebraska.

The Engineers and Architects Regulation Act (E&A Act) was passed by the Nebraska Legislature in 1997 and became effective January 1, 1998, replacing statutory provisions first passed in 1937. It is based on national model laws prepared by the National Council of Examiners for Engineering and Surveying (NCEES) and the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards (NCARB). The E&A Act was last updated by LB 45 on August 27, 2011.

Rules and Regulations of the Board (Title 110, NAC) enable administration of the E&A Act and were last updated on December 7, 2011.

VISION:

The Board of Engineers and Architects is the leader in safeguarding the life, health, property and the public welfare of the people of Nebraska with respect to the practices of engineering and architecture.

MISSION AND PRINCIPLES:

The mission of the Board of Engineers and Architects is to:

- Assure the education, experience, and examination of those who practice engineering and architecture qualifies them to serve the public,
- Ensure the enforcement of Nebraska statutes through education and enforcement, and
- Provide quality, efficient, and responsive regulatory services.

The Vision and Mission statements were revised during a Board strategic planning retreat on January 31, 2003. They have been reviewed and confirmed at subsequent strategic planning sessions.

GOALS:

In support of its mission, vision, and principles, the Board identified these specific issues for the 2013-2015 Biennium:

- Improve the Board's ability and means to communicate with licensees and professional organizations through various media
- Study practice issues facing licensees, stakeholders, and the public and analyze their impacts on public health and safety.
- Provide quality services to applicants, examinees, licensees, regulated firms, interested stakeholders, and the citizens of Nebraska
- Support NCEES 2014 Western/Central Zone Meeting activities

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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	578,488	695,816	706,077	701,408	695,817	708,872
Federal Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Revolving Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
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Program 082 - ENF OF STDS-ENG & ARCHITECTS

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION:

The Board of Engineers and Architects objectives for 2011-2013 biennium include:

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- Ensuring the enforcement of Nebraska statutes through education and enforcement, and
- Providing quality and responsive regulatory services.

PROGRAM OBJECTIVES:

Desired Results:

- Protect the public and increase awareness of safety issues in the built environment
- Maintain strong Act
- Minimize complaints on licensed and unlicensed practice, and
- Improve administrative effectiveness

Strategies:

- Increase public awareness campaign in print and on the web
- Expand Act protection to underserved areas
- Improve compliance processes
- Increase communication with partner agencies
- Train competent and efficient staff
- Continue to develop database, and
- Increase the use of office technology

PERFORMANCE MEASURES:

The Board of Engineers and Architects analyzes various performance measures to measure successful fulfillment of the Board's mission, vision, principles, and regulatory responsibilities.

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