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By _____
SECRETARY OF STATE

EXECUTIVE ORDER 92-1
NEBRASKA DEVELOPMENT NETWORK

1.0 Establishment. The Governor of the State of Nebraska through Executive Order 92-1 hereby establishes the Nebraska Development Network (hereafter the "Network"). The Network is Nebraska's economic development organizations working together to create and support community based economic development.

2.0 Purpose. The goal of the Network is communities, businesses and citizens that succeed in a global economy. The purpose of the Network shall be to create and support, throughout Nebraska, community and regional development capacity that: (1) Recognizes local responsibility for shaping the community and region's economic future; (2) Generates and focuses public resources on effective actions that help communities and businesses to grow and prosper; and (3) Encourages public-private partnering thereby leveraging limited public resources through private investment. The Network shall be enterprise focused, and community and regionally based, with support from local, regional, state, and federal public and private resources.

3.0 Charge. The Network is vested with the following charges;

3.1 To empower communities to initiate and plan their own economic futures by providing them with comprehensive information about the principles of community and economic development.

3.2 To provide communities with more accessible, coherent, efficient, and effective services through the cooperative, voluntary efforts of member providers.

3.3 To increase the resources directed towards economic development by building support within communities.

3.4 To expand the leadership base in communities and to train leaders in the concepts of "entrepreneurial communities" -- strategic planning, community development and effective economic development strategies.

3.5 To strive for longevity with this program by achieving consensus among Network members, state government leaders and communities regarding the economic concepts fundamental to the "vision" that is the framework of the Network as stated in Sections 1.0 and 2.0.

4.0 Powers. The Network, through the Department of Economic Development, is vested with the power to facilitate coordination among Nebraska's public and private development resources.

5.0 Governance.

5.1 Lead Agency. The Nebraska Department of Economic Development shall be the lead agency in coordinating the activities of the Nebraska Development Network.


5.2 Network Director. The Director of the Nebraska Department of Economic Development shall also serve as the Director of the Nebraska Development Network.

5.3 The Network Forum. The Chairperson of the Nebraska Development Network shall, in consultation with the Director of the Network, create an advisory council, the Network Forum, to guide the formation and operation of the Network. Development entities officially affiliating through Memorandums of Understanding with the Network will be entitled to representation on the Forum. The Forum will be responsible for strategic planning, resource organization, service development, and program evaluation. The Forum may create additional organizations that enable it to function effectively.

5.4 Network Forum Chairperson. The Lieutenant Governor of the State of Nebraska shall serve as the Chairperson of the Network Forum. The Chairperson may appoint vice-chairpersons as appropriate.

5.5 Administrative & Technical Support. Administrative and technical support shall be provided to the Network by the Nebraska Department of Economic Development, the Nebraska Department of Labor, the Nebraska Department of Agriculture, the Nebraska Department of Administrative Services, the Nebraska Rural Development Commission, and other state agencies as deemed appropriate by the Governor.

Given under my hand and the Executive Seal of the State of Nebraska on the 27th day of January, 1992.


E. BENJAMIN NELSON
Governor

Attest:


ALLEN J. BEERMANN
Secretary of State

