



2025 Public Policy Agenda

1. Monitor State and Federal legislation

- Monitor changes in the federal legislation (ie tax code, Department of Labor) to determine how it may impact the nonprofit sector
- Support actions to preserve and protect the tax-exempt status of nonprofits and promote policies that strengthen the nonprofit economy
- Educate the public on Public Service Loan Forgiveness (PSLF)
- Support charitable giving incentives at the federal and state level
- Monitor legislation in Nebraska that may benefit or harm nonprofit organizations and take appropriate action

2. Balanced State and Federal Fiscal Policy

- Provide adequate support for public programs which are widely supported by our communities
- Support levels of resources for quality of life and public infrastructure which are necessary for the long-term economic growth and health of the nation and the state of Nebraska, and nonprofits that serve our communities
- Avoid undue hardships on the most vulnerable residents of our communities when developing the state budget in Nebraska
- Standardize the application and reporting procedures associated with state grants to nonprofits for vital community services to minimize the burden on nonprofits and encourage cooperation between state agencies

3. Nonprofit's Economic Impact

- Inform elected officials and others on the economic impact of nonprofits. NAM's Economic Impact Report – illustrates how vital nonprofits are to our communities and that Nebraskans benefit from community based nonprofits
- Utilize NAM's Annual Salary and Benefit Report - to reaffirm nonprofits are employers and promote employment policies that take into consideration the unique circumstances of nonprofit organizations

4. Support Nonpartisan Civic Engagement Efforts

- Promote democracy, civic education, civic participation, and voting year-round
- Engage and partner on Get Out the Vote (GOTV) and voter registration campaigns to ensure that nonprofits and their constituents understand the importance of voting, including encouraging time off around local, state, and federal elections
- Hold candidate forums for state level races to help inform the next group of leaders around the importance of nonprofits and their communities

5. Support and Advocate to Strengthen Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion in Social and Fiscal Policy

- Support inclusive public policies that include the voices of those who have been historically underrepresented or marginalized through alliances and partnerships with other BIPOC/diverse lead nonprofit organizations
- Promote equitable economic and workplace practices for nonprofits

Purpose of Committee: OBJ

Monitors and recommends action on public policy issues which impact the nonprofit community based upon the policy agenda approved annually by the Board. Helps educate policymakers and others about the work and impact of nonprofits; the agenda fits specific policy goals into a consistent broader context. This committee positions NAM to be the collective voice representing nonprofits of all sizes and missions.