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**AT A GLANCE**

- License more than 12,000 peace officers and part-time peace officers.
- Certify the Professional Peace Officer Education programs at 29 colleges and universities.
- Conduct law enforcement agency compliance reviews.
- Monitor complaints of allegations of misconduct.
- The POST Board serves more than 430 law enforcement agencies, 29 colleges and universities, legislators and Governor’s office, local elected officials, other state agencies, and special interest groups, individual citizens and the media.

**PURPOSE**

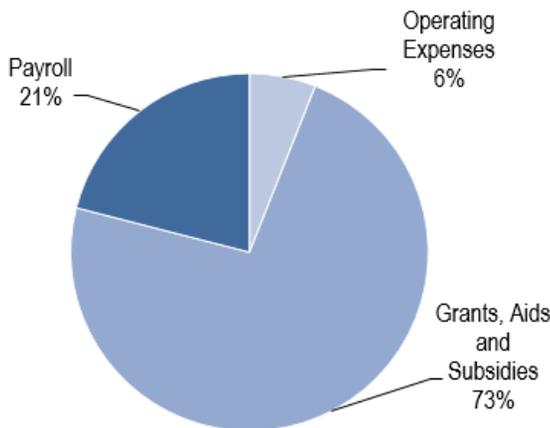
The mission of the Minnesota Board of Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST Board) is to advance the professionalism of Minnesota’s peace officers by adopting and regulating education, selection, licensing and training standards. Established in 1978 by M.S. 626.84, the purpose of the POST Board is to regulate and enhance the profession of law enforcement throughout the state of Minnesota.

The POST Board supports the following statewide outcomes.

- Minnesotans have the education and skills needed to achieve their goals
- People in Minnesota are safe
- Efficient and accountable government services

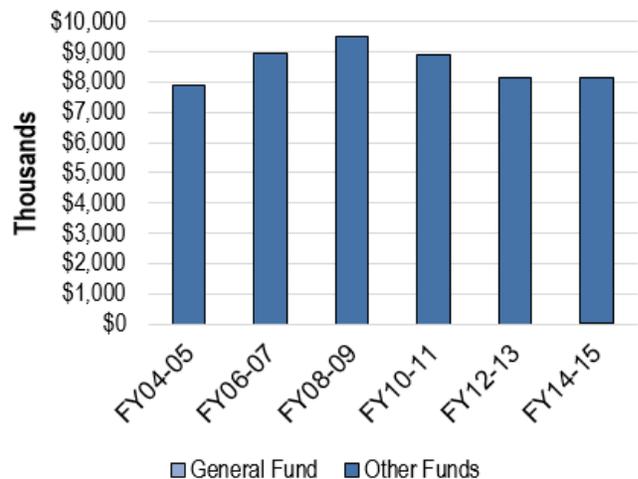
**BUDGET**

**Spending by Category  
FY 15 Actual**



Source: SWIFT

**Historical Spending**



Source: Consolidated Fund Statement

The POST Board is funded through a special revenue account from a surcharge on certain criminal and traffic offenses. Although the law directs the state treasurer to credit 39% of the proceeds of the first \$25 of that surcharge to the Peace Officer Training Account, POST’s budget cannot exceed the legislated base appropriation. Minnesota Statutes 171.20 Subdivision 4 (d) requires that certain non-DUI reinstatement fees be deposited in a special revenue account and appropriates those proceeds to POST for training reimbursements to local government. The FY17 budget from these sources is \$4,254,000 and it is allocated as follows:

- Training reimbursements to local governments:..... \$2,734,000
- General operating costs: ..... \$1,295,000
- Training reimbursements to local governments from non-DUI Related Driver’s License Reinstatements..... \$125,000
- Special Revenue for Training (one time appropriation) ..... \$100,000
- The POST Board has 10 full-time employees.

## STRATEGIES

The POST Board's mission is implemented through the following functions:

### Education

- establish and maintain pre-service education learning objectives
- manage a training reimbursement fund for law enforcement agencies

### Licensing and Compliance

- administer license exams (peace officer, interstate reciprocity and military reciprocity)
- license peace officers
- renew and restore peace officer licenses
- monitor compliance with standards of conduct
- monitor compliance with in-service continuing education requirements
- conduct annual on-site compliance reviews at 20% of the state's 439 law enforcement agencies every 4-5 years
- monitor allegations of misconduct and impartial policing complaints

### Efficiency

- examine technology alternatives to increase efficiency in administering exams and overall data collection, processing and storage
- manage the in-house e-licensing system
- perform other duties and services as mandated by the legislature

## RESULTS

While Board and staff members are comfortable and competent in their role as the State's regulatory agency for law enforcement, since 1998 POST has emphasized the parallel role of a resource to law enforcement officers, chiefs, sheriffs and state agency directors.

<i>Type of Measure</i>	<i>Name of Measure</i>	<i>Previous</i>	<i>Current</i>	<i>Dates</i>
Quantity	Awarded new peace officer license	643	645	FY 15/FY16
Quantity	Administered peace officer exams	1,192	1,128	FY 15/FY16
Quantity	Conducted on-site law enforcement agency compliance reviews	71	160	FY 15/FY16

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POST's enabling legislation was created in 1977 "session law" and later codified under M.S. 626.84. This statute (<https://www.revisor.mn.gov/statutes/?id=626.84>) provides the legal authority for the POST Board.