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AT A GLANCE

- License more than 11,000 peace officers and part-time peace officers.
- Certify the Professional Peace Officer Education programs at 32 colleges and universities.
- Conduct law enforcement agency compliance reviews.
- Monitor complaints of allegations of misconduct.
- The POST Board serves more than 400 law enforcement agencies, 32 colleges and universities, legislators and Governor’s office, local elected officials, other state agencies, and special interest groups, individual citizens and the media.

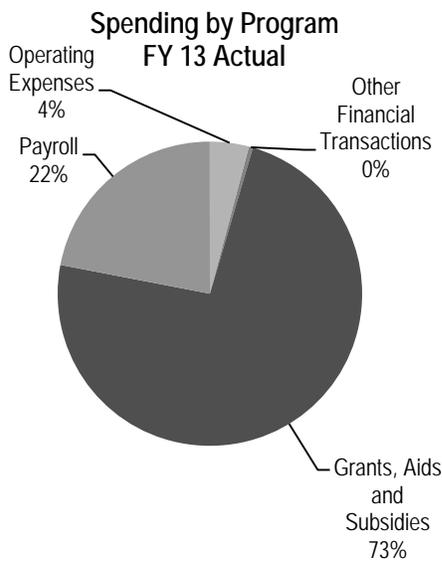
PURPOSE

The mission of the Minnesota Board of Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST Board) is to develop, maintain, and enforce selection, education, and licensing 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.

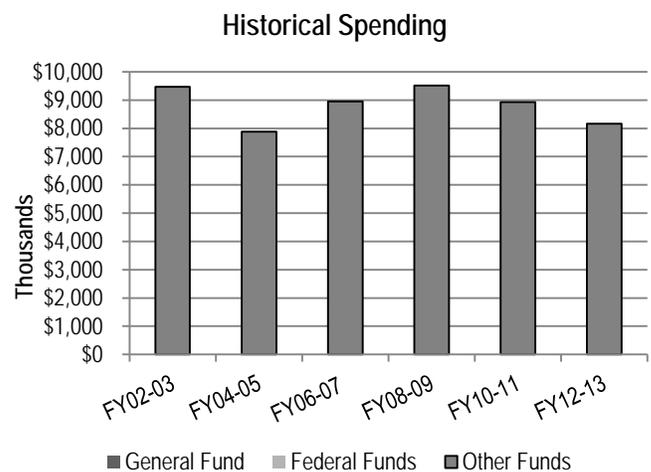
The POST Board supports the following statewide outcomes.

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

BUDGET



Source: SWIFT



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) states certain non-DUI reinstatement fees are to be deposited in a special revenue account and is appropriated to POST for training reimbursements to local government. The FY15 budget from this source is \$4,270,000 and the agency resources are allocated as follows:

- Training reimbursements to local governments:----- \$2,734,000
- General operating costs:----- \$1,136,000
- Training reimbursements to local governments from non-DUI Related Driver’s License Reinstatements ----- \$250,000
- Special Revenue for Training (one time appropriation) ----- \$100,000
- General Fund for Training (one time appropriation) ----- \$50,000
- 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 curricula
- 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 10% of the state's 448 law enforcement agencies
- 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. POST is confident it consistently delivers the most professional public service in Minnesota.

<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	478	605	FY13/FY14
Quantity	Administered peace officer exams	1,159	1,274	FY13/FY14
Quantity	Conducted on-site law enforcement agency compliance reviews	56	33	FY13/FY14

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.