



5/12/11

OSHA Committee Progress Report

5/4 Wed. Met with Senator Johanns's people for the second time.
5/6 Friday Met with Congressman Lee Terry. (He understands the issues so he doesn't need phone calls.)
5/7 Sat. Met with Omaha Alliance Representative to pull together ideas and consider what's next.
5/10 Tues. Johanns's associate met with NE State OSHA representative, Bonita Winningham, and discussed putting a six month moratorium on the June 16, 2011, new rules. She is also willing to work with NAHB.
5/11 Wed. Members met to compile this letter and discussed bank acct.

We are now in the process of setting up an "OSHA Fund" Bank account at Omaha State Bank. We need and are requesting donations to get an OSHA Fund established that would enable us to work as a united front to provide the following as money allows. From what we are planning, we feel that this OSHA Account will need to contain from \$30,000 to \$50,000. Therefore, we are requesting a minimum donation of \$200. or up to whatever you as a contractor, subcontractor, supplier or supporter can and are willing to donate. Your **DONATION IS TAX DEDUCTIBLE**. If we need more funding in the future we may request renewal for yearly participation if our OSHA needs continue, or additional funds. Please note that **none of the donation dollars will go towards paying fines** but for fighting our cause to help develop reasonable safety guidelines to prevent fines from being levied.

OSHA Committee Goals for what your donation and participation will provide:

- Develop a web presence both locally and nationally in the form of an OSHA Watch website, OSHA Watchdog Facebook Acct., blogs, PR etc. It would provide factual information on training, alerts, news, basic articles, statistics pertaining to Nebraska and elsewhere as can be provided.
- Top Priority: Develop a plan of action on what you are to do if OSHA inspectors show up on your job site and if you are fined.
- Keep the Target off of your back by having a group representative or spokesman.
- Provide e-mail updates on OSHA news and progress, and possibly OSHA alerts
- Access to OSHA information. paid consultants, and available training
- Contact and hire OSHA knowledgeable attorneys as needed
- Develop Safety Certification to be shown like a Driver's License
- Work with safety consultants on OSHA and state the approved guidelines
- Work with consultants to develop specific OSHA required realistic site plans for individual sub contractors and contractors that would be skill specific and approved by OSHA the state, individual subs, and govt. officials.
- Hire someone to write and coordinate our legal and political action
- Hire someone part-time to facilitate the web acct., information, blogs, e-mails, etc.
- Work with Omaha Alliance and their members that OSHA impacts

Please share this will anyone interested in participation. Please complete the application attached, send a check written to OSHA Fund, and mail it to the enclosed address.