

Department of Revenue

FY25 OPERATIONAL PLAN

Director Mary Mosiman

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DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE

Mission

To serve lowans through the responsible collection and generation of revenue to support the public good.

Vision

lowa will be a state that uses innovation to make it simple to comply with revenue laws and deliver fun and fair lottery experiences.

FY25 Strategic Goals

Responsible Revenue Generation Department Optimization





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ORGANIZATIONAL CHART

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Administrator

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Steve French **Chief Financial Officer**

Core Function: RESPONSIBLE REVENUE GENERATION

| Services, Products, & Activities (SPAs) | SPA Measure Name | Core Function Measure | | FY25 Target | Strategy / Action |
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| Lottery Operations | Retailer shipments | Percent of Scratch Tickets shipped vs. generated for initial allocations, suggested orders, and direct orders by district sales representatives | Monthly | 100% | Monitor ticket order fulfillment for accuracy and make adjustments as needed |
| Alcohol Operations | Inventory management and control | Actual vs. baseline sales (budgeted amount projected for all spirits for the fiscal year) | Monthly | \$445,000,000 | Adjust delivery by suppliers and distributors based on retailer orders |
| Lottery Systems | Guaranteed Low End Prize Structure (GLEPS) Testing | Percent of scratch tickets & pull-tabs that passed testing criteria loaded into Central Gaming System (CGS) production | Monthly | 100% | Load successfully tested Scratch-tickets & Pull-Tabs games into gaming system; periodically review a representative sample of successfully tested games to ensure compliance with GLEPS criteria |
| Lottery Systems | Terminal / self-serve kiosk installation or relocation | Percent completion within 90 days of State Change Action Request (SCAR) for new installation, existing terminals, or self-serve kiosks | Monthly | 100% | Monitor timely submission of SCARs to vendor with installations and relocations; periodic follow-up on vendor progress with requested installations and relocations |
| Problem Gambling Awareness | Problem Gambling Awareness Month - Lottery secured advertising (March) | External advertising placed in dollars; adjusted based on overall advertising spend | Annually | \$203,000 in advertising; 3,260,000 in impressions | Capitalize on media outlets providing public service announcements at no cost; negotiate vendor pricing for advertising |
| Problem Gambling Awareness | World Lottery Association Responsible Gaming Framework (RGF) Certification | Achieve World Lottery Association RGF Level 2 Certification | Annually | Level 2 Certification | Develop a high-quality deliverable, accurately representing Lottery processes and procedures while ensuring compliance with certification requirements |
| Alcohol Sales & Retail Distribution | Alcohol revenues transferred to the State's General Fund and the Department of Economic Development (IEDA) | Total funds transferred each FY are within two percentage points of the targeted amount | Monthly | <2% of targeted amount | Periodically evaluate operations and capitalize on opportunities to cut cost |

RESPONSIBLE REVENUE GENERATION

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| Lottery Sales & Retail Distribution | InstaPlay development & management | InstaPlay dollars sold | Monthly | Annual Budget: \$23,991,500 | Track monthly sales vs. goals to determine overall category performance and individual game performance, supplement with additional promotions as needed |
| Lottery Sales & Retail Distribution | Lotto development & management | Lotto dollars sold | Monthly | Annual Budget: \$117,893,500 | Track monthly sales vs. goals to determine overall category performance and individual game performance, supplement with additional promotions as needed |
| Lottery Sales & Retail Distribution | Pull-tab development & management | Pull-tab dollars sold | Monthly | Annual Budget: \$10,800,000 | Track monthly sales vs. goals to determine overall category performance and individual game performance, supplement with additional promotions as needed |
| Lottery Sales & Retail Distribution | Scratch Ticket development & management | Scratch Ticket dollars sold | Monthly | Annual Budget: \$265,000,000 | Track monthly sales vs. goals to determine overall category performance and individual game performance, supplement with additional promotions as needed |
| Lottery Sales & Retail Distribution | Lottery sales | Total sales from all product categories | Monthly | Annual budget: \$417,685,000 | Track monthly sales vs. goals to determine overall category performance and individual game performance, supplement with additional promotions as needed |
| Appeals | Reduce the average time to close a case or move it to litigation | Average time to closure or move to litigation | Annually | <19 months | Identify and prioritize simple cases for staff to work, reallocating resources; reduce allowance of taxpayer extensions, move to file answers when the case is developed enough to do so. Staff notify Appeals Manager when more than two extensions have been requested. Review Department processes that precede Appeals to identify contributing changes to appeals increase. Review post-triage cases to identify opportunities for Triage Examiner training. |

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| Alcohol Portfolio Management | Return of sales and net profit ratios meet key performance benchmarks | Return on sales ratio (net profit over total liquor sales) | Monthly | >30% | Adjust business rules for retailer rebate program; monitor alcohol operations to identify efficiencies in alcohol distributions |
| Alcohol & Tax Compliance | Increase alcohol licensee / sales tax compliance | Total sales tax liability assessments from alcohol investigations | Annually | \$1,600,000 | Apply data analytics to generate high- quality leads |
| Data Analytics | Service satisfaction percentage | Customer satisfaction percentage for Data Analytics services | Quarterly | 75% | Apply appropriate corrective actions based on data analytics project closure survey results |
| Lottery Operations & Advertising | Operations and advertising expense ratio | Percent of operating and advertising expenses to total sales | Annually | 4% | Apply data analytics to continuously improve the accuracy of the sales forecasting model and adjust advertising expenses as needed |
| Human Resource Management | Time to fill vacant positions | Number of days from vacancy to new-hire start | Monthly | < 90 calendar days | Apply a targeted approach to functional areas with frequent vacancies; offer supervisor training; collaborate with Customer Experience Bureau on employee engagement techniques |
| Human Resource Management | Employee retention | Retention rate | Monthly | > 85% | Apply a tailored and targeted approach to functional areas with high turnover rates; provide supervisor coaching/counseling |
| IMPACT / GovConnectIowa System Health | Intervention resolution | System interventions (event) time to resolution | Monthly | <30 days | Assess and adjust resource allocation for Production Support, specifically for corrections |
| IMPACT / GovConnectIowa System Health | Service Request (SQR) resolution rate | Percent resolved SQRs to new SQRs | Monthly | >80% | Assess and adjust resource allocation for Production Support, specifically for changes and corrections |

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| Financial Services | Issue resolution | Resolve all issues communicated through the IDR EFT mailbox within 10 business days | Monthly | 100% | Monitor backlog and adjust staffing levels as needed (resource re-allocation) |
| Legal Services | Timely completion of requests in SMART | Percent of legal/policy projects completed by agreed-upon deadlines | Annually | 75% | Monitor project intake, deadlines, and staff workload to adjust project assignments as needed; work with requestors to understand project priority and set reasonable deadlines |
| Local Government Services | Local government payment accuracy | Provide accurate payments to local governments according to statutory deadlines | Monthly | 100% | Collaborate with subject matter experts in tax research and finance/accounting to ensure accuracy prior to triggering distributions to local governments |
| Customer Experience | GovConnectIowa interactions: web form abandonment | Percent of web forms abandoned | Monthly | <55% | Analyze webform statistics and update page content based on results |
| Customer Experience | GovConnectIowa interactions: paperless delivery rate | Percent of eligible customers opted-in to paperless correspondence delivery (those with GovConnectIowa access) | Monthly | >30% | Leverage established communication channels to promote electronic correspondence |
| Customer Experience | GovConnectIowa interactions: Send a Message (SAM) response time | Percent of SAM responses within one business day | Monthly | >75% | Monitor backlog and adjust staffing levels as needed (resource re-allocation) |

COMPLIANCE

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| Local Government Services | Ensure local jurisdictions abide by the aggregate valuations thresholds and tolerances | Conduct appraisals and assessments as determined by the Equalization Process according to statutory deadlines | Annually | 100% | Manage workloads and prioritize staff responsibilities & efforts as needed |
| Local Government Services | Assessment accuracy | Provide accurate assessments to local governments according to statutory deadlines | Annually | 100% | Manage workloads and prioritize staff responsibilities & efforts as needed |
| Local Government Services | Provide property tax technical information | Provide accurate property tax technical information to taxpayers and local government officials in <10 business days | Monthly | 100% | Manage workloads and prioritize staff responsibilities & efforts as needed |
| Lottery Prize Payment | Claims above \$600 prize payments | Percent of prizes paid within 24 hours of winning ticket(s) verification & player documentation | Quarterly | 100% | Staff from Financial Services, Lottery Investigations, and Lottery Systems collaborate and communicate effectively to ensure timely prize payments |
| Tobacco Compliance | I-Pledge Enforcement Program & FDA Compliance Program | Number of tobacco compliance checks on retail outlets | Annually | 7,000 | Improve awareness of iPledge Program and increase local law enforcement participation through signed agreements |

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| Alcohol Compliance | Alcohol audits | Total audits completed | Monthly | 90 | Expand partnerships with local law enforcement to increase presence in all counties |
| Alcohol Compliance | Alcohol inspections | Total inspections completed as required by Chapter 123 | Monthly | 1200 | Expand partnerships with local law enforcement to increase presence in all counties |
| Alcohol Compliance | Alcohol investigations | Total investigations completed | Monthly | 200* | Integrate alcohol regulatory checks with sales tax audits generating efficiencies |
| Alcohol Enforcement Actions | Non-sale to minor case resolution | Resolution of completed and submitted cases within six months of assignment | Semi- annually | Year over year 25% increase | Prioritize staff assignment to limit disruption and ensure focus on case review; triage by case backlog by case type and category; conduct knowledge transfer, as appropriate |
| Alcohol Enforcement Actions | Sale-to-minor case resolution | Resolution of issued sales to minor citations and subsequent adjudication in criminal courts within six months of receipt | Semi- annually | Year over year 20% increase | Provide education and outreach to local law enforcement on the process of submitting sale-to-minor citations for administrative processing |
| Tax Compliance | Enforcement costs as a percent of revenue collected | Tax Gap and compliance costs as a percent of revenue collected | Annually | <10% | Frequently review IMPACT / GovConnectlowa data to identify and implement changes to business processes and procedures; periodically analyze IMPACT data to validate or update return examination and audit criteria; prioritize review of high-dollar refunds and payments |
| Tax Compliance | Tax refund processing | Average number of days to process individual income tax refunds | Annually | < 30 calendar days | Review audit and examination queues weekly and adjust business rules and staffing levels per queue accordingly |

^{*}Note: Investigations have a high level of variability, depending on volume of complaints received.

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| Lottery Investigations | Response to retailer complaints raised | Percent of retailers that underwent compliance checks within 45 days of receiving complaint | Quarterly | 100% | Manage workloads and prioritize staff responsibilities & efforts as needed |
| Lottery Investigations | Response to game integrity and security concerns | Percent of game and security concerns investigated | Monthly | 100% | Manage workloads and prioritize staff responsibilities & efforts as needed |
| Lottery Investigations | Response to law enforcement & attorney offices | Percent of responses to law enforcement agencies & attorney offices within 24 hours; reports submitted within 15 days of investigation completion | Monthly | 100% | Manage workloads and prioritize staff responsibilities & efforts as needed |
| Lottery Investigations | Response to requests from Lottery Bureaus | Percent of responses to Lottery Bureaus within 24 hours; reports submitted within 15 days of investigation completion | Monthly | 100% | Manage workloads and prioritize staff responsibilities & efforts as needed |
| Lottery Investigations | Lottery enforcement retailer compliance checks | Percent of established retailers that underwent unannounced compliance checks | Monthly | 20% | Manage workloads and prioritize staff responsibilities & efforts as needed |
| Lottery Investigations | Lottery enforcement retailer compliance checks | Percent of new retailers that underwent compliance check within 90 days | Monthly | 100% | Manage workloads and prioritize staff responsibilities & efforts as needed |

REPORTING & ANALYSIS

| Services, Products, & Activities (SPAs) | SPA Measure Name | Core Function Measure | Frequency | FY25 Target | Strategy / Action |
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| Tax Research & Program Analysis | High priority and informal State Fiscal Estimates response time | Percent of high priority and informal State Fiscal Estimates completed within five business days | Annually | 75% | Manage workloads and prioritize staff responsibilities and efforts as needed to improve timeliness |
| Revenue Estimating | Provide and ensure accurate Economic Model forecasts | Measure the Economic Forecast Model accuracy using the Mean Absolute Percent Error (MAPE) to compare economic forecasts against actual results | Annually | < 5% | Assess forecasting methodology and included variables |