

Commission provides training and information for those covered by the statute and for the public.

The Commission prepares a directory of firms that conduct a certain amount of business with the State. A pamphlet describing the Commission's program is available in limited quantities. Financial disclosure forms and lobbyists' reports are available for public inspection.

The Commission consists of five members appointed to five-year terms by the Governor. One member is nominated by the Senate President and one by the Speaker of the House of Delegates. Of the three remaining members, one must be a member of the principal political party to which the incumbent governor does not belong. The Commission appoints an executive director, general counsel, and staff counsel (Code 1957, Art. 40A).

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**MARYLAND  
FOOD CENTER AUTHORITY**

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**BUDGET (CODE 23.14.00)**

Funds	FY1992 (actual)	FY1993 (actual)	FY1994 (approp.)
Total Funds	\$1,788,966	\$1,960,390	\$2,374,161
<b>Staff</b>			
Authorized	29.4	30.9	33
Contractual (FTE)	3.0	3.0	3
Total Staff	32.4	33.9	36

**MANDATED REPORTS**

- Analysis of any proposed new real estate development project to Legislative Policy Committee for comment & to Department of Fiscal Services.*
- Annual Report to Board of Public Works, Office on Minority Affairs, & Legislative Policy Committee on procurement contracts awarded to certified minority business enterprises due Sept. 30.*
- Annual Statement to Governor & General Assembly.*

**ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE**

**MARYLAND FOOD CENTER AUTHORITY**

Henry L. Hein, *Chairperson*, 1994

*Appointed by Governor with Senate advice & consent:* James V. Melton, 1994; Craig A. Snoops, 1995; T. Allan Stradley, 1995; John J. Davis, 1996; Gail S. Kaplan, 1996; Austin A. Zimmer, 1997; Raymond E. Nicholas, Sr., 1998.

*Ex officio:* Louis L. Goldstein, Comptroller of the Treasury; vacancy, Secretary of Agriculture; Martin W. Walsh, Jr., Secretary of General Services; Craig S. Oliver, Ph.D., Director, Cooperative Extension Service, University of Maryland System.

**ADVISORY COUNCIL**

*Chairperson:*

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*Appointed by Maryland Agricultural Commission:* Allen Baugher; John Hochmuth; Andrew H. Lohr, Jr.; Edward Quidas; Anthony R. Worm.

*Appointed by Maryland Wholesale Produce Market Tenants:* W. D. Class, Jr.; William D. Class III; Samuel Cucina; Richard Holloway; Thomas Rahlh.

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**MARYLAND WHOLESALE FOOD CENTER**

**MARYLAND WHOLESALE PRODUCE MARKET**

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**ROCK HALL SEAFOOD PROCESSING PLANT**

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The Maryland Food Center Authority originated in 1967 as the Greater Baltimore Consolidated Wholesale Food Market Authority (Chapter 145, Acts of 1967). The Authority was formed to establish and operate a consolidated food center within the Greater Baltimore Region. In 1975, the Authority was reorganized as the Maryland Wholesale Food Center Authority (Chapter 729, Acts of 1975). The Authority received its present name in 1979 (Chapter 482, Acts of 1979).

The Authority is developing a 398-acre site for the Maryland Wholesale Food Center. The Center is located in Howard County near Jessup at the intersection of U.S. Route 1 and Maryland Route 175. The Center now includes the Maryland Wholesale Produce Market and the Maryland Wholesale Seafood Market. With many different types of food operations at one site, the Center provides quality food products efficiently and inexpensively and employs over 3,100 people. As of October 1993, approximately 3,611,190 square feet of food warehousing space had been completed or was under construction within the Center.

In 1989, the Authority acquired the Rock Hall Seafood Processing Plant in Kent County. This water-side plant is accessible to both Chesapeake Bay watermen and land-based operations which depend upon Bay natural resources, such as finfish and shellfish.