

MARYLAND PORT ADMINISTRATION
POLICE FORCE

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The Maryland Port Administration Police Force was authorized in 1976 (Chapter 468, Acts of 1976). The Force has all powers granted to Maryland peace officers and police officers. The Force protects life, limb, and property on properties owned, leased, operated by, or under the control of the Maryland Port Administration.

PLANNING & BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT

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Planning and Business Development formed in 1995. This division is responsible for Capital Planning; Harbor Development; Market Planning; Public Involvement; and Strategic Planning.

MARYLAND TRANSPORTATION
AUTHORITY

Chair: David L. Winstead, Secretary
of Transportation

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The Maryland Transportation Authority governs and sets policy for the State's toll roads, bridges, and tunnels (Code Transportation Article, secs. 4-201 through 4-404). The Authority was created in 1970 (Chapter 526, Acts of 1970).

The Transportation Authority operates and maintains four toll bridges, the Baltimore Harbor Tunnel, the Fort McHenry Tunnel, and the John F. Kennedy Memorial Highway. These facilities were constructed with proceeds from the sale of revenue bonds and from toll revenues. They are operated and maintained solely through tolls charged to users.

The Authority consists of the Secretary of Transportation as chair and six members appointed for three-year terms by the Governor with Senate advice and consent (Code Transportation Article, secs. 4-101 through 4-404).

Administrative, engineering and finance operations of the Authority center at the Francis Scott Key Bridge, Baltimore's outer harbor crossing.

OPERATIONS

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Created in 1995, Operations oversees all bridges, tunnels, and turnpikes under the jurisdiction of the Maryland Transportation Authority.

This oversight includes administrative functions, law enforcement, and services to users. Formerly, bridges, tunnels, and turnpikes each had been administered separately. Now, the work of the Authority is administered by regions. Each regional administration is responsible for traffic control and the collection, disposition, and safeguarding of tolls. Each ensures that roads, structures, facilities, and approaches are maintained. Along the John F. Kennedy Memorial Highway, the regional administration also oversees the operation of service plazas, and their restaurants and service stations.

CENTRAL REGION

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Baltimore Harbor Tunnel and its eighteen-mile thruway opened to traffic on November 30, 1957. Designated Interstate 895, the Tunnel provides a major north-south bypass of Baltimore City.

Fort McHenry Tunnel is the world's only eight-lane underwater tunnel for vehicular traffic. It is located just south of Fort McHenry between Locust Point and Canton, crossing Baltimore's harbor under the Patapsco River. As part of Interstate 95, the Tunnel links the southern and eastern areas of Baltimore City. The Tunnel opened to traffic on November 24, 1985.

Francis Scott Key Bridge was opened to traffic in March of 1977 and connects Sollers Point in Baltimore County with Hawkins Point in Baltimore City. It also is the final link in the 52-mile Baltimore Beltway (Interstate 695).

NORTHERN REGION

John E. (Jack) Krummel, *Administrator*
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Thomas J. Hatem Memorial Bridge, formerly the Susquehanna River Toll Bridge, spans the Susquehanna River from a point near Perryville, Cecil County, to a point near Havre de Grace, Harford County. Opened to traffic on August 28, 1940, the Bridge is 1.4 miles long. In 1986, the Bridge was renamed for Thomas J. Hatem (1925-1985) who represented Harford County in the House of Delegates from 1955 to 1958.

John F. Kennedy Memorial Highway, formerly Northeastern Expressway, was constructed with revenue bond proceeds authorized in 1956 (Chapter 1, Acts of the Special Session of 1956). This toll road, a part of Interstate 95, opened to traffic on November 14, 1963. Its fifty miles extend from Delaware south to the northern limits of Baltimore City. Administrative offices of the Kennedy Memorial Highway are located at the Perryville Plaza Barrier, where tolls for through traffic are collected.