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## MORGAN STATE COLLEGE

### HISTORY

The College was chartered at the Centenary Biblical Institute on November 27, 1867. In 1869 the first building was occupied at 44 E. Saratoga Street, Baltimore. In 1880 the institution moved to larger quarters at the corner of Fulton and Edmondson Avenues in Baltimore. The late Dr. Lyttleton F. Morgan gave a sum of money to the school in 1890, which enabled the institution to offer training on the college level as a result of which the name of the school was changed to Morgan College. In June, 1917, the College took title to its present site, a tract of land formerly known as the Ivy Mills Property.

The College became part of the educational system of the State of Maryland through an act of the General Assembly, Senate Bill 377, approved May 3, 1939. The Bill provided for a commission of five persons known as the "Commission on a State College for Negroes" whose duty it was (1) to consider the advisability of acquiring the property of Morgan College by the State for educational purposes and (2) to enter into an agreement on behalf of the State with the Board of Trustees of Morgan College for the acquisition of said property, should the Commission decide favorably upon the transfer. The Commission consisted of the following persons: John E. Semmes, H. C. Byrd, B. Howell Griswold, Thomas W. Pangborn and A. W. W. Woodcock.

As a result of negotiations between the Commission and the Board of Trustees of Morgan College, it was agreed that the State should pay to the Board of Trustees the sum of \$225,000 for all of its physical property at the Hillen Road site. On the recommendation of the Commission, the Board of Public Works on November 9, 1939, accepted the conditions and on November 20, 1939, the College was officially transferred to the State and its name was changed to "Morgan State College." Later the Board of Public Works appointed a Board of Trustees to have control of Morgan State College until such time as the General Assembly shall provide for the permanent management of the institution.

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