

STATE-AIDED SCHOOLS, SOCIETIES
AND ASSOCIATIONS

Special Schools

THE MARYLAND SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND, 3501 Taylor Avenue, Baltimore 21236; Herbert J. Wolfe, *Superintendent*; established 1853; serving the educational needs of visually impaired and visually impaired multi-handicapped students, nursery through the twelfth grade. Tuition students are accepted from Delaware, District of Columbia and New Jersey Staff members 1975, 257; 1976, 267; and 1977, 272.

Societies and Associations

BALTIMORE URBAN COALITION, 330 N. Charles St., Baltimore 21201; Gerhardt M. Hoff, *Chairman*; Mary E. Banks, *Executive Director*. Seeks to provide social justice without upheaval, promote racial harmony and serve as an advocate for the vulnerable—young, aged, poor and others. Organized into a number of task force committees in the areas of Health and Welfare, Education, Legislation and Criminal Justice, Employment and Economy and Housing.

MARYLAND HISTORICAL SOCIETY, 201 W. Monument St., Baltimore 21201; Leonard C. Crewe, Jr., *President*; P. William Filby, *Director*. Non-profit educational institution which collects, preserves and diffuses information relating to the civil, natural, artistic and literary history of the State, and to American history art and biography generally. Maintains the Darnall Young Peoples Museum of Maryland History.

CIVIL AIR PATROL, MARYLAND WING, Baltimore-Washington International Airport, Baltimore 21240; Colonel Frank A. Kunkowski, *Wing Commander*. The funds appropriated are to pay the State's contribution to the Maryland Wing, Civil Air Patrol, to be used for basic operating expenses.

BALTIMORE SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA, 120 W. Mount Royal Avenue, Baltimore 21201; Joseph Leavitt, *General Man-*

ager. The orchestra furnishes educational, cultural and artistic services for the benefit of the entire population of the State. The orchestra plays approximately 285 concerts per year throughout the State for all age groups. Nearly 500,000 persons attended concerts during 1975-76 season.

STAR SPANGLED BANNER FLAG HOUSE ASSOCIATION, INC., 844 East Pratt Street, Baltimore 21202; National Historic Landmark. Herbert E. Witz, *President*; Mrs. Hugh MacD Martin, *Director*. Serves to perpetuate the Old Flag House as a shrine to our early founders. Many original mementos of the Pickersgill and Key families are on exhibition as well as interesting relics of the War of 1812 period. Publishes newsletter in addition to various pamphlets, brochures, maps, and folders of historical significance.

MARYLAND STATE FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION, J. Francis Fatkin, *Secretary*, Route 1, Box 702, Frostburg 21532. The funds appropriated represent the State's contribution to pensions which may be paid to volunteer firemen or to their families in certain instances and to provide educational benefits to the children of deceased or disabled volunteer firemen (Code 1957, 1971 Repl. Vol., Art. 38A).

COUNCIL OF STATE GOVERNMENTS, P. O. Box 11910, Iron Works Pike, Lexington, Kentucky 40511; Brevard Carihfield, *Executive Director*. The appropriation represents Maryland's proportionate share of the Council's operating expense. The Council is an umbrella group of various organizations such as the National Conference of State Legislatures, National Association of Attorneys General and the National Conference of Lieutenant Governors among others. The Council, founded in 1933, is a service organization which publishes a variety of books, pamphlets and newsletters, conducts research ranging from spot inquiries to in-depth analysis of issues and arranges meetings and seminars for the regional branches of its affiliate organizations.