

sponsible to the Governor and the Secretary for the carrying out of the program in Maryland.

The Agency prepares for, and in the event of enemy attack or major natural disasters, coordinates the emergency functions of State agencies and political subdivisions to minimize and repair injury and damage resulting from such disasters. The Agency assists the county and Baltimore City Civil Defense organizations in the implementation of the National Civil Defense program. It is the agency of State government which aids the political subdivisions of Maryland in the procurement of supplies and equipment for civil defense purposes under the Federal matching funds and surplus property programs. It also manages the program for Federal contributions to the administrative and personnel expenses of the State and Local governments for civil defense. The Director is responsible to the Governor for the coordination of the State's disaster relief operations in the event of the declaration of a "major disaster" within Maryland (Code 1957, 1973 Repl. Vol., Art. 16A; Art. 25, sec. 16; 1968 Repl. Vol., Art. 56, sec. 261; 1968 Repl. Vol., Art. 59, sec. 47A, sec. 9B; and Chapter 666, Acts of 1975).

The Agency gathers and tabulates information concerning expenditures for the alleviation of disaster conditions throughout the State for the Governor's use in determining eligibility for Federal financial assistance under Public Law 93-288.

Working with the Federal Administrator of General Services, the Agency is responsible for coordination of all State agencies, political subdivisions and representatives of the private sector in planning for mobilization and management of resources and production in the event of enemy attack or other major national emergencies.

The Civil Defense and Disaster Preparedness Advisory Council is appointed by the Secretary of Public Safety and Correctional Services with the approval of the Governor, and its members serve without compensation. The Council advises the Governor, the Secretary and the Director in civil defense and disaster preparedness matters.

The Emergency Resource Priorities Board is composed of heads of State departments, serving *ex officio*, augmented by leaders of business and industry appointed by the Governor and serving without compensation. The Board advises the Governor and the Director in planning for emergency mobilization and management of resources.

The Agency has prepared, had approved by the Governor and maintains in current status, three plans for accomplishment of its missions, which are: the Maryland Emergency Operations Plan, the Maryland Plan for Emergency Management of Resources, and the Maryland Disaster Assistance Plan.

Staff: 1975, 40; 1976, 40; 1977, 38.

### COMMUNITY CORRECTION TASK FORCE

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Chapter 464, Acts of 1972, provided for the establishment of Community Correction Centers in the State of Maryland. With the passage of Chapter 234, Acts of 1976, the Secretary of Public Safety and Correctional Services, with the assistance and advice of the Commissioner, shall evaluate and determine the need, if any, for one or more community adult rehabilitation centers in each county or multi-county region of the State (Art. 27, secs. 706-710E), outlines the procedure for establishing a program for the development and operation of community adult rehabilitation centers; making certain findings; defining terms; providing certain duties of the Secretary of Public Safety and Correctional Services, the Commissioner of Correction, counties and county governments, and the Board of Public Works; providing for the establishment, location, construction, operation, and funding of county, regional, and State centers; and relating generally to community adult rehabilitation centers.

The Task Force began operating centers in March, 1974. The normal capacity for all centers is 188 inmates, housed in the following units: