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The Department of Economic and Community Development was created in 1970 (Acts of 1970, ch. 527). Its origins, however, date back to the formation of the Department of Information. Originally authorized by the Board of Public Works in 1948 as a division of the Hall of Records Commission, the Department of Information gained independent status in 1949 (Acts of 1949, ch. 665). By 1959 it was superseded by the Department of Economic Development (Acts of 1959, ch. 185), from which the Department of Economic and Community Development was created in 1970.

The Department of Economic and Community Development was established to advance the economic and cultural welfare of the people of Maryland (Chapter 527, Acts of 1970). The Department's enabling legislation directs it to create and preserve optimal job and income opportunities for Marylanders and to protect and enhance the social, economic, cultural, and fiscal viability of the State's communities.

The Department's more than twenty programs are organized into two principal divisions: economic development, which focuses on economic development financing and marketing, and housing and community development, which focuses on housing and community development as well as historic preservation and cultural programs.

The Division of Economic Development consists of the following agencies: the Office of Business and Industrial Development, Maryland Industrial Training Program, Maryland Small Business Development Financing Authority, Maryland Industrial Development Financing Authority, Office of Seafood Marketing, and Office of Tourist Development.

The Division of Housing and Community Development consists of the following agencies: the Community Development Administration, Division of Local and Regional Development, Maryland Housing Fund, Maryland Industrial and Commercial Redevelopment Fund, and the Neighborhood Housing Fund.

The Department also includes the Maryland Energy Financing Administration, Maryland Magazine, the Division of Public Affairs, the Division of Administrative Services, the Division of Research, and the Day Care Facilities Loan Guarantee Fund.

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