

The Income Maintenance Administration, formerly part of the Social Services Administration, was established first by Executive Order and then by law in 1980 (Chapter 26, Acts of 1980). The Income Maintenance Administration is the central coordinating and directing agency of all public assistance activities in the State, including Aid to Families with Dependent Children, Medical Assistance, General Public Assistance, and Food Stamps (Code 1957, Art. 88A, sec. 1A). It has responsibility for the certification of low income families for Medical Assistance. In agreement with the U. S. Department of Agriculture, the Administration administers the Food Stamp program, which is available in all political subdivisions of the State.

The Administration sets policy for local departments of social services to determine eligibility for financial assistance, Medical Assistance, and Food Stamps. In carrying out this responsibility, the Administration calls upon the local departments of social services for leadership within their communities and for participation in statewide activities. In Baltimore City and in each county there is a local department of social services whose director administers these public assistance activities subject to the supervision, direction, and control of the Income Maintenance Administration.

Six major units are included in the Administration: the Offices of Public Assistance, Administrative Services, Program Integrity, Program Support, Corrective Action, and Legislative and Audit Liaison. The Administration also includes Fair Hearings, Quality Control, and Special Investigations units.

The Executive Director is appointed by the Secretary of Human Resources.

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- Baltimore City  
1510 Guilford Ave.  
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Investment Building  
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Towson 21204 Telephone: 494-2811
- Calvert County  
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- Caroline County  
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207 S. Third St.  
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- Carroll County  
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95 Carroll St.  
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