

The Baltimore Harbor Tunnel and its eighteen-mile thruway opened to traffic on November 30, 1957. Designated I-895, the Tunnel provides a major north-south bypass of Baltimore City.

The John F. Kennedy Memorial Highway, formerly Northeastern Expressway, was constructed with revenue bond proceeds authorized in 1956 (Chapter 1, Acts of the Special Session of 1956). This toll road, a part of Interstate Route 95, was opened to traffic on November 14, 1963. Its forty-two miles extend from the Delaware State line to White Marsh Boulevard, north of Baltimore. Administrative offices of the John F. Kennedy Memorial Highway are located at the Perryville Plaza Barrier, where tolls for through traffic are collected.

The State's four toll bridges, two tunnels, and one toll road are financed, constructed, operated, and maintained solely through the tolls charged to users (Code Transportation Article, secs. 4-101 through 4-404).

PUBLIC INFORMATION SOURCES

Traffic and Road Condition Reports
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Public Affairs Office Telephone: 563-7104,
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The Mass Transit Administration was created as part of the Department of Transportation in 1970 (Chapter 526, Acts of 1970). The Administration originated as the Metropolitan Transit Authority, established in 1961 (Chapter 670, Acts of 1961) and reformed in 1969 (Chapter 160, Acts of 1969).

As the public transit arm of the Department, the Mass Transit Administration operates and maintains the public bus system and is responsible for the development, construction, and operation of the Baltimore Metro. These operational and developmental activities are conducted within the Administration's metropolitan service area, which

encompasses Anne Arundel County, Baltimore City, and Baltimore County. Commuter bus service also has begun to link Howard and Harford Counties to Baltimore City. In addition, the agency administers a program that provides technical and financial assistance to develop or improve public transportation in small urban areas throughout the State (Code Transportation Article, secs. 7-101 through 7-706).

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The State Aviation Administration's origins trace to 1929 when the State Aviation Commission was established (Chapter 318, Acts of 1929). The Administration replaced the Commission and was made a unit of the Department of Transportation in 1970 (Chapter 526, Acts of 1970). The Administration develops and operates airports and fosters and regulates aeronautical activity within the State. The Administrator is appointed by the Secretary of Transportation with the approval of the Governor.

By Chapter 180, Acts of 1972, the operation of Baltimore Washington International (BWI) Airport, the State's major air carrier facility, was assigned to the State Aviation Administration. The Act authorized the State to purchase Baltimore Washington International Airport from Baltimore City. The same Act abolished the Friendship International Airport Authority, originally created in 1970 (Chapter 529, Acts of 1970). Friendship Airport was renamed BWI in 1973.