

The Maryland Food Center Authority originally was created in 1967 as the Greater Baltimore Consolidated Wholesale Food Market Authority (Chapter 145, Acts of 1967). The Authority was formed to establish and operate a consolidated food center within the Greater Baltimore Region.

The Authority is developing a 398-acre site for establishment of the Maryland Wholesale Food Center. The Center is located near Jessup at the intersection of U.S. Route 1 and Maryland Route 175 in Howard County. The Food Center now includes the Maryland Wholesale Produce Market, the Maryland Wholesale Seafood Market, and the Maryland Outlet Mall. The Outlet Mall features a farmers market, crafts market, and flower market, which are available to small farmers, crafts persons, and horticulturists to enable them to market their products directly. With so many different types of food operations in one location, the Food Center provides quality food products to Maryland consumers efficiently and inexpensively.

As of September 1, 1984, approximately 2,190,314 square feet of food warehousing space had been completed or was under construction within the Food Center. The Authority has signed commitments for construction of an additional 123,160 square feet of food warehousing space.

In 1983 the General Assembly asked the Authority to investigate the possibility of building a seafood industrial park in West Ocean City (Chapters 650, 675, Acts of 1983). The feasibility of this project is under review.

The Maryland Food Center Authority consists of twelve members. Four serve *ex officio* and eight are appointed to five-year terms by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate. One appointed member must be a resident of Howard County.

The Authority has an eleven-member Advisory Council. Five Council members are appointed by the Maryland Agricultural Commission, and five are appointed by produce merchants who are tenants in the Maryland Wholesale Produce Market (Chapter 729, Acts of 1975). The Executive Director of the Authority serves as the non-voting chairperson of the Council (Code 1957, Art. 41A, secs. 6-101 through 6-121).

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The Governor's Salary Commission was created by Constitutional Amendment ratified at the general election of November 1976 (Chapter 543, Acts of 1976).