REHABILITATION DIVISION Rosemary Lerdahl, Director

(410) 233-4567

The Rehabilitation Division provides free instruction in alternative techniques for blind people. Instruction covers communications, such as braille, typing, and computer training; independent cane travel; and activities of daily living, including management of the home, cooking, and finances.

AIDS & APPLIANCES Barbara Crook, *Director* (410) 233-4567

Blind Industries and Services of Maryland sells, at cost, items such as braille watches, talking clocks, talking calculators, canes, and games. Items are available at the office on Strickland Steet, or by mail order catalogue.

BRAILLE SERVICES Claire Ricci, Director

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Braille Services transcribes printed material into braille for individuals, organizations, companies, and government for a nominal fee.

CANAL PLACE PRESERVATION & DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

J. Glenn Beall, Jr., Chairperson, 1994 Vacancy, Executive Director

Appointed by Governor (who names chair) with Senate advice & consent: Rex W. Burton, 1995; H. Gregory Skidmore, Esq., 1995; M. Kathryn Burkey, 1996; John J. McMullen, Jr., Esq., 1997.

Contact: Mark R. Edwards
c/o Maryland Historical Trust
100 Community Place
Crownsville, MD 21032 (410) 514-7604

The Canal Place Preservation and Development Authority was formed in 1993. The Authority is an instrumentality of the State and a public corporation that will create and develop an historic Chesapeake and Ohio Canal preservation district in the City of Cumberland (Chapter 544, Acts of 1993). The district will be known as the Canal Place Historic Preservation District.

The Authority's six members are appointed to four-year terms by the Governor with Senate advice and consent. One member represents the Mayor and City Council of the City of Cumberland; one represents the Maryland Historical Trust; and one represents the U.S. Department of the Interior. The Governor designates the chairperson. With the approval of the Governor, the Authority appoints the Executive Director (Code Financial Institutions Article, secs. 13-1001 through 13-1031).

BOARD OF STATE CANVASSERS

Ex officio: Tyras S. Athey, Secretary of State; Louis L. Goldstein, Comptroller of the Treasury; Lucille Maurer, State Treasurer; Alexander L. Cummings, Clerk of the Court of Appeals; J. Joseph Curran, Jr., Attorney General.

Secretary: Gene M. Raynor, State Administrator of Election Laws

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In 1896, the Board of State Canvassers was created (Chapter 202, Acts of 1896). Within thirty-five days after any State election, the Board meets to tabulate the votes cast for each candidate from the certified statements of votes made by the city and county boards of canvassers. The Board declares who is elected and delivers a certified determination of election results to the State Administrative Board of Election Laws. Thereafter, the State Administrative Board of Election Laws issues the Declaration of Results of the election, keeps the records of the Board of State Canvassers, and delivers a copy of the Declaration of Results to the Governor, who issues commissions to the persons elected.

The Board consists of five ex officio members (Code 1957, Art. 33, secs. 18-1, 18-2).

CAPITAL DEBT AFFORDABILITY COMMITTEE

Chairperson: Lucille Maurer, State Treasurer

Appointed by Governor: Paul B. Meritt

Ex officio: Louis L. Goldstein, Comptroller of the Treasury; Charles L. Benton, Jr., Secretary of Budget & Fiscal Planning; O. James Lighthizer, Secretary of Transportation.

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MANDATED REPORTS

Annual Estimate to Governor & General Assembly of new State debt that may be authorized for next fiscal year due Aug. 1.

The Capital Debt Affordability Committee was authorized in 1978 (Chapter 43, Acts of 1978). On a continuing basis, the Committee reviews the size and condition of the State tax-supported debt, as well as other debt of State units, including the University of Maryland System, Morgan State University, and St. Mary's College of Maryland.

Annually, the Committee submits to the Governor and the General Assembly its estimate of the