

VEHICLE THEFT PREVENTION COUNCIL

Chair: Bishop L. Robinson, Secretary
of Public Safety & Correctional Services
W. Ray Presley, Executive Director
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The Vehicle Theft Prevention Council started in 1994 (Chapter 459, Acts of 1994). The Council raises funds for deposit in the Vehicle Theft Prevention Fund from which the Council makes awards and grants for motor vehicle theft intervention programs. The Council also sets priorities for strategies to prevent vehicle theft and recommends legislative action for the same purpose.

The Council has thirteen members. Nine are appointed to three-year terms by the Governor. Four serve ex officio. The Governor names the chair (Code 1957, Art. 41, secs. 4-1601 through 4-1605).

DIVISION OF DATA SERVICES

Paul E. Leuba, *Director*
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The Division of Data Services was created in 1970. The Division is responsible for Administration; the Criminal Justice Information System; Management Information Systems; and the Public Safety Data Center.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE INFORMATION SYSTEM

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The Criminal Justice Information System began in 1976 (Chapter 239, Acts of 1976). It develops and manages statewide information systems for the Maryland criminal justice community, including the courts; local, State and federal law enforcement personnel; local detention centers; State prisons; State's attorneys; and parole and probation officers. The System also is responsible for system administration and documentation, network administration, data security, and user training. In addition, the System administers the Maryland Automated Fingerprint Identification System.

**CRIMINAL JUSTICE INFORMATION SYSTEM
CENTRAL REPOSITORY**

Millicent Dangerfield, *Director*
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The Criminal Justice Information System Central Repository originated as the Criminal Records Central Repository in 1977. The Repository received its present name in 1989. It collects, stores, and disseminates criminal history record information. The Repository is the only source in Maryland that provides conviction and criminal history record information to the noncriminal justice community.

The Repository identifies persons through fingerprints. Law enforcement, regulatory agencies, and private employers submit fingerprint cards for

both criminals and law-abiding citizens who work in jobs requiring screening. The Repository then classifies and electronically searches and/or verifies against previously submitted fingerprints maintained within a master file of over 1.4 million fingerprint cards.

MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEMS

Barbara C. King, *Director*
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Management Information Systems was organized in Fiscal Year 1987 to provide information processing services throughout the Department. The unit designs, implements, and maintains all Department information systems used by the criminal justice and noncriminal justice communities. It provides systems administration support, computer programming services, and user training to Department staff.

PUBLIC SAFETY DATA CENTER

Ronald L. Kennedy, *Director*
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The Department administers the Public Safety Data Center for public safety, law enforcement and correctional agencies within the State. Created in 1970, the Center provides computer processing services to the Department of State Police, the Division of Correction, the Division of Parole and Probation, Patuxent Institution, the State Fire Marshal, and several federal and local criminal justice agencies. The Center provides computer terminal and computer-to-computer data transmission between these agencies and the Motor Vehicle Administration, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and the National Law Enforcement Telecommunications System.

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

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The Office of Inspector General began in May 1987 as the Division of Audits and Compliance, an independent unit within the Office of the Secretary. The Division was established by the Secretary in compliance with the Standards for the Professional Practice of Internal Auditing (SPPIA), which require every internal audit unit to have a written charter (Code 1957, Art. 41, sec. 4-104). In 1993, the Division was reorganized as the Office of Inspector General with units for audits, investigations and management services.

The Office ensures objective review of agency facilities, property, equipment, personnel, administration, and operations. To assist the Secretary in evaluating each unit's management, the Office conducts financial, performance, program and grant audits or inspections within the Department.