

(g) "Municipality" means a municipal corporation in Maryland subject to the provisions of Article 11E of the Constitution; and it also means the mayor and city council of Baltimore. "County" means one of the twenty-three counties of Maryland.

266 DD-4. *Functions and Responsibilities of the Administration.*

*The Administration shall have the following functions and responsibilities:*

(1) *Assist the governor in coordinating the activities of state agencies which have an impact on the solution of community development problems and the implementation of community plans.*

(2) *Encourage and assist the efforts of local governments to develop mutual and cooperative solutions to their common problems.*

(3) *Serve as a clearing house for information, data, and other materials which may be pertinent to sound community development, including information on available federal, state and private financial and technical assistance.*

(4) *In cooperation with the Department of State Planning, carry out continuing studies and analyses of sound community development and make such recommendations for administrative or legislative action as appear necessary paying particular attention to the problems of metropolitan, suburban, and other areas in which economic and population factors are rapidly changing.*

(5) *Implement model or demonstration programs and projects, contracting to administer certain functions or services within a municipality or county of the state for such purposes, or to otherwise provide a program of practical research in community development.*

(6) *In accordance with the provisions of Section 266 DD-6, implement community development projects by (a) acquiring by grant, gift, purchase, or otherwise, subject to the provisions of subsection 7 hereof, real property which is open, predominantly open or undeveloped land or any interest therein and owning and holding the same; (b) installing access and interior streets and roadways, sewer and waterlines in or to and otherwise improving, selling, assigning, exchanging, transferring, conveying, leasing, mortgaging, or otherwise disposing of or encumbering real property which is open, predominantly open or undeveloped UNDEVELOPED land or any interest therein or any combination of the foregoing; (c) subject to approval of local governing bodies as provided in Section 266 ~~D-5(f)~~ DD-5(B), acquired by grant, gift, purchase or otherwise, subject to the provisions of subsection 7 hereof, real property which is not open, predominantly open or undeveloped land, personal property or mixed property and owning, managing, operating, holding, clearing, improving, constructing and rehabilitating, and selling, assigning, exchanging, transferring, conveying, leasing, mortgaging, or otherwise disposing of or encumbering the same and taking assignments of rentals and leases for same or any combination of the foregoing; (d) arranging or contracting with any municipality or county for the planning, re-planning, zoning or rezoning, opening, grading or closing of streets, roads, roadways, alleys or other places, or for the furnishing of*