BALTIMORE COUNTY

Origin: The legal origin of Baltimore County is not known, but it was in existence by January 12, 1659/60 when a writ was issued to the sheriff of the county. The County name was derived from the name of the Proprietary's Barony in Ireland in the county of Longford.

Population: 754,292 (2000 census); 692,134 (1990 census)

Form of Government: Charter since 1956

County Seat: Towson, MD 21204

Websites:

Aging Dept.: www.co.ba.md.us/p.cfm/agencies/aging

Community College: www.ccbc.cc.md.us

County Attorney: www.co.ba.md.us/p.cfm/agencies/lawoffice

County Council: www.baltimorecountycouncil.org

County Executive: www.co.ba.md.us/p.cfm/agencies/coex

County Government: www.co.ba.md.us

Elections Board: www.co.ba.md.us/p.cfm/agencies/elections

Environmental Protection & Resource Management Dept.: www.co.ba.md.us/p.cfm/agencies/deprm

Fire Dept.: www.co.ba.md.us/p.cfm/agencies/fire

Health Dept.: www.co.ba.md.us/p.cfm/agencies/health

Information Technology Office: www.co.ba.md.us/p.cfm/agencies/infotech

Libraries: www.bcplonline.org

Permits & Development Management Dept.: www.co.ba.md.us/p.cfm/agencies/permits

Planning Office: www.co.ba.md.us/p.cfm/agenices/planning

Police Dept.: www.co.ba.md.us/police/police.htm

Public Schools: www.bcps.org

Public Works Dept.: www.co.ba.md.us/p.cfm/agencies/pubwks Recreation & Parks Dept.: www.co.ba.md.us/p.cfm/agencies/recparks

Social Services Dept.: www.co.ba.md.us/p.cfm/agencies/socserv

www.dhr.state.md.us/baltocounty.htm

State's Attorney: www.co.ba.md.us/p.cfm/agencies/statesattorney

LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

COUNTY COUNCIL

Elected by Voters to 4-year terms:

S. G. Samuel Moxley (D), Councilmanic Dist. 1, Chair

(chosen by Council in Jan., 1 year term)

Kevin B. Kamenetz (D), Councilmanic Dist. 2

T. Bryan McIntire (R), Councilmanic Dist. 3

Wayne M. Skinner (R), Councilmanic Dist. 4

Vincent J. Gardina (D), Councilmanic Dist. 5

Joseph Bartenfelder (D), Councilmanic Dist. 6,

John Olszewski, Sr. (D), Councilmanic Dist. 7

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EXECUTIVE BRANCH

COUNTY EXECUTIVE

Elected by Voters to 4-year term:

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ADMINISTRATION

Appointed by County Executive:

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COMMUNITY SERVICES

DEPARTMENT OF AGING

Appointed by County Administrative Officer:

Charles L. Fisher, Jr., Director

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