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## DORCHESTER COUNTY

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*Origin:* The exact date and legal origin of Dorchester County are unknown, but it was in existence by February 16, 1668/69, when a writ was issued to the county sheriff by the Lord Proprietary. The County was named for the Earl of Dorset, a family friend of the Calverts.

*Population:* 30,674 (2000 census); 30,236 (1990 census)

*Form of Government:* County Commissioners

*County Seat:* Cambridge, MD 21613

*Websites:*

Chesapeake College: [www.chesapeake.edu](http://www.chesapeake.edu)

Commissioner Districts: [www.commissioners.net/maps.html](http://www.commissioners.net/maps.html)

County Government: [www.commissioners.net](http://www.commissioners.net)

Economic Development Dept.: [www.skipjack.net/le\\_shore/dorchester/](http://www.skipjack.net/le_shore/dorchester/)

Job Service: [www.careernet.state.md.us/county/dorchester.htm](http://www.careernet.state.md.us/county/dorchester.htm)

Library: [www.dorchesterlibrary.org](http://www.dorchesterlibrary.org)

Public Schools: [www.dcps.k12.md.us](http://www.dcps.k12.md.us)

Register of Wills: [www.registers.state.md.us/county/do/html/dorchester.html](http://www.registers.state.md.us/county/do/html/dorchester.html)

Social Services Dept.: [www.dhr.state.md.us/dorchester.htm](http://www.dhr.state.md.us/dorchester.htm)

Tourism Dept.: [www.tourdorchester.org](http://www.tourdorchester.org)

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### LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

#### BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

*Elected by Voters to 4-year terms:*

Thomas A. Flowers, Ph.D. (D), *President (chosen by Board), Dist. 3*

Effie M. Elzey (R), *Vice-President (chosen by Board), Dist. 5*

Jay L. Newcomb (D), *Dist. 1*

William V. Nichols (D), *Dist. 2*

Glen A. Payne, Sr. (D), *Dist. 4*

*Terms expire 2002.*

P. O. Box 26

County Office Building

501 Court Lane, Cambridge, MD 21613 - 0026

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e-mail: [dorcomm@dmv.com](mailto:dorcomm@dmv.com)

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### EXECUTIVE BRANCH

#### BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

*Elected by Voters to 4-year term:*

Thomas A. Flowers, Ph.D. (D), *President, Dist 3, 2002*

#### ADMINISTRATION

*Appointed by County Commissioners:*

M. Jane Baynard, *County Administrator* (410) 228-1700

#### COUNTY TREASURER

*Elected by Voters to 4-year term (begins in May):*

Gerald J. Grindle (D), *County Treasurer*, 2003

(410) 228-4343

### COMMUNITY SERVICES

#### DELMARVA COMMUNITY SERVICES, INC.

Santo A. Grande, *Executive Director*

P. O. Box 637, Cambridge, MD 21613 - 0637

(410) 221-1900

#### SENIOR INFORMATION & ASSISTANCE OFFICE

300 Shepherd Ave., Cambridge, MD 21613

(410) 221-1930

#### JOB SERVICE & UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE

John R. Pyle, *Manager*

503 Race St., Cambridge, MD 21613

(410) 228-0700; fax: (410) 221-1817

#### DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

*Appointed by Board of County Commissioners with approval of Secretary of Human Resources & advice of Social Services Board:*

William D. McDonnell, *Director*

P. O. Box 217

627 Race St., Cambridge, MD 21613 - 0217

(410) 901-4100; fax: (410) 901-1047

#### CITIZEN REVIEW BOARD FOR CHILDREN

*Appointed by Governor to 4-year terms:* Margaret A.

Sewell, *Chair (chosen by Board)*, 1997; David G.

Townsend, 1999; Beulah Dickinson, 2001;

Katherine G. Dickerson, 2003; Rev. Mary Ann

Farnell, 2003; Portia E. Johnson, 2003; Sr. Mary

Winifred, 2003.