

The Agnew administration provided 60 miles of new water supply lines, 120 miles of sanitary sewage lines, and built new schools, improved teacher salaries, reduced the pupil-teacher classroom ratio by fourteen percent, began public kindergartens, reorganized the police bureau and pioneered in community college curricula to fill employment gaps in the fields of police work and social services.

During his first year in office, he was elected a director of the National Association of Counties and subsequently represented the association at Congressional hearings.

In 1966, County Executive Agnew, with the full endorsement of Maryland Republican leaders, ran for governor. He handily won the primary and on November 8, 1966, the day before his 48th birthday, he was elected governor by a margin of 81,775 votes over his Democratic opponent in a three-way race.

The Governor was married in 1942 to the former Elinor Isabel Judefind of Baltimore, whose father, the late Dr. W. Lee Judefind, was a chemist and vice president of the Davison Chemical Company. They have four children, Pamela, born July 5, 1943, Randy, born September 9, 1946, Susan, born October 23, 1947, and Kimberly, born December 9, 1955.

Governor Agnew retains his membership in the Loch Raven Kiwanis Club, the Parkville post of the American Legion, and his Greek community affiliations in the Order of Ahepa. He was brought up in the Episcopal faith. The Governor is an avid golfer, and a fan of the professional Baltimore Colts and Baltimore Orioles. He also enjoys reading, listening to music and playing the piano for relaxation.