

1973). BISM is a quasi-public, statewide multi-service organization that provides rehabilitation and educational programs, vocational training, and employment services to blind and severely multi-handicapped blind Marylanders. Its general supervision and control is vested in eleven trustees appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate for three-year terms.

The purpose of the Blind Industries and Services of Maryland is to establish and operate centers for the training, rehabilitation, and employment of the adult blind of Maryland. In addition, Blind Industries and Services of Maryland operates other service programs designed to teach adult blind persons the skills necessary to live in society on the basis of mutual interdependence with their sighted peers.

To carry out these programs, Blind Industries and Services of Maryland currently operates three divisions: The Vending Division and Industries and Rehabilitation are located in the Baltimore facility at 2901 Strickland Street; the Cumberland facility at 322 Paca Street, Cumberland; and the Salisbury facility at the Northwood Industrial Park, Salisbury.

The Vending Facilities Division serves as the nominee agency for all locations through a contract from the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation and under authority of the federal Randolph-Sheppard Act. The Division locates, builds, and staffs with trained blind managers snack bars, cafeterias, and sundry shops in publicly owned buildings and in private businesses. There are currently 102 vending facilities throughout Maryland. The Industries Division provides meaningful employment to blind and severely multi-handicapped blind adults in the manufacturing of more than seventy products for federal and state governments and commercial and private businesses. The Rehabilitation Division provides, free of charge, instruction in alternative techniques for blind people, including braille, independent cane travel, cooking, woodshop, and remedial education. Services also include social service, information and referral, and community outreach programs. Aids and appliances are sold at cost at all three locations (Code 1957, Art. 30, secs. 3-10, 30A).

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The State Commission on the Capital City is an advisory body that examines means of preserving the colonial and historic features of Annapolis while planning for the city's orderly growth and development. The Commission may make specific recommendations on landmark resources, the needs for governmental activities and community resources and facilities, the city's physical development, and any other community needs. It reports annually to the Governor, the Anne Arundel County Executive, and the Mayor of Annapolis.

Created by Chapter 202, Acts of 1965, the Commission consists of several ex officio members