

The Fund is governed by an eleven-member Board of Trustees. Five members of the Board are appointed by the Governor with Senate advice and consent and serve at the Governor's pleasure. Five members are appointed by the Board of Directors of the Industry Automobile Insurance Association. The Executive Director of the Maryland Automobile Insurance Fund serves *ex officio* (Code 1957, Art. 48A, sec. 243M). The chairperson is selected by the Board, and the position alternates, for each successive term, between industry and government appointees. The Board advises the Executive Director and formulates policy for the Fund.

Appointed by the Board of Trustees, the Executive Director is responsible for the exercise of all duties conferred on the Fund, except those reserved to the Board of Trustees.

BLIND INDUSTRIES AND SERVICES OF MARYLAND

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General Funds \$1,000,000
FY1989 Total Authorized Positions 201

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Blind Industries and Services of Maryland originated in 1908 as the Maryland Workshop for the Blind (Chapter 566, Acts of 1908). It adopted its present name in 1973 (Chapter 164, Acts of 1973).

Blind Industries and Services of Maryland is a quasi-public, statewide agency that provides rehabilitation, education, vocational training, and employment services to blind and severely multi-handicapped blind Marylanders. Its general supervision and control are vested in eleven trustees appointed for three-year terms by the Governor with Senate advice and consent.

The agency is open for the labor and manufactures of all blind citizens of Maryland over eighteen years of age who can give satisfactory evidence of character and ability to do the work required. All profits from the operation of blind industries are used to further the agency's usefulness. Blind Industries and Services of Maryland establishes and operates centers for the training, rehabilitation, and employment of the adult blind of Maryland. In addition, the agency teaches adult blind persons the day-to-day skills necessary to live in a sighted society (Code 1957, Art. 30, secs. 3-10, 30A).

To carry out these programs, Blind Industries and Services of Maryland operates four Divisions: Vending; Industries; Training; and Services.

VENDING DIVISION

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The Vending Division serves through a contract from the State Department of Education's 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 under the Division.

INDUSTRIES DIVISION

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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 Industries Division operates plants at 322 Paca Street, Cumberland, and at the Northwood Industrial Park, Salisbury.

TRAINING DIVISION

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The Training Division provides free instruction in alternative techniques for blind people, including