

State Senators from Tri-County area: John N. Bambacus; Victor Cushwa.

House of Delegates members representing Allegany, Garrett and Washington counties: Peter G. Callas; George C. Edwards; Kevin Kelly; Donald F. Munson; D. Bruce Poole; Casper R. Taylor, Jr.; Betty Workman.

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Functions of the Tri-County Council for Western Maryland originated with the formation of the Governor's Council for Appalachian Maryland in 1968. The Governor's Council was replaced in 1971, when the Tri-County Council for Maryland was chartered as a nonprofit corporation to serve Maryland's western counties of Allegany, Garrett, and Washington. Formerly under the Department of Economic and Community Development, the Tri-County Council for Western Maryland became an independent agency in 1986 (Chapter 861, Acts of 1986).

The Tri-County Council is an association of the local governments of Allegany, Garrett and Washington counties. It serves as a regional planning and development agency for the tri-county area. By effectively using State aid, the Council fosters the physical, economic and social development of Western Maryland.

The Council develops and re-evaluates the General Development Plan for Western Maryland at least every four years. Local government loan or grants-in-aid applications submitted to the Council or the State Intergovernmental Assistance Clearinghouse fall under Council review as do local plans, project proposals, and ordinances affecting areas beyond the boundaries of local government but within Western Maryland.

To facilitate planning, the Council may prepare studies of the region's resources, gather and analyze social and economic data, and join with other government agencies, educational institutions, and private organizations in coordinating research. The Council also may monitor and coordinate any additional research programs that serve Western Maryland, except those subject to State or federal control.

The Council cooperates with and provides planning assistance and information to local, State and federal government.

Annually, the Council submits its proposed work program and operating budget for the following fiscal year to the Department of Housing and Community Development.

The Council is comprised of twenty-seven members. Twenty-three are voting members and four are nonvoting members. From each county, the Council has three representatives of county government appointed by the county commissioners, and one elected municipal official chosen by the respective municipal governments of the county. Also serving on the Council are the county economic development directors; three private sector representatives; as well as House of Delegates members who represent Allegany, Garrett and Washington counties; and the two State Senators who reside in the tri-county area (Code 1957, Art. 20A, secs. 1-101 through 3-102).

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### UNINSURED EMPLOYERS' FUND BOARD

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*Chairperson:* Paul Richards, 1991

Appointed by Governor with Senate advice & consent: Clement Joseph Prucha, 1991; *one vacancy.*

Marshall H. Feldman, *Director*

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Budget (Code 22.10.00)	
FY1989 Total Appropriation .....	\$374,999
General Funds* .....	\$374,999
FY1989 Total Authorized Positions .....	8

\*Cost of administering the Board shall be paid from general funds, and the general funds of the State shall be reimbursed by Workers' Compensation Fund (Code 1957, Art. 101, sec. 91(6)).

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#### *Annual Report to Governor due Oct. 1.*

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The Uninsured Employers' Fund Board was created in 1983 to protect workers whose employers are not insured under Workmen's Compensation (Chapter 576, Acts of 1983).

The Board supervises the operation and administration of the Uninsured Employers' Fund (Code 1957, Art. 101, secs. 90-102).

The Board's three members are appointed to four-year terms by the Governor with Senate advice and consent. One member each represents management, labor, and the public.