

Established in 1983, the *Rape Crisis Program* gives specialized support to victims of rape and sexual assault. Sixteen community-based organizations provide telephone hotlines, counseling, and medical and legal accompaniment.

The *Homeless Women's Shelter Program* originated in 1980 from legislation to establish a model crisis shelter for homeless women. Currently, the Program maintains ten homes, which provide temporary residence and counseling to enable clients to secure more permanent living situations and resolve the problems which led to the homelessness.

The *Transitional Housing Program* was created in 1986 as part of the Governor's Housing Initiative. Three pilot projects were established consisting of small multifamily residences with supervision and on-site support services. Homeless single mothers and their children live in the residences for up to eighteen months while the women obtain the education and skills needed to become self-sufficient.

#### MARYLAND COMMISSION FOR WOMEN

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The Commission originated in 1965 as the Governor's Commission on the Status of Women. To examine pressing social problems and foster an understanding of issues affecting women, the Commission was reactivated in 1968 as the Maryland Commission on the Status of Women. The Governor directed the Commission to review the previous Commission's recommendations on education, employment, and community and civic participation, and to implement those most pertinent. The Commission also cooperated with State and local organizations to identify problems and improve opportunities for women to serve in a variety of fields.

In 1971 the Commission on the Status of Women became part of the Department of Human Resources (Chapter 57, Acts of 1971). The Commission adopted its present name in 1976 (Chapter 119, Acts of 1976).

The Maryland Commission for Women promotes the study and review of the status of women in the State. To strengthen home life, it directs attention to critical problems confronting women as wives, mothers, homemakers, and employees. The Commission recommends ways to overcome discrimination in public and private employment and encourages women to become candidates for public office. In addition, the Commission promotes ways for women to develop skills, continue education, and secure retraining.

The Governor appoints to the Commission twenty-four members who seek to improve the status of women. Members include both men and women and represent various fields of interest to women of different ages and geographic regions of the State. Members serve four-year terms (Code 1957, Art. 49C, secs. 1-8).

#### GOVERNOR'S COMMISSION ON MIGRATORY & SEASONAL FARM LABOR

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At the request of the General Assembly, the Governor created the Commission in 1959 as the Governor's Committee for the Regulation and Study of Migratory Labor in Maryland (Joint Resolution no. 9, Acts of 1959). In 1971, the Committee was assigned by Executive Order to the Department of Employment and Social Services and reassigned in 1976 to the Department of Human Resources. In 1981, the Governor, by Executive Order, reconstituted the Commission under its present name within the Department of Human Resources and expanded its mandate to include seasonal farm workers within the State.

The Commission develops and recommends standards for housing, sanitation, health, and welfare for out-of-state farm laborers who travel, live, and work in Maryland.

Appointed by the Governor, the Commission consists of representatives from State agencies, labor, grower and management organizations, and the general public.