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#### EDUCATION & OUTREACH

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Organized in 1989, Education and Outreach is responsible for Documents for the Classroom; Teachers' Institutes; the Biographical Initiative; College Internships; and Research Outreach.

*Documents for the Classroom.* This program makes facsimiles of original documents available for use by teachers and students in elementary and secondary schools, as well as colleges and universities.

*Teachers' Institutes.* Each summer, the State Archives conducts teachers' institutes on how to use original sources in the classroom. Throughout the year, Education and Outreach personnel also assist teachers and school systems in developing curriculum incorporating original sources.

*Biographical Initiative.* Education and Outreach conducts biographical research projects focused on government officials, Civil War veterans, or other historical figures.

*College Internships.* Each summer, internships are offered for college students to learn archival and historical methods at the State Archives.

*Research Outreach.* State Archives staff make presentations to requesting groups on the use of archival materials in historical or genealogical research.

#### EXHIBITS

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The State Archives creates historical exhibits. Currently showing in the new Hall of Records Building are "Charting the Chesapeake, 1590-1990," and "Providence Plantation, Anne Arundel County's First Settlement." At the State House are exhibits relating to the history of the State House; Annapolis, the Capital; and Maryland and the U.S. Constitution. Traveling exhibits include "Colonial Encounters in the Chesapeake: The Natural World of Native Americans, Europeans, and Africans, 1585-1800;" and an exhibit relating to the Chesapeake Bay Agreement.

#### GEOGRAPHICAL SERVICES

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Geographic records useful to planners, surveyors, title professionals, and others concerned with land use in Maryland are maintained by the State Archives. These materials include land records; sur-

veys; plats of subdivisions and condominiums; and other court records. Reproductions of original documents and microfilm of many records, as well as scanned images in a number of graphic formats, may be obtained at the Archives. Finding aids are available to assist in the use of these records.

*Survey Materials.* Many retrospective collections of survey materials are available on microfilm. The State Archives offers a subscription service furnishing aperture cards of plats received from the courts on a weekly basis.

*Land Records.* The State Archives distributes microfilm of land records on a subscription basis as they are received from the courts. Retrospective collections of microfilm also are available.

For geographical services, the State Archives provides telephone reference from 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. In many instances, requests for information can be answered within 24 hours.

#### GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS & LIBRARY

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*Government Publications.* Publications and reports of State government agencies date to the early 19th century. They, with the publications and reports of county and municipal governments, have been collected by the State Archives since 1947.

The State Archives also is an official depository for county charters, codes, and laws (Code 1957, Art. 25, sec. 32A; Art. 25A, secs. 3B(3), 7(b); Art. 25B, secs. 7(b)(3), 12(b)). Municipal charter amendments and annexations, after publication, are deposited annually with the State Archives by the Department of Legislative Reference (Code 1957, Art. 23A, sec. 17C).

*Library.* Formally organized in 1940, the Library is a reference collection which focuses on works that supplement the holdings of the State Archives. These include published records and sources on Maryland history, government biography, geography, and natural resources; county, city and town histories; regional studies; Chesapeake Bay; research guides; genealogies; and archives administration, conservation, and preservation.

The Library of the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) was transferred to the State Archives in June 1987. The DNR Library includes materials collected since 1942 on Maryland natural resources, wildlife, fisheries, forestry, water resources, and the environment.