



**Maryland Commission on  
Indian Affairs**

Annual Report  
**2020**





State of Maryland  
Office of the Governor

## A MESSAGE FROM GOVERNOR LARRY HOGAN

I am pleased to present to you the 2020 Annual Report of the Maryland Commission on Indian Affairs (MCIA). This report highlights the work and accomplishments of this Commission over the past year.

In 2020, the Maryland Commission on Indian Affairs created and maintained set initiatives, even through the COVID-19 pandemic. From the beginning, appointed commissioners have served as liaisons for tribal communities and state government, bringing resources to Marylanders in need.

I would like to recognize the leadership of Madam Chair Lisa Savoy of the Piscataway Conoy Tribe, supported by her fellow commissioners, and congratulate the Maryland Commission on Indian Affairs on its perseverance through a difficult year of legislative responsibility and community support to produce positive outcomes.

The success of the Commission was expressed during the 7<sup>th</sup> Annual American Indian Heritage Month Kick-Off held virtually, a first for this celebration, and I commend Administrative Director Keith Colston for his supervision of directives and for continuing commemorative events.

My administration looks forward to supporting American Indians in 2021 and we commend the work achieved by the administrative staff and all commissioners who served in 2020.

Sincerely,

Governor Larry Hogan

## MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF COMMUNITY INITIATIVES EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

The Governor's Office of Community Initiatives (GOCI) coordinates community and volunteer activities statewide and advises the Governor on policies to enhance and improve community programs.

This Office also oversees the work of the Governor's Office on Service and Volunteerism, Volunteer Maryland, the Banneker-Douglass Museum, and community outreach in cooperation with the Governor's Intergovernmental Affairs Office to serve the Executive Branch of Maryland government.

In addition, GOCI coordinates outreach to ethnic communities across Maryland, overseeing the Governor's Office and Commission on Asian Pacific American Affairs, the Governor's Commission on Hispanic Affairs, the Governor's Commission on Middle Eastern American Affairs, the Maryland Commission on African Affairs, the Maryland Commission on Indian Affairs, the Maryland Commission on New Americans, and the Maryland Commission on African American History and Culture.

I would like to congratulate the Maryland Commission on Indian Affairs and each of the Commissioners that serve as representatives for Governor Hogan and your respected communities. Congratulations to Madam Chair Lisa Savoy. I would like to also acknowledge Keith Colston, Administrative Director, for his management of MCIA, as well his involvement as a designee on various state agency groups.

I believe that with continued perseverance of volunteerism and excellence in leadership, the Commission will continue to meet its goals and directives.

Sincerely,

Steven McAdams  
Executive Director  
Governor's Office of Community Initiatives

## A MESSAGE FROM THE COMMISSION CHAIR

Dear Friends and Colleagues,

It gives me great pleasure to present to you the 2020 Annual Report of the Maryland Commission on Indian Affairs. Each annual report serves as a reporting mechanism concerning the duties, initiatives, and outcomes of the Commission. Highlights of the accomplishments that our Commission achieved are viewed through summaries and photographs. During the entire month of November, we recognize and honor the historical and cultural significance of the American Indian community here in Maryland, and we work hard to continue this each day throughout the year.

We are reminded of the turbulent times we all face during COVID-19, and the social climate we all face here in our great state and those outside our borders nationally but working with Governor Larry Hogan and his Administration concerning the health, economy, education, and overall customer service to all Marylanders has been greatly felt by our commissioners and those we have engaged.

It has been an honor to serve as Chair during my final year as a commissioner. I am humbled to witness and participate in positive and historical changes under Governor Larry Hogan's administration. This past year we have focused on creating more efficient pathways to partnerships with a goal to reach as many individuals as possible. This was accomplished by utilizing new strategies, as well as modern communication platforms to remain visible and impactful.

The Commission would like to thank the Executive Director of the Governor's Office of Community Initiatives, Mr. Steven McAdams, for the years of support during my term and to the tribal communities of Maryland.

Sincerely,

Lisa A. Savoy  
Piscataway Conoy Tribe



## Administrative Summary

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I am pleased to present the administrative summary for the Maryland Commission on Indian Affairs (MCIA). This summary will list a number of annual events, committee initiatives, meetings, outcomes and accomplishments. More than 120 actions and events through administrative director reports were presented during Commission public meetings. Each initiative and goal set forth produced a measurable result. Below are specific achievements and events that include three (3) annual and two (2) major initiatives:

- **Strategic Planning Session** – On Wednesday, January 8, 2020 – MCIA commissioners and administrative staff met to discuss a variety of topics. Two major agreements included: 1) Choosing a set theme for the year would be “Pathways to Partnerships.” 2) Deciding that each chair and vice-chair elected would receive training on the Open Meetings Act. Commissioners would also agree to a more aggressive approach and involvement in the initiatives newly created and ongoing.
- **COVID-19 and Personal Protective Equipment Distribution** – As for many in March of 2020, the COVID-19 caused a major disruption in daily activity and routine. MCIA answered the needs of tribal communities by assisting in the outreach and distribution of personal protective equipment (PPE). An ongoing priority is to not only distribute needed items, but to also relay updated information from the Hogan Administration to the communities we serve.
- **Census2020** – May 7, 2019 served as a deadline for additional membership to the Complete Count Committee (CCC). Administrative Director E. Keith Colston was selected to represent the American Indians and Indigenous communities as a member of the committee. The CCC met on a continuous basis during in-person settings or conference calls well into 2020. This was to ensure “hard to count” populations would be represented in the Census2020.
- **7<sup>th</sup> Annual American Indian Heritage Month Kickoff Commemorative celebration**– On Monday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2020, the kick-off ceremony officially marked the beginning of the 2020 American Indian Heritage Month celebration in Maryland. The event was held virtually for the first time due to COVID-19. The kickoff allowed for a panel discussion and awards ceremony. A panel discussion centered on the theme for 2020, “Pathways to Partnerships,” which took place in the beginning of the kickoff. The awards ceremony honored various individuals nominated by their community or organization. The Maryland General Assembly approved HB 40 requiring the Governor to annually proclaim November as American Indian Heritage Month in Maryland.
- **American Indian Heritage Day** – On Friday, November 27<sup>th</sup>, 2020, American Indian Heritage Day was established when the Maryland General Assembly approved HB83 in 2008. The 4<sup>th</sup> Friday in November celebrates the history, culture, accomplishments, and modern day activities of the Indigenous Peoples of Maryland. This is also the reason public schools are closed that day. Port Discovery Children’s Museum celebrated American Indian Heritage Day virtually, with tribal representation and assistance. MCIA provided relevant commentary via social media outlets as well.

The Maryland Commission on Indian Affairs is a body of nine (9) individuals (8 currently seated) that are nominated and appointed by the Governor. The work of the Commission not only concentrates on major events but includes day to day correspondence between the Administrative Director and with other entities (not limited to): Maryland Emergency Management Agency (MEMA), Maryland State Archives (MSA), Maryland Historical Trust (MHT) and Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT). We remained persistent with our work and the support of the Governor's Office of Community Initiatives. I am humbled to serve as the Administrative Director and the work presented in our 2020 Annual Report.

E. Keith Colston  
Administrative Director, MCI



**Strategic Planning Session (SPS)** – On Wednesday, January 8, 2020 MCIAC commissioners and administrative staff met in Crownsville for review of the 2019 and future goals and initiatives for 2020. The day began with the call to order from Madam Chair Savoy. Remarks were given by Administrative Director Colston. Discussion on topics outlined in the agenda ranged from training on the Open Meetings Act to the theme set for the year. Below is the official record for the SPS. Due to the pandemic, decisions relating to physical locations and public gatherings had to be altered or cancelled.

I. Topics of Open Discussion: Non-voting topics

1. Location - 2020 American Indian Heritage Month Kickoff – Miller Senate Building, Annapolis, MD
  2. Commissioner Tasks – Assigned during February 3<sup>rd</sup> Public Meeting
  3. Community Participation – Brainstorm ideas to build participation
  4. Panel Discussion – Representatives from current MCIAC partners/entities
  5. Travel Reimbursements – Overview by Administrative Director Colston
  6. American Indian Heritage Month Day – End of Year-Long Theme
  7. Bylaws – Updates – See Motion – Commissioner Rico Newman
  8. Committees – Advised to have two major goals
  9. Membership – No changes to process or documents
  10. New Initiatives and on-going initiatives - Review
2. GOCI Initiatives and Events
1. Joint Commission's Legislative Night – End of March
  2. Spiritual Leaders Summit/Initiative

The Strategic Planning Session allows each commissioner to review current bylaws, committees, and an open discussion amongst the group. The event allows for a plan of action for the year and outcomes to positively affect Indigenous communities for years to come.



**COVID-19 and Personal Protective Equipment Distribution** – On Thursday, March 5th, the State of Maryland received confirmation of the first three (3) positive COVID-19 cases. The Governor declared a State of Emergency resulting in an increase of the State Activation Level (SAL) to Enhanced. Additional positive cases were confirmed by the State Laboratory. Due to increased response efforts and the need for statewide and interagency coordination, the SAL was increased to Partial. The State Emergency Operations Center (SEOC) is staffed with MEMA personnel and State Coordinating Function (SCF) representatives. By March 12<sup>th</sup>, the Maryland Emergency Management Agency (MEMA) had raised the SEOC Activation level to "Full" and Governor Hogan discussed major changes to combat the pandemic. Telework from home and virtual meetings became the new normal as well as tools for daily operations. The Governor's Office of Community Initiatives, MEMA, and MCIA worked cooperatively to assist in every way possible. Information was provided on an hourly timetable in the beginning of virus onset. Donation collection sites were established, such as the Anne Arundel County Food Bank and the Adventist Church, which would become distribution sites as well. We coordinated with commissioners, volunteers, and staff to provide personal protective equipment (PPE). It has been the priority of MCIA and the Hogan Administration to provide personal protective equipment (PPE) to our tribal communities. This is an ongoing priority as Maryland entered a second wave of the pandemic in early December and remains as of this report. Over 21,000 PPE's distributed with the assistance of staff, commissioners, and volunteers.















2020 American Indian  
Heritage Month Kick-Off  
Youth of the Year

This certificate is awarded to

**Janelle Rodriguez**



The Maryland Commission on Indian Affairs bestows this memorialization of its sincere gratitude to Janelle Rodriguez for your nomination based on your involvement in education and the idea of excellence. We would like to thank those responsible for your nomination and their active role in the lives of American Indians and Indigenous Peoples in the State.

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E. Keith Coleton, Director of Ethnic Commissions  
Administrative Director, Maryland Commission on  
Indian Affairs

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Date

Adult of the Year

**Danny Michael Hinman**

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Nominated by the Accohannock Tribe -  
Danny Michael Hinman made his way  
to the "spirit world" on July 25<sup>th</sup>, 2020.

He was a river guide since 1995 and a  
proud Accohannock tribal member.

The Maryland Commission on Indian  
Affairs bestows this memorialization of  
its sincere gratitude to Danny Michael  
Hinman given posthumously



## Adult of the Year Hope Butler

Hope Butler

Nominated by the Choptico Band of the Piscataway Conoy Tribe.

Awarded as a result of her work in acquiring and disseminating PPE items (safeguard our people from contracting and spreading Covid-19) to members of Native communities without considering Tribal affiliation or nationality.

Successful eliciting support from churches in three counties to provide areas that aided in distribution of masks and other PPE items.

Garnered support from members of native communities to assist with directing traffic, obtaining tribal information, health status and for having a well-coordinated distribution network over several months.

Ms. Butler is a member of the Cedarville Band of Piscataway and worked hand in hand with her Tribal Band leadership, the Piscataway Indian Nation and the Choptico Band of Indians in acquiring PPE and in doing so helped to.



## Adult of the Year Ani Auld

Ani Auld

Nominated by Native American Lifelines - The mother of 4 Ani of the Navajo Nation, is married to Pamunkey tribal member. Ani spent the past 5 years educating the public on Native tribes and issues.

In 2019, recognized by County Executive Calvin Ball with a Native American Heritage award as a result of her showcasing 8 different tribes and traditions during the first ever Howard County Community Native American Heritage Month Celebration.

On September 15, 2020, Auld was on hand to accept the declaration of the County Executive and Council declared it would now recognize Indigenous Peoples Day over Columbus Day in a ceremony that featured the CEO of the Congress for American Indians in recognition of her work.



## Adult of the Year Ayden Allston

Ayden Allston

Nominated by the Baltimore American Indian Center - Ayden Allston is currently a second-year majoring in Public Health Science at the University of Maryland (UMD) College Park.

Serves as the Secretary for the University of Maryland's American Indian Student Union (AISU). As Secretary of AISU in 2019, attended the annual Big Ten Native Conference in University of Indiana.

Graduated from the Baltimore Polytechnic Institute in 2019.

In 2017, she worked at The Johns Hopkins Whiting School of Engineering, where she conducted research on fiber optics and photonics and was able to present her research at the National Science Foundation in 2018.



## Adult of the Year Andrew Thompson IV

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Nominated by the Native American Lifelines - Mr. Thompson is an enrolled member of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma. Referred to as a great asset to the Baltimore Native community.

Dedication to sharing of cultural teachings with others and his commitment to ensuring Two Spirit community members are seen and supported.

During the early days of the pandemic, generously created and distributed over 500 cloth facemasks to Native individuals and organizations who serve them.

A 9-year veteran of the Army, rank of Sergeant in both Operation Enduring Freedom and Operation Iraqi Freedom. Awarded for his valiance in service.

Earned an AA in Criminal Justice and will graduate from the University of Baltimore in December. Andrew values higher education and will be graduating with honors (Magna cum laude).

He currently serves on the Board of Directors at the Baltimore American Indian Center and is a valued member of the Two-spirit community.

Volunteer of the Year  
**Mike Hinman**

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Nominated by the MCIA Administrative Office - Mike Hinman is the Tribal Chair for the Accohannock Tribe. Mr. Hinman was instrumental in the tribal petition for Maryland Indian Status. He has been the point of contact for all donations to the tribal community. In January of 2020, Mr. Hinman began another year of transporting items from various areas of the state back to Eastern Shore in Somerset County. Constantly volunteering hours of travel, physically involved and awaiting the next opportunity to serve. He serves as a tribal historian and elder of the community.



Volunteer of the Year  
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Located at the Accohannock Tribal Center during a donation and distribution of items



# The State of Maryland



## Proclamation

*From the Governor of the State of Maryland*

### AMERICAN INDIAN HERITAGE MONTH NOVEMBER 2020

- WHEREAS,** *The assemblage of the American Indian in the State of Maryland is immense, stretching from the aesthetic mountains to the shores of the Chesapeake Bay and beyond; and*
- WHEREAS,** *Many of our islands, towns, forest, trails, rivers, streams and historical landmarks bear ties to our Indigenous Tribes/Clan/Bands/Groups of Indians; and*
- WHEREAS,** *The humbled members of the Maryland Commission on Indian Affairs have demonstrated a steadfast commitment to edify the public with infallible facts and spirit of the American Indian people; and*
- WHEREAS,** *During a time of pandemic, commissioners and tribal leaders of the State of Maryland supported initiatives to further progress for health of Indigenous families; and*
- WHEREAS,** *The State of Maryland celebrates the culture and history of all native peoples including members of Maryland State Recognized Tribes, Piscataway Indian Nation, Piscataway Conoy Tribe, and the Accohannock Tribe; and*
- WHEREAS,** *Indigenous Peoples celebrate more than 40 years of service by the Maryland Commission on Indian Affairs and by regulation, establish and oversee a process for an Indian community that is indigenous to the State to apply to the Commission for recognition of Maryland Indian status; and*
- WHEREAS,** *Maryland is pleased to recognize November as American Indian Heritage Month as we celebrate to designate November as one of the commemorative months in the State of Maryland and all Marylanders are encouraged to acknowledge and join in this grand achievement.*

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, LAWRENCE J. HOGAN, JR., GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND, do hereby proclaim November 2020 as AMERICAN INDIAN HERITAGE MONTH in Maryland and do commend this observance to all of our citizens.**

*Given Under My Hand and the Great Seal of the State of Maryland,*

*this 1<sup>st</sup> day of November*

*Two Thousand*

*and twenty*

*Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr.*  
Governor

*Robert H. Lathrop*  
Lt. Governor

*John C. Wolk*  
Secretary of State





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**American Indian Heritage Day** – Friday, November 27<sup>th</sup> marked another year for Indigenous Peoples around the state to acknowledge those tribes that are historical to its borders. Governor Larry Hogan proclaimed this day as American Indian Heritage Day. This will mark the 12th anniversary of the legislation passed (\*HB83) commemorating this day. The day is important for it recognizes and honors the historical and cultural significance of the American Indian community here in Maryland by designating each Friday after Thanksgiving in November since 2008. So much has been accomplished in the past 12 years and the Maryland Commission for Indian Affairs (MCIA) is excited to be there to assist with future accomplishments into the next decade.

MCIA celebrated American Indian Heritage Day to recognize the history and accomplishments of our Indigenous communities and acknowledge those that we work with directly and indirectly. MCIA thanked our wonderful partner, the Port Discovery Children’s Museum, for another year of commemorating this special day virtually as a business. A special thank you was also given to those who are working, volunteering, and assisting during this time of COVID-19. As we prepare for what is referred to as a second wave, our tribal communities persevere.

Tribal communities celebrate this day, never forgetting the struggles and hardships their ancestors have endured including the banning of native languages and customs, forced assimilation, and the breakdown of cultural and social identities of Native peoples by the few that were in position of power. MCIA acknowledged the positive changes and entities like Port Discovery who have worked side by side with tribal representatives.

MCIA reminded those who viewed the online video that actions like American Indian Heritage Month, HB 83 which designated Native American Heritage Day, and State recognition of the Piscataway and Accohannock, have been important first steps in starting a new chapter in our State’s history. Working with Governor Hogan and his administration concerning opportunity, fiscal responsibility, and customer service to all Marylanders has been greatly felt.

During 2020, we have met unprecedented challenges as we manage through the coronavirus. The MCIA will continue to assist Governor Hogan to bolster economic growth in the state, improve the quality of life within our borders, and continue to create partnerships in Maryland that benefit all involved.

*\*The first official designation of the holiday in state history was proclaimed in November 2008. Sponsored by Delegate Talmadge Branch, House Bill 83 also received strong support and leadership from Senator Joan Carter-Conway and delegates Kumar P. Barve and James E. Proctor Jr.*



# The State of Maryland



## Proclamation

*From the Governor of the State of Maryland*

### AMERICAN INDIAN HERITAGE DAY NOVEMBER 27, 2020

- WHEREAS,** *In 2008 House Bill 83 established a legal State holiday - American Indian Heritage Day; and*
- WHEREAS,** *A day honoring Maryland's American Indian Heritage is supported by numerous federally and state recognized Native American tribes throughout the State as well as Port Discovery Children's Museum; and*
- WHEREAS,** *House Bill 83 established the fourth Friday of November as American Indian Heritage Day in Maryland; and*
- WHEREAS,** *The State of Maryland is pleased to honor the rich cultural heritage, proud history and contributions of its own Indigenous Peoples, communities, clans, bands and groups; and*
- WHEREAS,** *Maryland is pleased to recognize American Indian Heritage Day as we celebrate the legislation that designates this day as one of the holidays in the State of Maryland and all Marylanders are encouraged to acknowledge and join in this grand achievement.*

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, LAWRENCE J. HOGAN, JR., GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND, do hereby proclaim NOVEMBER 27, 2020 as AMERICAN INDIAN HERITAGE DAY in Maryland and do commend this observance to all of our citizens.**



Given Under My Hand and the Great Seal of the State of Maryland,  
this 27th day of November  
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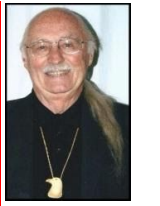

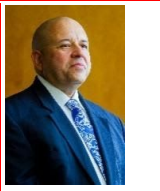


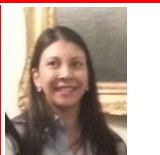
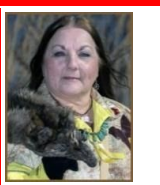

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Lisa Savoy, Chair		Piscataway Conoy Tribe	Charles County
Robert Gajdys, Vice Chair		Mohawk Tribe	Calvert County
Claude Bowen		Archeologist	Prince Frederick
Peter Brooks		Piscataway Conoy Tribe	Baltimore County
Sherry Ayers		Lumbee Tribe	Baltimore County
Guy Wells		Cherokee Tribe	Prince George's County
Rebecca Stone		Chickasaw Nation of Oklahoma	Howard County
Donna Abbott		Nause-Waiwash	Dorchester County
			

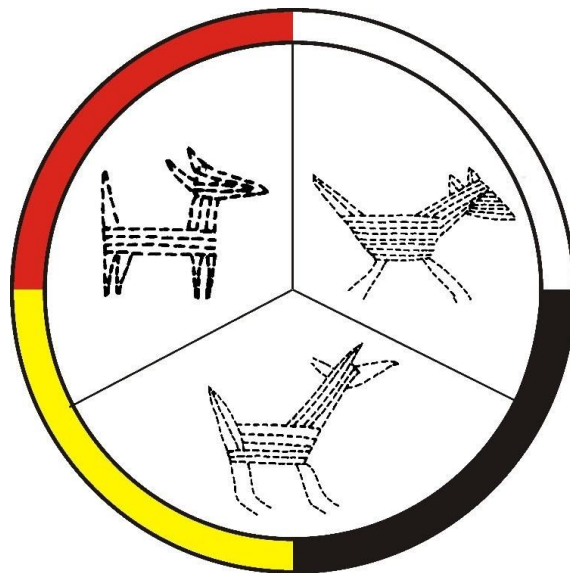


# List of Maryland Commission on Indian Affairs Public Meetings

## Due to COVID-19 Regular Schedule Altered

February 3, 2020	Crownsville, Maryland	7:00 pm to 9:00 pm
June 8, 2020	Online – Virtual	7:00 pm to 9:00 pm
August 10, 2020	Online – Virtual	7:00 pm to 9:00 pm
October 13, 2020	Online – Virtual	7:00 pm to 9:00 pm
December 7, 2020	Online – Virtual	7:00 pm to 9:00 pm

The Maryland Commission on Indian Affairs held all of the regularly scheduled public meetings at the 100 Community Place, Crownsville, Maryland. After the February 3<sup>rd</sup> regular public meeting, MCIAC quickly adjusted to virtual meetings utilizing the GOOGLE MEET platform. A special thanks to all of our guest speakers and presenters who share valuable information with our commissioners and visiting audience. We are especially thankful to each Marylander for taking your time to witness the business of the Commission being conducted.

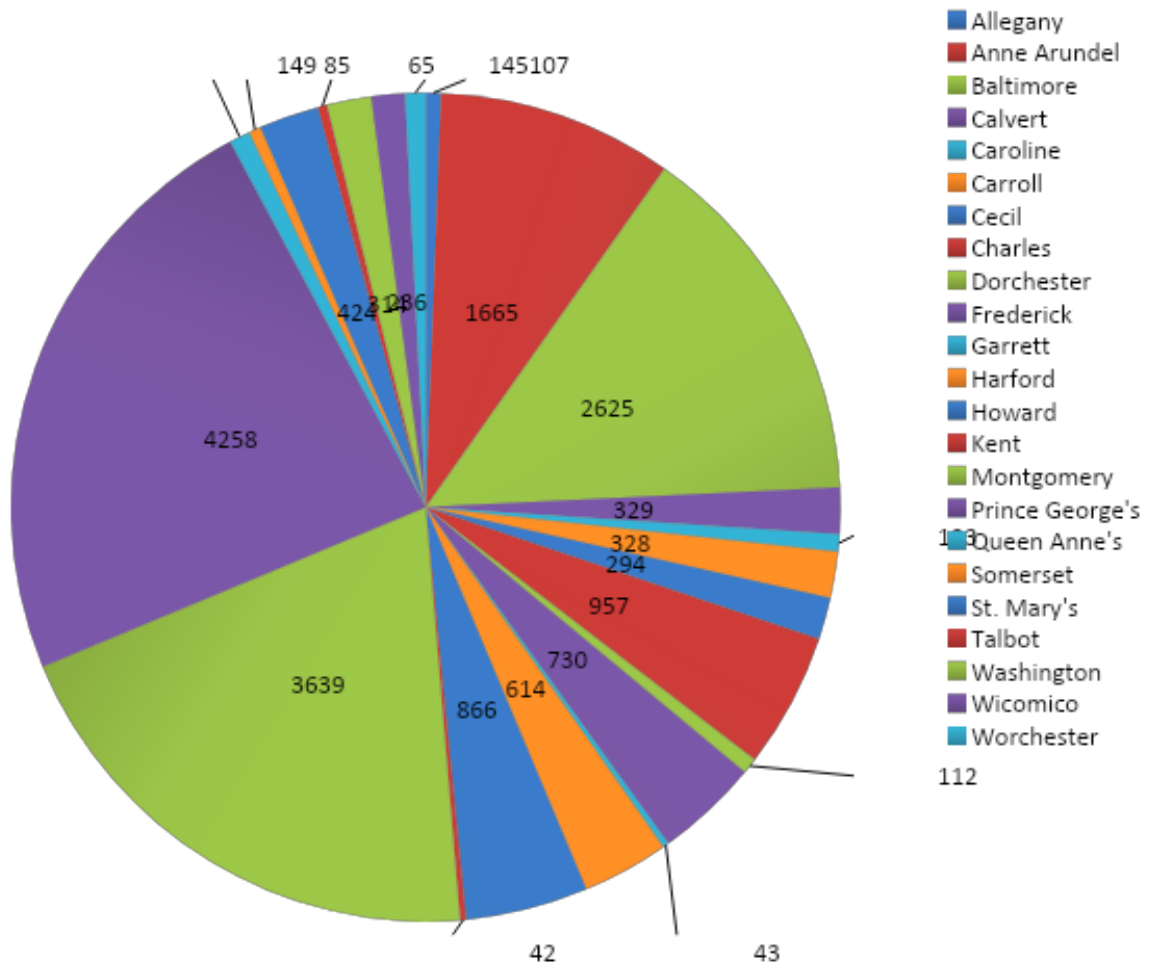


**Table 17. American Indian or Alaska Native Alone or In Combination with One or More Other Races in Maryland by Jurisdiction, 2010**

	All races	American Indian	% of jurisdiction that is Am-Indian	% of Maryland Am-Indian Pop that lives in the Jurisdiction
<b>MARYLAND</b>	<b>5,773,552</b>	<b>58,657</b>	<b>1.02%</b>	<b>100.00%</b>
<b>NORTHWEST AREA</b>	<b>485,999</b>	<b>3,681</b>	<b>0.76%</b>	<b>6.28%</b>
GARRETT	30,097	141	0.47%	0.24%
ALLEGANY	75,087	406	0.54%	0.69%
WASHINGTON	147,430	1,120	0.76%	1.91%
FREDERICK	233,385	2,014	0.86%	3.43%
<b>BALTIMORE METRO AREA</b>	<b>2,662,691</b>	<b>25,131</b>	<b>0.94%</b>	<b>42.84%</b>
BALTIMORE CITY	620,961	6,441	1.04%	10.98%
BALTIMORE	805,029	7,395	0.92%	12.61%
ANNE ARUNDEL	537,656	5,347	0.99%	9.12%
CARROLL	167,134	973	0.58%	1.66%
HOWARD	287,085	2,887	1.01%	4.92%
HARFORD	244,826	2,088	0.85%	3.56%
<b>NATIONAL CAPITAL AREA</b>	<b>1,835,197</b>	<b>21,175</b>	<b>1.15%</b>	<b>36.10%</b>
MONTGOMERY	971,777	9,613	0.99%	16.39%
PRINCE GEORGE'S	863,420	11,562	1.34%	19.71%
<b>SOUTHERN AREA</b>	<b>340,439</b>	<b>4,982</b>	<b>1.46%</b>	<b>8.49%</b>
CALVERT	88,737	1,068	1.20%	1.82%
CHARLES	146,551	2,683	1.83%	4.57%
ST MARY'S	105,151	1,231	1.17%	2.10%
<b>EASTERN SHORE AREA</b>	<b>449,226</b>	<b>3,688</b>	<b>0.82%</b>	<b>6.29%</b>
CECIL	101,108	936	0.93%	1.60%
KENT	20,197	136	0.67%	0.23%
QUEEN ANNE'S	47,798	350	0.73%	0.60%
CAROLINE	33,066	330	1.00%	0.56%
TALBOT	37,782	213	0.56%	0.36%
DORCHESTER	32,618	315	0.97%	0.54%
WICOMICO	98,733	761	0.77%	1.30%
SOMERSET	26,470	240	0.91%	0.41%
WORCESTER	51,454	407	0.79%	0.69%

Source: 2010 Census Demographic Profiles, Department of Planning, Projections and Data Analysis/State Data Center, May 2011[1]

# Maryland American Indian Population by County





### **The Meaning of the Logo**

The symbols of the Maryland Commission on Indian Affairs logo are representations of historical findings, cultural ideology, and unity. Three ancient drawings found in Maryland, represent the first Indigenous Peoples of the State. The four colors represent the four directions (North, South, East and West) traditional to American Indians and the “circle” that connects us all.

### **Mission Statement**

The Maryland Commission on Indian Affairs works to serve as a statewide clearinghouse for information; to identify unmet social and economic needs in the native community; to support government education programs for American Indian youth; to provide support in the process of obtaining Recognition of State and Federal Indian Status; and to promote the awareness and understanding of historical and contemporary American Indian contributions in Maryland.



## MARYLAND INDIAN STATUS

Piscataway Conoy Tribe (MARYLAND INDIAN STATUS –Enrolled members of the Piscataway-Conoy Tribe (PCT))

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