



News Release

Office of the Comptroller Launches Applications for Agency's Advisory Councils

Agency encourages community members to submit applications by September 5; New membership to be announced in October

ANNAPOLIS, Md. (August 5, 2025) — The Office of the Comptroller has launched the application process for Marylanders to serve on one of the agency's nine public Advisory Councils for the 2026 through 2028 calendar years on Tuesday.

Advisory councils were a key [recommendation by the Comptroller's transition team](#) and provide opportunities for members of the public to share their expertise, perspectives, and recommendations to help inform the agency's strategic direction and strengthen the agency's connections to the community.

Marylanders can submit [applications](#) for one of the agency's nine advisory councils through September 5, 2025. New advisory group members will be announced in late October.

Each advisory council meets quarterly, and members serve two-year terms. Current advisory council members are encouraged to apply for a second term.

The advisory councils are:

- **Business Advisory Council** includes industry representatives and prominent members of Maryland's business community, including small-, minority-, and women business owners, who help to advise the agency on priority and emerging issues and challenges facing the business community, as well as provide perspective on the state of Maryland's economy.
- **Climate Advisory Council** helps the Comptroller to position Maryland as a national leader on climate sustainability. The Council supports and reviews the Comptroller's development of a climate sustainability plan that includes tools and strategies for measuring the climate impact of state contracts and spending, investments, and economic and fiscal policies.

- **Faith Leaders Advisory Council** helps the Comptroller's Office develop partnerships with Maryland's faith community to ensure that organizations of all denominations have access to agency resources.
- **Financial Literacy Advisory Council** helps to support the development of a robust financial literacy agenda that positions the Comptroller of Maryland as a go-to, state-wide resource.
- **Labor Advisory Council** provides a venue for the Comptroller of Maryland to share information about new ideas and initiatives and solicit feedback on legislative and policy proposals that best serve the working people of the state.
- **Local Government Advisory Council** shares information about relevant updates in county/municipal jurisdictions while also elevating areas of concern and opportunities for partnership.
- **New Americans Advisory Council** works closely with the Comptroller of Maryland to improve the quality of services delivered by the agency and address gaps in services provided to new Americans in the state. They also advise the agency on emerging topics/issues within the new American community and identify partnership opportunities throughout the state.
- **Tax Practitioners Advisory Council** advises the Comptroller of Maryland on tax industry challenges and provides feedback on proposals and new initiatives to improve the quality of services provided to Maryland taxpayers and ensure industry accountability.
- **Women's Economic Empowerment Council** advises the Comptroller of Maryland on financial challenges facing women in Maryland and potential opportunities to strengthen and promote women's financial resilience – through financial education, addressing financial abuse (in domestic violence for instance), in starting and growing businesses, and improving access to state resources, contracts, and grants.

The agency published the [2024 Comptroller of Maryland Advisory Councils and Workgroups report](#) in May, summarizing the progress and recommendations made by current advisory council members since Comptroller Lierman took office in 2023. More information about the Comptroller of Maryland's Advisory Councils can be found at www.MarylandComptroller.gov/Advisory

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