

News Release

Comptroller of Maryland Announces New Advisory Councils and Work Groups to Help Guide Agency

New groups to include business leaders, policy experts and community partners to advise on agency, its policies, priorities and new initiatives

ANNAPOLIS, Md. (May 23, 2023) — Maryland Comptroller Brooke Lierman today announced that she will be convening 11 new Advisory Councils and Work Groups to provide opportunities for members of the public to help advise the agency on its strategic direction. An application process has been opened for those who would like to serve on these groups.

"A key recommendation of our <u>Transition Report</u> was to strengthen the links between the Comptroller and community by creating work groups to hear from residents, make recommendations, and ask questions of the administration. Today's announcement is a major step forward toward delivering on that goal and ensuring that our operations are strongly and continually rooted in best serving Marylanders," **Maryland Comptroller Brooke E. Lierman said**. "I am excited to build these new bridges between our team and the public and encourage anyone interested in applying to do so right away."

The Office of the Comptroller will establish 11 new Advisory Councils and Work Groups, including:

- -- Business Advisory Council
- -- Climate Advisory Council
- -- Faith Leaders Advisory Council
- -- Financial Literacy Advisory Council
- -- Information Technology Work Group
- -- Labor Advisory Council

- -- Local Government Advisory Council
- -- New Americans Advisory Council
- -- Staff Advisory Council
- -- Tax Practice Work Group
- -- Women's Economic Empowerment Council

The Comptroller's Advisory Councils and Work Groups are expected to begin meeting this summer. Groups will meet quarterly and members will serve two-year terms. Only those individuals who submit a completed application will be eligible to serve on an Advisory Council or Work Group. The deadline to apply is June 23, 2023. Applications and additional details are available at www.marylandtaxes.gov/getinvolved.

"I am dedicated to creating an Office of the Comptroller that champions policies and forges partnerships that help make Maryland more equitable, resilient and prosperous," **Comptroller Lierman said**. "By bringing together residents from all walks of life and with a wide variety of perspectives and experience, these new Advisory Councils and Work Groups will help increase the agency's transparency and effectiveness, ultimately enabling us to better deliver on our mission of serving the people of Maryland."

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