

- ✦ *The Standards for Excellence®: An Ethics and Accountability Code* are best practices for organizational governance, management, policies and procedures, and legal compliance for the nonprofit sector. The code is published by the Maryland Association of Nonprofit Organizations and can be accessed here <https://standardsforexcellence.org/Home-2/code#>

- ✦ Under the Maryland Solicitations Act, a charitable organization soliciting in Maryland generally must file documents with the Office of the Secretary of State. Registration is required prior to the commencement of solicitations. The type of registration required depends upon the level of charitable contributions received by a charitable organization. <https://sos.maryland.gov/Charity/Pages/Registering-Charity.aspx> provides instructions for registration.

- ✦ To locate your District Council Member or the Council Member representing the District where your organization is located, please visit: <https://voterservices.elections.maryland.gov/PollingPlaceResults>

NOTE: [There also are now two \(2\) At-Large Council Members who represent the entire County.](#)