

Maryland Federal Facilities Profile

National Archives and Records Administration (NARA)



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Department: National Archives

Maryland Employees: 882

History & Mission: Congress established the National Archives in 1934 to preserve and care for the records of the U.S. Government. Previously, Federal records were kept in various basements, attics, abandoned buildings, and other storage places with little security or concern for storage conditions. In 1935, Archives staff began to survey Federal records and the next year began transferring records to the new National Archives building in Washington, DC. From one building on Pennsylvania Avenue, the National Archives now has over 40 facilities nationwide including field archives, Federal Records Centers, Presidential Libraries, the Federal Register, and the National Historical Publications and Records Commission.

National Archive's Mission is to provide public access to Federal Government records in our custody and control. Public access to government records strengthens democracy by allowing Americans to claim their rights of citizenship, hold their government accountable, and understand their history so they can participate more effectively in their government.

The Vision is to transform the American public's relationship with their government, with archives as a relevant and vital resource. This vision harnesses the opportunities to collaborate with other Federal agencies, the private sector, and the public to offer information—including records, data, and context—when, where, and how it is needed. We will lead the archival and information professions to ensure archives thrive in a digital world.

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Resources

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National Archives in College Park

The National Archives in College Park houses textual and microfilm records including cartographic and architectural holdings; the Nixon Presidential Materials; electronic records; motion picture, sound, and video records; the John F. Kennedy Assassination Records Collection; still pictures; the Berlin Documents Center microfilm; and textual records from most civilian agencies and military records dating from World War II.

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Washington National Records Center

The Washington National Records Center was dedicated in 1966. It encompasses approximately 789,000 square feet of space and has a capacity to hold over 3.9 million cubic feet of federal records. WNRC provides records management services to headquarters and field offices of federal agencies located in the District of Columbia, Maryland, Virginia, and West Virginia. It also serves federal courts located in the District of Columbia and armed forces worldwide.

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