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Forty years of professional experience in community & economic development and housing at the State and Federal Government and with nonprofit organizations.

**WORK EXPERIENCE**

**MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**, Division of Neighborhood Revitalization, 1973-2007. Held numerous management positions, including:

- Special Assistant to the Assistant Secretary
- Director, Office of Special Projects & Planning
- Director, Regional Development and Outreach
- Director, Office of Commercial Revitalization
- Coordinator, Maryland Small Cities Community Development Block Grant Program

Represented the Department to the Boards of Takoma-Langley Commercial Development Authority; Neighborhood Housing Services of Baltimore; and NCAL Research.

**U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT**, Philadelphia Regional Office and National Headquarters, 1966 – 1973. Served as a Relocation Assistant in the Urban Renewal Program, and as a Management Intern.

**AFFILIATIONS**

**Mid-Atlantic Regional Council**, National Association of Housing and Redevelopment Officials (MARC-NAHRO), Vice-President for International

**National Association of Housing and Redevelopment Officials**, NAHRO, Member, International Committee, Vice-Chair, 1999-2001

**United Nations Economic Commission for Europe**, Housing and Urban Management Network to Committee on Housing and Land Management

**Maryland-Kanagawa, Japan Sister-State Program**, Chair, Cultural Committee and Member, Women's Committee

**Baltimore Women's Giving Circle**, Co-Chair, Post Grant Evaluation Committee

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**Anne Arundel Women Giving Together**, Chair, Post Grant Evaluation Committee

**Small Business Awards Breakfast**, Baltimore District, Chair, Trade Show

**Lamda Alpha Land Economics**, Baltimore Chapter, Member, former Vice-President for Program and Membership

**Housing Commission of Anne Arundel County**, former Vice-Chair

**Arundel Community Development Services**, Member, Board of Directors

**Owner and Operator** of a Bed and Breakfast

**EDUCATION**

**University of Southern California**, Masters of Public Administration

**Indiana University**, Bachelors, Government Major

**University of Maryland**, Certificate in Housing and Community Development

**University of Geneva**, Certificate in International Organizations