USM Overview

Undergraduate Students: **122,835**
Graduate Students: **41,664**
Full-time Faculty: **8,658**
Part-time Faculty: **8,545**
Staff *(various categories)*: **38,134**
Facilities: **100 sites**
Buildings: **Nearly 1,000, including 20 libraries**
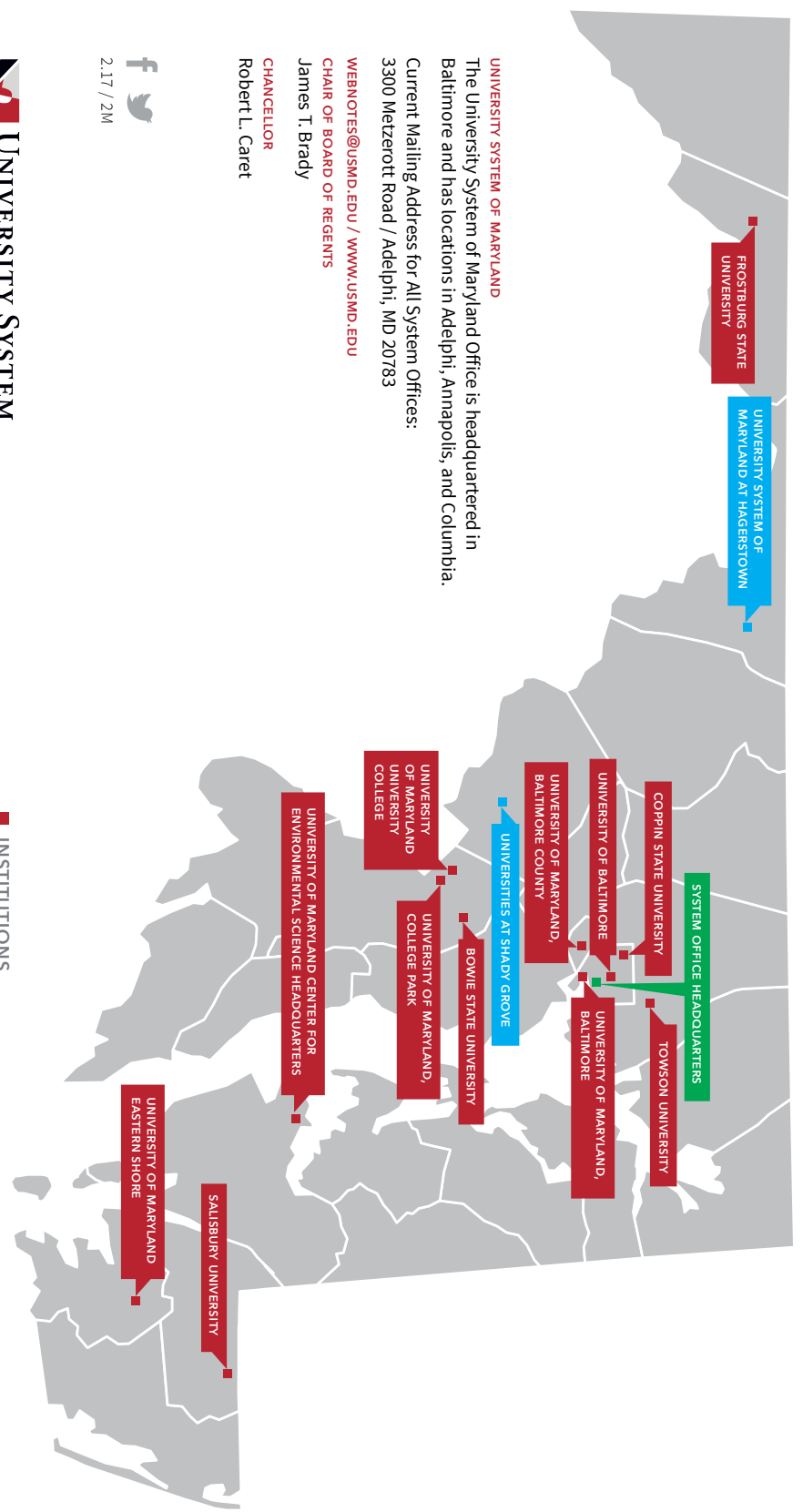Operating Budget: **$5.31 billion** *(FY 2017)*

UNIVERSITY SYSTEM of MARYLAND

Map legend

- INSTITUTIONS
- REGIONAL HIGHER EDUCATION CENTERS
- SYSTEM OFFICE HEADQUARTERS

Map labels

- FROSTBURG STATE UNIVERSITY
- UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF MARYLAND AT HAGERSTOWN
- UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND UNIVERSITY COLLEGE
- UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND, BALTIMORE COUNTY
- UNIVERSITY OF BALTIMORE
- COPPIN STATE UNIVERSITY
- SYSTEM OFFICE HEADQUARTERS
- UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND CENTER FOR ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE HEADQUARTERS
- UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND, COLLEGE PARK
- UNIVERSITIES AT SHADY GROVE
- BOWIE STATE UNIVERSITY
- UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND, BALTIMORE
- TOWSON UNIVERSITY
- UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND EASTERN SHORE
- SALISBURY UNIVERSITY

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The University System of Maryland (USM) is the state's public higher education system. It comprises 12 institutions, two regional higher education centers, and a system office working together to improve the quality of life in Maryland through excellence and innovation.

- **Enrolled 164,499 students** in FY 2016, more than 90 percent of the enrollment in Maryland's public, four-year institutions.

- **Granted 38,292 degrees** in FY 2016, including more than 71 percent of all bachelor's degrees awarded in Maryland.

- **Awarded 6,438 undergraduate STEM (science, technology, engineering, and math) degrees** in FY 2016, enhancing Maryland's ability to thrive and compete in these high-demand fields.

- **Continued to improve affordability.** Average undergraduate tuition for full-time, in-state students, once ranked seventh highest, now ranks 23rd nationally.

- **Increased need-based, institutional financial aid** for students by nearly 110 percent since 2004.

- **Saved students nearly $1,000,000 in textbook costs** through the Maryland Open Source Textbook initiative, a collaboration between the USM Student Council and USM's Kirwan Center for Academic Innovation.

ADVANCING ACADEMIC AND RESEARCH EXCELLENCE, USM:

- **Boasts nine institutions ranked among the nation's best** in specific categories by *U.S. News & World Report*: Bowie State University; Frostburg State University; Salisbury University; Towson University; University of Baltimore; University of Maryland, Baltimore (UMB); University of Maryland, Baltimore County (UMBC); University of Maryland, College Park (UMCP); and University of Maryland Eastern Shore.

- **Celebrates UMCP's No. 20 ranking among public research universities nationally** and its recognition among the top 50 Best Global Universities by *U.S. News & World Report*.

- **Takes pride in UMBC being ranked among the nation's top universities** for innovation (No. 5) and undergraduate teaching quality (No. 18) nationally by *U.S. News & World Report*.

- **Applauds UMCP's, UMB's, and UMBC's rankings among the top 500 universities worldwide** by the Center for World University Rankings.

- **Celebrates UMBC's and UMCP's rankings** among *Kiplinger's Personal Finance* "Best Values in Public Colleges."

Note: For information on current rankings of all USM universities, visit
WWW.USMD.EDU/NEWSROOM/USMRANKINGS.HTML

- **Applauds University of Maryland University College's** top 10 ranking among online and nontraditional colleges in *Military Times'* "Best for Vets" colleges.

- **Celebrates USM's ranking (as one collective institution) among the top 100 Most Innovative Universities** by *Reuters*.

- **Competed successfully for more than $1.27 billion in external grants and contracts** in FY 2016, supporting vital research and development.

USING RESOURCES WISELY, USM:

- **Saved more than $540 million** since 2003 through its Effectiveness and Efficiency initiative.

- **Maintained favorable debt ratings from bond-rating agencies**, including a rating of Aa1 from Moody's Investors Service. USM is one of only 21 public higher education institutions to earn one of Moody's top two ratings. (Latest Moody's survey, July 2015)

- **Leads the state in sustainability efforts**, with 60 facilities constructed and/or planned as LEED-certified "Silver" or higher.

- **Raised $277 million in private support in** FY 2016.

FUELING THE STATE'S ECONOMY AND ENHANCING QUALITY OF LIFE, USM:

- **Houses 250 tenants and 6,350 jobs in research parks** at three institutions (UMB, UMBC, and UMCP).

- **Facilitated the creation of 502 companies** since 2011.

- **Won 100 Maryland Innovation Initiative grants (UMB, UMBC, UMCP)**, totaling $10.1 million, in the last four years to assist USM faculty and startups with technology commercialization opportunities.

- **Launched USM's first-ever venture capital fund** to provide critical early funding for USM-affiliated start-up companies.

- **Contributes a powerful alumni base**, with an estimated 70 to 80 percent of its graduates living in and contributing to communities in Maryland.

- **Contributes more than a million hours of service each year to the community** through cultural programs, legal and medical clinics, partnerships with public schools and the business community, and other initiatives.

> "The University System of Maryland is a major educational, research, economic, and social engine for the state. Working with partners statewide, we build on these strengths to improve student success, foster academic and research innovation, advance economic and workforce development, and improve quality of life. We strive to serve our students and our state effectively, efficiently, and with excellence."

— USM Chancellor Robert L. Caret