

furnish other services to the adult blind of Baltimore City and the twenty-three counties.

The Workshop operates through divisions. The Baltimore Training and Work Center, the Vending Stand Division and the Home Service Division are located in Baltimore City. The Western Maryland Training and Work Center is in Cumberland, where the Western Maryland Branch was authorized by Chapter 100, Acts of 1955 and was established to serve the blind adults of the three western counties. The Eastern Shore Training and Work Center, located in Salisbury, was established in May 1969, to serve blind adults in that area.

The Vending Stand Division manages the operations of vending stands on Federal, State, and local government properties and on private properties. The Federal Stand Program was officially established in 1936 and the Maryland Workshop for the Blind was made the licensing agency and served as such until August 31, 1958. By Public Law 565, the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation of the State Department of Education was designated as the licensing agency for the vending stands located on Federal properties. The provisions of this law became effective under an agreement dated September 1, 1958, between the Maryland State Board of Education and the Maryland Workshop for the Blind under which the latter agency has continued to serve in a management capacity. In addition, the Workshop is the distributing agency of the Library of Congress for the U. S. Government owned talking book machines. It also provides white canes without charge to blind persons (Code 1957, 1967 Repl. Vol., Art. 30, secs. 4-10).

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