

under satisfactory conditions of housing, sanitation, health, and welfare (Res. No. 9, Acts of 1959).

The Committee consists of the following members or their designees: the Secretary of Human Resources, the Director of the Social Services Administration, the Executive Director of the Employment Security Administration, the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene, the Secretary of Agriculture, the State Superintendent of Schools, the Commissioner of Labor and Industry, the Superintendent of the Maryland State Police, the Director of the Cooperative Extension Service of the University of Maryland, the Executive Secretary of the Catholic Rural Life Conference, the Executive Secretary of the Mid-Atlantic Food Processors Association, the Executive Secretary of the Maryland Farm Bureau, Inc., the Secretary-Treasurer of the Maryland-District of Columbia AFL-CIO, the Executive Director of the Maryland Food Committee, Inc., the President of the Maryland Vegetable Growers' Association, the President of the Tri-County Migrant Committee, Inc., and a representative of the migrant community.

CENTER FOR DISPLACED HOMEMAKERS

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The Maryland Center for Displaced Homemakers opened in October 1976. Funded through the Department of Human Resources, the program is administered by Baltimore New Directions for Women, Inc.

A displaced homemaker is defined as a person over thirty-five who has been primarily a homemaker, is not gainfully employed, has depended on the income of a family member, and has lost that income as a result of separation, divorce, or the death of the supporting member, or who has depended on government assistance for which the homemaker is no longer eligible.

The Center offers workshops on such topics as returning to the job market, evaluating obstacles to employment, and recognizing skills developed through education, homemaking, and volunteer experiences. Counseling and resource/referral services are offered to help resolve the problems experienced by displaced homemakers. In addition, academic, on-the-job, and self-employment programs are offered to meet individual needs.

MARYLAND EX-OFFENDER PROGRAM

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The Maryland Ex-Offender Program (MEP) was created in August 1975 to provide an innovative approach to serving the employment and related needs of ex-offenders (citizens arrested or convicted but no longer incarcerated) and incarcerated persons.

MEP provides both manpower services and related supportive/social services to ex-offenders in the Baltimore area. These services include pre-release assistance such as interview and assessment, personal counseling, employment counseling, job search and retention skills workshops, referral to specific social services (e.g. family, marital, alcoholic, narcotics counseling), classroom training, on-the-job training, and job development. Post-release services offered include the services cited above as well as job placement, follow-up, and follow-through.

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The Maryland Service Corps was created in 1972 to promote and support a statewide program of voluntarism and citizen participation to strengthen the capability of public and private non-profit agencies to provide certain services (Chapter 354, Acts of 1972).

The Corps recruits, trains, and places volunteers directly through agreements with host agencies, including county departments of social services, health departments, commissions on aging, community action programs, and a variety of other programs. The Service Corps also provides technical assistance to agencies in order to enhance the quality and effectiveness of voluntarism and citizen participation in Maryland. This