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INFORMATION MEMORANDUM  
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TO: STATE VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION AGENCIES (GENERAL)  
STATE VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION AGENCIES (BLIND)  
CLIENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS  
REGIONAL REHABILITATION CONTINUING EDUCATION PROGRAMS  
RSA SENIOR MANAGEMENT TEAM

SUBJECT: Randolph-Sheppard Vending Facility Program, FY 2000 Annual Report

Attached is a copy of the Rehabilitation Services Administration (RSA) FY 2000 annual report that is based on the "Report of Vending Facility Program" (Form RSA-15) for the reporting period October 1, 1999 through September 30, 2000 submitted by State licensing agencies pursuant to the Randolph-Sheppard Act.

The Randolph-Sheppard Vending Facility Program has continued to provide persons who are blind with remunerative employment at increasing levels of earnings. A total of 2,729 blind vendors operated 3,279 vending facilities located on Federal and other property. The program generated \$471.1 million in gross income and \$93.9 million in net earnings to vendors. This resulted in national average annual vendor earnings of \$34,337.

The Mississippi Rehabilitation, Research and Training Center on Low Vision and Blindness prepared this comprehensive Annual Report. Funding was provided by RSA. The Report contains extensive statistical and financial information that can be used to enhance and promote the Randolph-Sheppard Program.

INQUIRIES: Please direct any questions concerning this report to:  
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Commissioner

Attachment