

## 1 Make Disciples

Jesus commanded us to 'go and make disciples' (Matthew 28:19). The Salvation Army is first and foremost an evangelical branch of the Christian Church—'salvation' is in our name. A disciple follows a teacher and submits to their direction. We believe the ultimate way to care for people, transform lives and reform society, is by helping people know Jesus Christ and follow his direction. To do this, Salvationists need to keep their own faith alive and relevant.

- ▶ **New:** helping people decide to follow Jesus for the first time
- ▶ **Dynamic:** helping disciples of Jesus have a faith that is dynamic; that affects every aspect of their life.

## 2 Increase Soldiers

The Soldier's Covenant and Junior Soldier Promise call for radical lifestyle commitments that are often counter to the culture of the day. Soldiers who remain true to their promises make a tremendous impact for God in their communities and the wider world. They make the values of the Kingdom of God the standard for their lives.

The Salvation Army promotes soldiership as a relevant and useful framework within which people can live out their Christian discipleship.

- ▶ **Recruit:** increasing our fighting force by inspiring and enrolling new soldiers
- ▶ **Deploy:** helping all soldiers to live out the promises in their Soldier's Covenant or Junior Soldier Promise

## 3 Fight Injustice

The Salvation Army has a strong heritage of social action. This goal reflects our ongoing commitment to advocate for human dignity and social justice alongside the poor and oppressed.

- ▶ **Mobilise:** 'make ready for action'—inform, encourage people to get to know those who are facing injustice, train and call to action
- ▶ **Act:** not just talking about fighting injustice, but getting personally involved. 'What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if someone claims to have faith but has no deeds?' (James 2:14).

## 4 Develop Leaders

Ongoing focus on leadership development is critical to achieving our mission goals. More leaders will enable us to seize new opportunities. Better leaders will help us to be more effective.

- ▶ **Equip:** help people develop the skills to lead effectively
- ▶ **Empower:** encourage and authorise leaders to have a go while providing support

### Get involved

- ▶ **Believe in Jesus** and choose to follow him.
- ▶ **Deepen your faith** in God through personal prayer, Bible reading and meeting with other Christians.
- ▶ **Serve others** Practice hospitality, share your faith and stand against injustice.
- ▶ **Attend prayer meetings** at your local corps.
- ▶ **Help someone else** with their spiritual journey.
- ▶ **Use the resources** available for free download at [www.salvationarmy.org.nz/tsmp](http://www.salvationarmy.org.nz/tsmp).

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- ▶ **Attend a preparation class** and find out if soldiership is for you.
- ▶ **Re-read your Covenant** or Junior Soldier Promise and allow God to challenge you through its words.
- ▶ **Be deployed** Are you active in your community? Are you involved in corps ministry? Have you considered serving with your local Salvation Army social services?
- ▶ **Encourage others** toward soldiership by testifying about the meaning of soldiership in your life.

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- ▶ **Join a discussion** Or research a particular injustice issue.
- ▶ **Purchase justly** What different choices could you make to help eradicate poverty?
- ▶ **Make a difference** in your community. Find out about local issues of injustice and mobilise others to become involved.
- ▶ **Support Salvation Army activities** such as the Self Denial Appeal, child sponsorship, overseas development projects and your local social service centre.
- ▶ **Share information** you receive about social justice with others.

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- ▶ **Take responsibility** for self development. Read widely, attend training events and meet with others for accountability.
- ▶ **Identify potential leaders** and encourage them.
- ▶ **Meet one-on-one** Use the TSMP Coaching Kit to help.
- ▶ **Train your leaders** Run training events or take your leaders to those provided elsewhere; include leadership thoughts or training in your meetings.



# Mission Focused

This is our overall approach to everything we do. It means being intentional. It means working hard and looking for the best ways to do everything—working together, doing ‘whatever it takes’.

- ▶ **Connected:** building community, working together, involving others, keeping each other informed
- ▶ **Streamlined:** ‘made more efficient, especially by simplifying’ (Collins English Dictionary)

## Get involved

- Help us** care for people, transform lives and reform society.
- Practice hospitality** Invite people into your home.
- Be strategic** Think: is this the best way to advance our mission?
- Involve others** Think: who else could be involved?
- Review** Ask: how effective are programmes at my corps/centre?

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A wide range of practical resources is available to support these goals, including small group studies, training courses, sermon outlines, workbooks and ideas for getting started. These resources can be downloaded for free from [www.salvationarmy.org.nz/tsmp](http://www.salvationarmy.org.nz/tsmp). We thank God for what has been achieved with TSMP, and with your involvement, look forward to what is still to come.



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# TSMP

## TERRITORIAL STRATEGIC MISSION PLAN

SEPTEMBER 2013

As a **Mission Focused** Army we will:

CONNECTED  
STREAMLINED

1 **Make Disciples**

NEW  
DYNAMIC

2 **Increase Soldiers**

RECRUIT  
DEPLOY

3 **Fight Injustice**

MOBILISE  
ACT

4 **Develop Leaders**

EQUIP  
EMPOWER

The Salvation Army is an international movement and an evangelical branch of the Christian Church. The mission statement of the New Zealand, Fiji and Tonga Territory is ‘caring for people, transforming lives and reforming society, through God in Christ by the Holy Spirit’s power’.

This Territorial Strategic Mission Plan (TSMP) identifies five areas that senior leadership have identified, through prayer and consultation, as having the greatest potential to help us be even more mission effective. These five areas are presented as our overall mission approach and four supporting goals.