

After much prayer and widespread consultation, territorial leadership has decided to extend the current Territorial Strategic Mission Plan (TSMP) to 2013 under the banner of **TSMP: The Next Chapter**.

**We remain committed** to our overriding mission of **Caring for People, Transforming Lives and Reforming Society**.

**TSMP mission goals** are intended to provide intentional focus so that all parts of The Salvation Army work effectively and collaboratively to support territorial mission.

# GOAL 1 ▶

## Make Dynamic Disciples of Jesus

Loving God and loving others is at the heart of dynamic discipleship.

We will know we are succeeding with this goal when:

- ▶ every corps/centre has a plan for helping people to explore the Christian faith. As a result, people are deciding to follow Jesus
- ▶ empowered and directed by the Holy Spirit, followers of Jesus are:
  - ▶ Dedicating themselves to God fully
  - ▶ Taking responsibility for their personal spiritual growth
  - ▶ Increasing their understanding of the Bible and applying this to their daily lives
  - ▶ Exercising stewardship of God's created world
  - ▶ Sharing their faith
  - ▶ Demonstrating love for others
  - ▶ Discovering their leadership potential

Dynamic disciples are growing in their love for God and love for others as followers of Jesus Christ

Soldiers who are true to their covenant make a tremendous impact for God

# GOAL 2 ▶

## Increase the Number of Soldiers

The Soldier's Covenant and Junior Soldier Promise call for radical, lifestyle commitments that are often counter to the culture of the day. The Salvation Army promotes soldiership as a relevant and useful framework within which people can understand and live out their Christian discipleship.

We will know we are succeeding with this goal when:

- ▶ all soldiers speak highly of their covenant and are convinced of its worth in their life
- ▶ more soldiers are actively engaged in our mission; mobilised to save and to serve others
- ▶ soldiers have regular opportunities to consider and reaffirm their covenant
- ▶ our senior and junior soldiers rolls increase

# GOAL 3 ▶

## Take Significant Steps to Eradicate Poverty & 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.

We will know we are succeeding with this goal when:

- ▶ every person in every centre is increasing their involvement to reduce poverty and injustice
- ▶ every centre is involved in some collective form of social justice action
- ▶ there is increasing awareness of social justice issues, with ideas on how to combat these
- ▶ some Salvationists are taking the lead and making an impact as social justice champions
- ▶ the New Zealand, Fiji and Tonga Territory takes a united approach to specific issues

Our aim is to mobilise more people in the fight against poverty and injustice

We want leaders who are known for their personal integrity and servant hearts—leaders who empower others

# GOAL 4 ▶

## Be a Connected, Streamlined & Mission-Focused Army

We achieve far more for God when we all work together. We'll know we are succeeding with this goal when we are:

- ▶ connected ...
  - ▶ all officers, staff and Salvationists are well informed about The Salvation Army's direction
  - ▶ there is a culture of working together
- ▶ streamlined ...
  - ▶ robust decision-making processes are in place that advance, rather than hinder, mission
  - ▶ our headquarters function as servants and champions of mission
- ▶ and mission-focused ...
  - ▶ every centre knows how they help achieve our mission
  - ▶ we review and adapt—doing 'whatever it takes'

**Leadership Development:** Ongoing focus on leadership development is critical to achieving our mission goals.

# ENSURING OUR SUCCESS

## Strategic Approach

To provide resources that assist corps, centres and headquarters to put plans in place for **all** four goals, in **each** of the following three areas of focus:

- ▶ **engage:** help people understand and support each goal
- ▶ **equip:** help people develop the skills and resources to live out each goal
- ▶ **empower:** release (commission and support) people to achieve each goal

## Communication

Effective communication is essential to our success. Regular reporting will generate momentum as good ideas and resources are shared and people are helped to remain focused on our mission goals.

# THE NEXT CHAPTER

We thank God for all who have contributed to developing the Next Chapter of TSMP—with their prayers and by taking part in the consultation process.

**Our mission and values are re-affirmed.**

**Our goals are updated.**

**A picture of success is added. Strategies are set.**

**Resources are provided.**

Now it's up to each of us to follow the Holy Spirit's leading ... **and make it happen!**

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