

SALVATION ARMY SERVICE UNITS

What can a Service Unit do during a Disaster?

In the event of a disaster, The Salvation Army's service units are ready to respond. Already equipped with a working knowledge of the community and its social service programs, service units are prepared to efficiently distribute food, aid with lodging, clothing and household items, and to provide spiritual counseling. The Salvation Army is on scene for the victims and the emergency responders.



How are the Service Units funded?

The Salvation Army Service Extension program is funded through donations, Christmas Kettles, Community Funds, estates and mail appeals. Funds received by The Salvation Army are used to benefit the area they originated from and support the statewide services as well. Representatives from each local community volunteer to provide the assistance.



How Do I Get More Information?

Contact the Service Extension office at:
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Mission Statement

The Salvation Army, an international movement, is an evangelical part of the universal Christian Church. Its message is based on the Bible. Its ministry is motivated by the love of God. Its mission is to preach the gospel of Jesus Christ and to meet human needs in His name without discrimination.

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A Service Unit is composed of local volunteers who know their community very well. The Service Unit provides local, regional and national Salvation Army services in communities where the Army has no Church/Community Center.

Service Units are

- Community representatives interested in the spiritual, moral and physical well-being of others.
- Applying their commitment to The Salvation Army's mission by bringing needed help to their local communities.
- Translating volunteers' interest in The Salvation Army into active involvement, working with clients and dispensing and raising funds for the work of the organization.



What is the purpose of a Service Unit?

Providing immediate emergency assistance, a service unit exists to help others at their greatest point of need. It is not the purpose of The Salvation Army to duplicate the work of other agencies; our purpose is to fill needs not being met elsewhere. The Salvation Army's service units strive to help those in need in their communities resolve a crisis or emergency with practical aid, personal support and sincere compassion. In addition to local assistance, The Salvation Army's network of statewide services are available through the service unit.



SERVICE UNIT ASSISTANCE/PROGRAMS

What type of assistance is provided?

Service unit aid is intended to be temporary. Families or individuals needing long-term assistance are referred to governmental social service departments. However, families waiting to receive tax-supported assistance are eligible for aid.

Aid is varied according to the needs of the local community. The following list of services is taken from actual service unit records and can be provided in any service unit community. This list could be expanded infinitely if each unusual item of aid were to be listed.



Service Unit Aid Includes

- Groceries
- Utility Payments
- Rent Assistance
- Emergency Transportation Expenses
- Clothing
- Emergency Meals
- Emergency Prescriptions
- Assistance for Disaster Victims
- Fuel

"I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me."

Matthew 25:40

Service Unit Programs Include

- Service Extension Camp allowing mothers and their children the opportunity of a family vacation.
- State Patrol Project. Enables State Patrol Officers to assist stranded motorists.
- Back-to-School
- Holiday Food Baskets/Dinners
- Prison Toy Lift allowing incarcerated parents to send a personal gift to their children
- Heatshare, assisting with payments of utility bills.
- Christmas gifts for children
- Students on another road

