

## INTEGRATED MISSION

Integrated Mission is not a program but a way of life built on the foundations of CARE, COMMUNITY, CHANGE and HOPE. Here are ways you can get involved. \*Be intentional to look for opportunities to engage in conversation with the neighbours.

**Youth Centre** 

- 1. Organize a block party in the neighbourhood of your corps and invite the people who live there to participate.
- 2. Coach your child's sports team.
- 3. Plan prayer walks through your neighbourhood.
- 4. Encourage your youth group to plan and engage in a "mission trip" into the neighbourhood surrounding your corps.
- 5. Grow a garden and share produce with the neighbours.

If you are interested in becoming more intentional about Integrated Mission, **contact your Divisional Champion** found on our website: www.salvationist.ca/ integrated-mission/contact/ **Don't forget to follow us on Facebook at:** www.facebook.com/

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Living Outside the Box

## What Is Integrated Mission?

Since its inception, The Salvation Army has shared the love of Jesus Christ, met human needs and been a transforming influence in the communities of our world. Although times have changed, the Army's mission and message have remained the same!

Integrated Mission has no boundaries. Stepping outside the box of our corps buildings into our communities will allow us to be better bridge builders as we build relationships with our neighbours.

John's Gospel helps us understand how Jesus lived out Integrated Mission: "The Word became flesh and blood, and moved into the neighbourhood" (John 1:14 *The Message*). Jesus lived, walked, ate and prayed with the people he met.

Integrated Mission works the same way today. If we live every day in the presence of the One who created us, who loves us and calls us to be his hands and feet, we can't help but live Integrated Mission!

## **From Our Leaders**

"When we take pride in being part of The Salvation Army and the wonderful works we do, but lack the driving passion to win the world for Jesus, there's a disconnect because we're only delivering half of the mission. Jesus calls us to have a heart of compassion and reach out to a needy world. While we care for those who are sick, we should also be concerned for those who are dying in sin. Being a wonderfully run institution is not enough to meet all the physical, emotional and spiritual needs in our communities."

–General André Cox,

International Leader of The Salvation Army

"While we have named Integrated Mission as one of our seven strategic priorities for the territory, in a sense, it is a part of all of them. Perhaps it is what unites the other six. Integrated Mission is evangelism, discipleship, social justice, spiritual health, children's ministries and development of our leadership, in order to better build the kingdom of God. All of our Salvation Army ministries and all Salvationists need to consider the holistic approach to service, to reach out beyond our walls and into the communities we serve; to represent Jesus and replicate his earthly ministry, to reach out to people with help, hope and love, without discrimination. That is what Integrated Mission is all about!"

-Commissioner Susan McMillan, Territorial Commander, Canada and Bermuda

