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If you don't know where you are going, any path will get you there.













What is a Planning Study?

- Planning Study
- Mission Planning Study
- Program Study
- Needs Assessment Study







Purpose of the Study

To aid The Salvation Army in identifying and develop strategies for:

- Current mission strengths and challenges
- Community trends that impact Army's mission
- Current and emerging community needs
- Current/Future Operational Opportunities







Methodology

Interviews - TSA Administration / Staff / Key Community Leaders

Collection & Analysis of Socioeconomic Data – COMMAND PROFILE IM

Analysis of Salvation Army Financial & Program Data

Review of Army Facilities & Locations







- Demographic Trends
- Census Information
- Lifestyle Summaries / Projections
- Character Attributes / Trends



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Comprehensive Area Overview

Prepared for

The Salvation Army Central Georgia Area Command

Research Area Bibb, Crawford, Houston, Jones, Monroe, Peach & Twigg Counties



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Pescription ▲ Indicates the study area percentage is more than 1.1 times the U.S. average ↓ Indicates the study area percentage is less than 0.9 times the U.S. average	Study Area	U.S. Average	U.S. Comparative Index
FAITH INVOLVEMENT INDICATO)R		
Estimated 2012 Households Likely to Be:			
Strongly Involved with Their Faith	37.1%	35.4%	103
Somewhat Involved with Their Faith	30.3%	29.9%	100
Not Involved with Their Faith	32.3%	34.7%	93
Estimated 2012 Households Likely to Have:			
Increased Their Involvement with Their Faith in the Last 10 Years	26.4%	22.1%	119
Decreased Their Involvement with Their Faith in the Last 10 Years	22.3%	23.7%	9.
RELIGIOUS PREFERENCE INDICA	TOD		
Estimated 2012 Households Likely to Prefer:			
Adventist	0.6%	0.5%	122
A Bartist	24.2%	16.1%	15
Catholic	18.0%	23.7%	7/
Congregational	0.8%	2.0%	3
Eastern Religions (Buddhist/Hindu/Shinto/Islam)	0.3%	0.4%	6
▲ Episcopal	3.6%	2.9%	12
A Holiness	1.4%	0.8%	16
↓ Jehovah's Witnesses	0.7%	1.1%	6
▲ Judaism	4.1%	3.2%	130
Lutheran	4.6%	7.2%	6
▲ Methodist	13.0%	10.1%	12
Mormon	0.5%	1.8%	2
New Age	0.6%	0.6%	9
Non-Denominational / Independent	6.3%	6.9%	9
↓ Orthodox	0.3%	0.3%	8.
A Pentecostal	2.8%	2.4%	110
Presbyterian / Reformed	4.9%	4.6%	10
Unitarian / Universalist	0.4%	0.7%	6
↓ Interested but No Preference	3.4%	3.9%	8
Not Interested and No Preference	10.0%	11.1%	9
Likely to Have Changed Their Preference in the Last 10 Years	18.3%	16.8%	10
LEADERSHIP PREFERENCE INDIC	ATOR		
Estimated 2012 Households Likely to Prefer A Leader Who:			
↓ Tells them what to do	3.5%	4.0%	81
Lets them do what they want and is supportive	11.1%	11.7%	9.
Lets them do what they want and stays out of the way	4.9%	4.8%	100
Works with them on deciding what to do and helps them do it	80.6%	79.6%	101

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The Planning Study: The Best Tool In Your Operational Toolbox





Adult Obesity Rate

196 - 296

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2005-2009 American Community Survey







Key Issues to be Addressed

- 1. The Salvation Army's Role as a Service Provider
- 2. Program Effectiveness
- 3. The Salvation Army's Image in the Community
- 4. Significant Community Trends and Projections
- 5. Unmet and Underserved Community Needs
- 6. Community Support for Salvation Army Activities
- 7. Salvation Army Facility & Capital Development Needs
- 8. Organizational Structure & Operations



The Planning Study: The Best Tool In Your Operational Toolbox





Time Table

Phase I	 Pre-Planning Activities Initial site visit with Administration ID & select Planning Committee participants Establish planning parameters/priorities Initial planning meeting - Overview of planning process and specific study components Gathering of information relative to current programs and operations
Phase II	Internal Assessment Tour of facilities/programs Administration interviews/survey Advisory Board interviews/surveys Officer interviews/survey Staff interviews/survey Internal Focus groups Financial and program stat analysis Planning meeting to discuss preliminary findings
Phase III	 External Assessment Key stakeholder/agency interviews/surveys Community leaders interviews/surveys Community needs assessment analysis (<u>Targeted to each location</u>) External Focus Groups Demographics/projections analysis (<u>Targeted to each location</u>) Collection of reports and other planning materials from City, County, United Way and other sources Planning meeting to discuss preliminary findings
Phase IV	Assessment/Analysis Data review/integration Develop facility and program matrix Develop preliminary report of findings and recommendations Planning meeting to discuss preliminary overall report
Phase V	 Develop Final Report of Findings and Recommendations Visioning Meeting with Administration, Advisory Board, Officers and Key Staff







Why Do You Need A Planning Study?

- 1. Establishes where you are as an organization
- 2. Engages the administration / Board / community in the planning process
- 3. Creates ownership in the Army's programs / services
- 4. Develops a roadmap for current and future operations
- 5. Helps to create continuity in operations
- 6. Builds the case for why funders should support programs
- 7. Clarifies your local mission and community impact













Trends — General Strengths

- 1. Name recognition
- 2. Trust in the organization "Culture Code"
- 3. Financial stewardship / use of funding
- 4. Safety net programs / availability
- 5. Christmas Kettles / Assistance
- 6. Disaster services
- 7. Christian based organization







Trends – General Challenges

- 1. Low profile
- 2. Funding of operations
- 3. Infrastructure is aging
- 4. Officer / staff continuity
- 5. Increased competition
- 6. Collaboration with other agencies
- 7. Ability to react quickly to opportunities





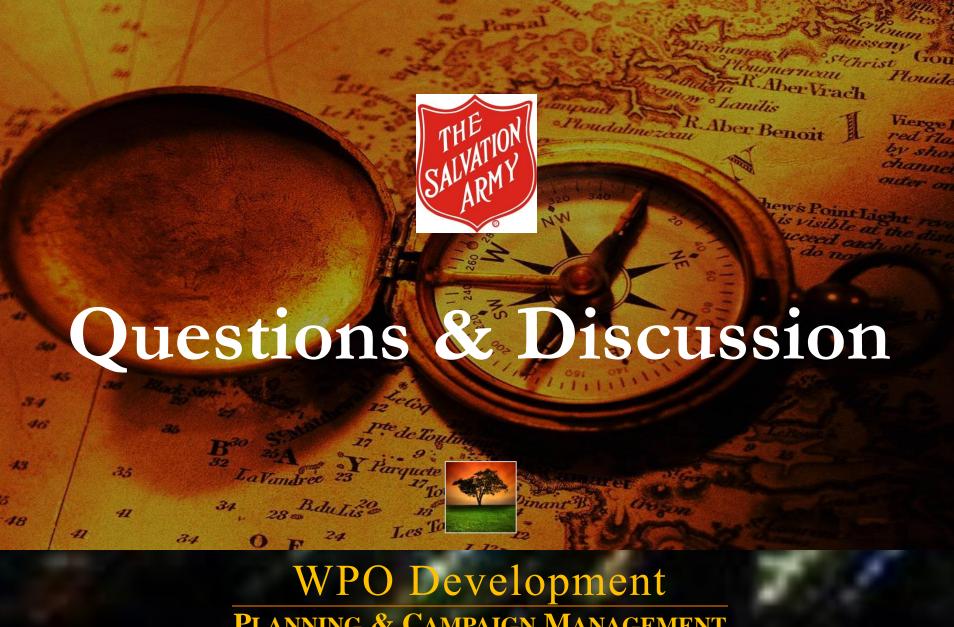


How to Get Started

A Good Planning Study Starts with The Advisory Board

Work with your Commanding Officer locally to initiate discussions on developing a plan

Contact Divisional Headquarters and they will provide directions on how to do a study in your community



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