



The Salvation Army's Response to Disasters in Canada: A Century of Evolution

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Presentation Abstract: In 2021, The Salvation Army delivered essential humanitarian support to residents of British Columbia affected by wildfire and then flooding. That response was based on standards and abilities of the time. The Salvation Army is currently working on the development of Operation Red Shield Readiness which aims to improve its capacities in the 4 pillars of emergency management. This presentation therefore includes a projection of what the Salvation Army's emergency response will be in 2024 after two years of implementation of this project which will also have implications on how NGOs can align with the intervention community.

Section 1. Overview of The Salvation Army response in 2021

Section 2. Operation Red Shield Readiness - what it is, how we plan to increase our capacity and how those enhancements will affect our readiness and response to future responses

Section 3. Future Response based on our commitments through Operation Red Shield Readiness

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