



Mission

Hope Force International is committed to motivating, equipping and mobilizing the global Christian community to respond in times of crisis and chronic need, alleviating suffering and bringing hope through compassionate action.



Vision

Hope Force International is dedicated to providing a clear pathway for Christians, worldwide, to become leading responders to the plight of global suffering.

Core Values

We are committed to:

Loving and obeying God

Loving and serving others

Demonstrating the highest standards of professionalism

Modeling servant leadership

Embracing an environment that fosters teamwork, trust and accountability

Following the ways of God in all that we do

“...WHATEVER YOU DID FOR ONE OF THE LEAST OF THESE...YOU DID FOR ME.”

—Matthew 25:40



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BRINGING HOPE THROUGH COMPASSIONATE ACTION

Why Do We Exist?

Disasters, both man-made and natural, have been on an exponential increase. As Christ followers, we have a mandate to respond to the plight of those suffering from disaster or chronic need. However, while the need is so great and growing daily, the relative number of responders is few. It is our firm belief that there would be a dramatic increase in Christian responders if accessibility to preparation and direct involvement were more attainable.

Increase in those affected by disasters:

- The number of people affected by disasters rose 54% between decades 1983-1992 and 1993-2002. 88% of those affected and two thirds of those killed in the past 10 years lived in the least developed countries.

(Red Cross/Red Crescent 2001 and 2003 World Disaster Reports)

- There was almost a 20% increase in natural disasters worldwide in 2005. Damage reached \$159 billion, which is up 71% from 2004.

(United Nations and Belgium's Louvain Research Center)

A need for disaster relief training:

- A survey completed in 2004 by a consulting firm in Canada found that of 82 relief organizations surveyed, only 20 offered training of any sort. Of these 20, only a handful of organizations offered disaster relief training to the general public on a regular basis – and even fewer offered training from a Christian world view.
- According to the Wirthlin Report, about 67 % of US adults say that they would volunteer their time to get trained and prepare to help, but they do not know how.



The primary focus

of Hope Force International is:

- Training and preparation for disasters
- Immediate relief and aid response
- Recovery and Development projects
- Service to areas of chronic and pre-existing need

Hope Force International's strategy includes:

Hope Centers

- Located strategically throughout the world
- Serving as training centers for HFI Reservists
- Warehousing emergency/disaster relief supplies
- Providing a neutral location for multi-denominational endeavors
- Strengthening community through a common cause

Hope Force Training, including:

- Crisis management
- Grief/trauma counseling
- Cross-cultural sensitivity
- Team building
- Christian discipleship and mentoring
- Community health education
- Volunteer rapid deployment
- Spiritual refreshment and training opportunities for Christian leaders
- First Aid/CPR

Hope Force Reservists

- Pre-qualified individuals comprised of many denominations, nationalities, professions and ages
- Trained in Hope Force basic, intermediate and/or advanced coursework
- Willing to respond within 24-48 hours of a disaster when possible

Hope Force Response Teams

- Comprised of pre-qualified and trained Hope Force Reservists
- Equipped with supplies which have been prepared in advance
- Prepared to receive SOS call and respond quickly to a disaster or chronic need

Hope Force Alliances

- Partnering with churches, businesses, medical personnel, associations and mission agencies
- Predicated upon our Christian faith, common values and purposes

Recovery and Development

- Provision of housing and food
- Development of clean water and sanitation programs
- Economic recovery programs

