

# **OPERATION : MORTAL STORM**

## Mission Statement

Providing Monetary Support to Families One Check Away From Homelessness  
When the Most Powerful Solution Turns Out To Be Money After All

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## **Mortal Storm History**

Operation : Mortal Storm was initiated after experiencing the crowds of people that leave the Cornerstone Rescue Mission each morning in my current city of residence. With a careful eye, I witnessed first-hand the ebb and flow of people to and from the same building three times each day. After breakfast, during lunch, and before dinner every single day for weeks I saw the effects of poverty and homelessness. Over those weeks I only sporadically viewed discernible groupings of ethnicities and gender. Over time, Caucasians, African Americans, Senior Citizens, and Families were all represented in the throngs of people.

## **Homelessness - Statistics Related to Families**

Approximately 3.5 million people are homeless at some point each year.

Around 40% of those people are members of families with children. That averages to 450,000 families on the streets each year.

Almost 50% of those families were forced from their homes after being unable to pay their rent. The primary causes were rising costs of living and consistently flat income rates.

Each year a family is homeless, it becomes increasingly difficult for Husbands and Wives to relocate to an affordable area, find employment, and feed their children.

Many families find themselves living in communal areas filled with other families in similar situations.

During the winter months, a proportion of those families, and individual members of those families, will starve to death, freeze to death, or become the victims of external violence.

## **Mortal Storm - Goals**

The primary goal of Operation : Mortal Storm is to choke off the point of inception that gives rise to homelessness. Very simply, the moment a family is unable to pay for shelter they are in jeopardy of becoming homeless, living on the streets, and very possibly succumbing to the inherent dangers of such an environment. Giving food and clothing means a great deal to combatting poverty, and by extensions, homelessness. However, if we can target the point of hopelessness, that one instant when a family is no longer able to pay their rent, when fear and sadness sets in, we can proactively decrease the incidence of homelessness. The path to regained financial stability from that point is long and difficult, but with the support of companies, families, and individuals in a position to help, it can be done.

## **Mortal Storm - Concomitant Aspects**

When we, as socially responsible members of our society, make the decision to give monetary support to families who truly need it, we become the protectors and guardians of a more stable economy. With fewer families on the streets, we decrease the number of people in the very long queue for federal housing programs, food programs, and other care programs. Everything from child care to senior care becomes easier when there is at the very least shelter.

Psychologically, this also decreases the number of families that must experience the known side effects of poverty.

Emotions such as despair, anger, hatred, and contempt often lead to property damage, theft of food and clothes, violence brought about by acting out on frustrations, and ultimately suicide.

This all results in more optimal spending of Federal, State, and Local tax dollars for projects that every citizen can benefit from. Such projects range from Natural Disaster relief to Cancer and AIDS research; from Public Works to Sustainability.

## Conclusion

It is the informed judgment of this Mission Statement and its Author that providing money to families nearing homelessness will decrease the strain on the following entities:

Law Enforcement - in dealing with the unfortunate effects of poverty, including families freezing to death, suicides, violence, and theft;

Tax Payers - who will ultimately share the burden, although disproportionately, for feeding, clothing, and sheltering the ever increasing numbers of homeless families;

Federal, State, and Local Agencies - that have been feeling the effects of increasing poverty since their formation, including being spread so thin that many people eventually fall through the cracks of a system that was never designed for this number of homeless families, resulting in more unfortunate losses;

Churches - that must turn people away as Benevolent Funds have become nearly non-existent;

Salvation Army - which consistently runs out of money long before the winter months set in;

## How Can I Support Operation : Mortal Storm

Many of us, who have previously been labeled as Wealthy, Successful, Charitable, and Benevolent, have the power to make a difference across the United States by acting on the principles that form the foundation of Operation : Mortal Storm. I ask you to look into your hearts and make another difficult decision; something most of us do on a regular basis.

Operation : Mortal Storm is of great importance. As such, immediate information is available directly on the home page of TriLateral Systems, located at <http://www.trilateralsystems.com>. While there, you can support the program by donating money via the PayPal Donation button located at the right side of the page. Additional methods of support and involvement are being prepared. This Mission Statement will be updated as those become available.

## **About the Author & His Current Contributions**

The Mission Statement you have just read was written by Christopher Thompson. Finding success across a strata of verticals, he is now faced with one of the most complex problems facing the country today; the plight of homeless families. As of the writing of this Statement, Mr. Thompson has given \$25,000 out of his own pocket to jump-start Operation : Mortal Storm. That money is already being provided to families in dire need of shelter and those one foot from the mean streets.