The Salvation Army Spiritual Leader Competency Framework

DISCIPLESHIP - personal holiness

SERVANT LEADERSHIP - relational holiness

Disciplined Disciple/ Personal and Spiritual Formation	Servant of Christ/ Communicating and Influencing	Disciplined Disciple/ Making Decisions	Investor in Others/ Developing People	Leader of God's People/ Providing Purpose and Direction	Minister of the Gospel/ Building Relationships and Networks	Steward of Mission Resources/ Managing Resources and Risk	Agent of Transformation/ Envisioning, Innovating and Leading Change	Partners in God's Mission/ Achieving Results and Bearing Fruit
God-honouring priorities living a life of worship and prayer. Maintaining a healthy lifestyle. Ensuring appropriate care of family and healthy relationships	Authentic discipleship evidence of living in obedience to the life pattern and calling of Jesus, reflecting the nature of a generous God	Engaging with Scripture and in prayer with love, humility and grace to align our decisions with God's priority for our lives	Nurturing disciples of Jesus facilitating spiritual formation, enabling people to identify their giftedness and their place within the body of Christ	Spiritual authority with humility, exercising God's power, for God's purposes, for the blessing and flourishing of others	Creating community building the body of Christ, embracing Koinonia, modelling the ministry of justice and reconciliation	Salvation Army continuity creating a culture that allows people to grow spiritually, encouraging belonging, membership and participation	Pioneering spirit identifying or being a catalyst for new missional initiatives, including reviewing how existing roles, practices, and policies might need revising, reframing or concluding	Covenantal ministry being a faithful partner with God, acknowledging with thanks, evidence of fruitfulness, the privilege and joy of ministry held in tension with the cost and suffering of leadership
Spiritual formation and receiving grace taking responsibility for a deepening love relationship with Jesus, through commitment to spiritual disciplines, and receiving ministry from others	Share the good news of Jesus speaking easily of personal faith and spiritual journey, being a bearer of the good news of Jesus	Personal stewardship being a faithful steward of my time, tithe, gifts, money and possessions, body, mind and spirit, being accountable to God	Accompanied development providing space with accredited practitioner, for support, safeguarding, accountability and development, as appropriate	Thinking theologically and broadening engagement about current and controversial issues, helping others to develop critical openness and shared understanding	Leading worship creatively, that inspires and engages people, communicating Scripture relevantly, forming opportunities for people to meet with God and experience transformation	Using technologies as required to effectively fulfil my role within The Salvation Army, in a changing and developing context for missional outcomes	External engagement increasing missional impact through involvement in ecumenical communities and with community leaders	Kingdom building praying and planning for Kingdom growth where lives are transformed, and people come to know Jesus and life in all its fulness.
Self-awareness and resilience seeking feedback, increasing mindfulness, developing our personal wellbeing	Living out and leading from our values consistently modelling values, building trust, acting ethically, with integrity and mutual accountability	Holy living making personal life choices consistent with Christian living, understanding what drives and motivates me has an impact on my decision making and culture	Wellbeing practice and pastoral responsibilities committing to providing pastoral care and facilitating safety, wellbeing and resilience	Servant leadership prioritising serving, facilitating, empowering others and the mission, through transparency, humility, grace, trust and authenticity	Deepening relationships and networking skills sharing knowledge and good practice, including all stakeholders we serve, for the flourishing of people and mission	Healthy environments that are psychologically/trauma- informed, contributing to health, safety and resilience of provision	Innovation and vision casting facilitating boldness in risk taking, creativity, communicating and supporting appropriately	People focused service seeking justice and reconciliation, responding to issues and concerns, loving others as the way of fulfilling our mission
Personal impact understanding the impact on others of our use of power and influence	Appreciating diversity and having critical openness respectfully listening to, understanding, valuing and working with the perspective of others	Knowing my role being responsible and being accountable to the mission priorities	Overseeing people giving support, supervision, resource, managing expectations, creating opportunities for learning and development, offering mutual accountability	Setting direction and clarifying expectations holding together and aligning our purpose and practice with our goals and objectives, in appropriate and attainable ways	Facilitating belonging creating a culture of inclusion, fulfilling my responsibility to welcome and serve others without discrimination	Managing safety/risk ensuring safe mission, safeguarding, and other statutory requirements are met, supporting an honourable reputation	Decide and plan in alignment with The Salvation Army's vision, mission priorities and values, capturing in mission journal/department strategy to aid review and accountability	Strategic thinking with a broad, long-term, big-picture view, planning for emerging internal and external issues, also responsive to more immediate changing situations
Lifelong learning through welcoming developmental feedback and using reflective practice, contributing to self- awareness, personal growth and development	Influencing and negotiating sharing perspectives with humility and integrity, mindful not to domineer	Decision making and personal reflection with confidence and ownership, through consideration of broad perspectives, informed through analysing data	Learning and development creating opportunities for all, primarily through a coaching or mentoring approach, and facilitating shared learning through building teams	Navigating socio-political environments showing understanding of trends and issues to ensure relevance and ability to serve engagingly	Collaborating across missional contexts, being aware of all stakeholders, creating partnerships and synergy, valuing the contribution of others	Governance applying systems and processes, regularly reviewed and revised, based on values, which ensures the purpose, effectiveness, supervision, culture and accountability of The Salvation Army	Leading change developing facilitation skills with groups to enhance engagement and enquiry. Communicating and managing change processes	Implement decisions planning outcomes and timeframes to drive delivery, taking ownership and responsibility for results
Adaptability and time management managing self, existing and evolving situations	Communicating effectively using a broad range of appropriate formats	Developing listening and discernment practices to enhance our understanding and ability to listen, informing decision making, in line with God's leading	Developing people and talent management investing in talent, valuing potential and diversity, identifying and developing potential leaders, succession planning	Creating culture that honours the Kingdom of God, contributing to life in all its fullness, based on our mission priorities, values, valuing people principles, where the faith journeys of people are respected and nurtured	Mediation and conflict resolution with competence and confidence, graciously handling difficult conversations and situations	Responsible stewardship in line with care for creation, for what and who God has generously entrusted me with, including people, administration, finances, property, resources and technology	Reflective practice and continuous improvement through evidence-based evaluation, assessment of programme and practices, measurement and analysis of results, sharing lessons learned	Acknowledging results and fruit appreciating and celebrating people, events, and projects

MISSION AND MINISTRY - social holiness