

*Help for those who fall through the cracks
in the system.*

SimeCenter also helps 'human-centered' organizations, especially those created to assist writers and artists.

READ A GOOD STORY

DO A GOOD DEED

WHO IS HELPED BY OUR PROGRAM?

The Read a Good Story, Do a Good Deed program is intended to help **people who need temporary financial assistance** for problems not covered by insurance or government programs.

Some examples:

- 1. Insurance co-payments** when medical bills are so high that the 20% co-payment may be thousands of dollars.
- 2. Replacing personal possessions** after a fire, flood or other disaster. Insurance may cover house and furnishings, but what else?
- 3. Pets** who are lost or injured in a disaster--they don't have insurance.
- 4. Abused or abandoned wives.** Frequently they are left without income and no place to go except dangerous shelters or life in a car..
- 5. Any situation requiring temporary financial assistance** for which normal insurance and government programs do not provide.



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Sime~Gen™ Inc.
presents

**An easy, pleasant way for
readers and writers to
help people in need.**

WHY ARE WE DOING THIS?

The "Read a Good Story, Do a Good Deed"(aka SimeCenter) area of simegen.com provides help to people undergoing a short-term financial emergency. We inaugurated it in September 2000, because good friends who had devoted endless hours to helping others for many years suddenly needed help. We came up with a method that allows you to help them, and in return, get something you will enjoy.

SimeCenter moved into a new phase after the tragic events of September 11th 2001: we asked our authors and artists to sponsor charities actively involved in "911" recovery efforts.

Currently, SimeCenter seeks donations to aid victims of last year's devastating natural disasters.

HOW DOES THE PROGRAM WORK?

- 1) Visit the site:
<<http://www.simegen.com/simecenter/>>
- 2) Choose a story or artwork that sponsors have donated on the recipient's behalf.
 - a) Click the recipient organization's logo to visit their website and see what they do.
 - b) Click the name of the story or artwork to access the downloadable copy.
- 3) When you download one of our files, we ask you to donate directly to the recipient: \$2 per story or piece of art.
 - a) You can donate via PayPal, for recipients who accept donations in this form. If you do not have a PayPal account, click the link to set one up. PayPal is a very useful, very secure, international service.

b) You can also write a check or money order made out to the recipient of your choice and mail it directly. (The mailing address is given on the page where the downloadable story/art file is located... Please write 'SimeCenter' in the memo section of the check.)

All donations go directly to the recipients. Nothing goes to the authors or artists who are donating their work, or to Sime~Gen, Inc., which is hosting this site.

We are trusting you to pay. As Stephen King says, "No robbing the blind newsboy."

The stories and artwork themselves are complete, professional, edited work. We can't guarantee that you will like the stories or art--that's a matter of taste, after all--but we do guarantee that you are getting quality creative work.

HOW DO I KNOW RECIPIENTS ARE LEGIT?

Recipients must be sponsored by authors or artists who donate their creative work on the recipient's behalf.

All (individual and family) recipients are formally confirmed by:

**Corporate Security Consulting, Inc.
P.O. Box 26726
Elkins Park, PA 19027-2902**

All recipient organizations are confirmed via one or more on-line charity evaluators.

For further information, visit the site:
<<http://www.simegen.com/simecenter/>>.

HOW DO I KNOW I WILL GET PROFESSIONAL STORIES OR ART?

All authors and artists are professional members of writers' or artists' organizations such as the Author's Guild, SFWA, EPIC, or the Graphic Artists' Guild.

Some of our Artists:

Michael Cox	Tracey Palmer
Geoffrey Chew	Valerie Hardin
Celia Ann Leaman *	

Some of our Authors:

Jayge Carr	Ed Murphy
Jean Lorra	E. L. Noel
Jacqueline Lichtenberg	A.L. Sirois *
Lois June Wickstrom	Stephanie Burke *
Joyce & Jim Lavene	Cory Doctorow
Ardath Mayhar	Jim Kelly

* These amazing people have donated *both* as authors and as artists.

HOW DO I RECOMMEND A RECIPIENT?

If you know someone whose temporary financial problems are not covered by insurance or government programs, first **ask** that person or family for permission, then **contact** us via EMail at:
charities@simegen.com

HOW DO I DONATE STORIES OR ARTWORK?

If you are a professional writer or artist, and would like to support one of our recipients, please write to us:
charities@simegen.com