

# Accurately Understanding Poverty



## History of Poverty

1900-1930-Great Reversal

1929-Great Depression under President Herbert Hoover

1. 25% of all Americans were unemployed

1933-1935-Franklin D Roosevelt's New Deal

1. Stable economy, provide jobs and allow relief
2. Relief, Recovery and Reform

1944-GI Bill introduced

1964- Education was the focus the of anti-poverty campaign

1. 8 million adults had not finished the 5<sup>th</sup> grade
2. Nearly 20 million had not finished the 8<sup>th</sup> grade
3. Nearly 54 million had not finished high school

1964-President Johnson declared War on Poverty

1. Civil Rights Act
2. Head Start
3. Food Stamp Act

1965-Vietnam War

1989-Christian Community Development

## Types of Poverty

### Generational Poverty

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

### Situational Poverty

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

### Homelessness

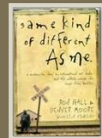
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## Books to Read



### Story of Generational Poverty

See Poverty be the Difference by Dr. Donna Beegle



### Story of Homelessness

Same kind of different as me by Ron Hall and Denver Moore



### Story of Mental Poverty

The Glass Castle by Jeannette Walls

### Barriers to Education-Truman 1946 (Mortenson, Obama)

1. Geography
2. Religion
3. Gender
4. Race
5. Poverty