

# Throwback: M.O.P. -Ante Up

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Lil' Fame and Billy Danze are the Brownsville, Brooklyn hip-hop duo M.O.P. which stands for Mash Out Posse. Their group is named after the gang they started called Mash Out People. The '92 compilation *The Hill That's Real* was their first recording and it preceded their '93 single ["How About Some Hardcore"](#) that was featured on the "House Party 3" soundtrack. The official debut came in '94 with the DR Period produced *To The Death*. M.O.P.'s brazen delivery earned them respect from underground hip-hop fans and their peers. Two years later they signed with Relativity Records and released their sophomore album *Firing Squad*. Over the next two years they released the *Handle Ur Bizness* EP and *First Family 4 Life* album that became the most stolen release at HMV stores in New York City. "Ante Up" was their breakthrough single from 2000's *Warriorz* album that got them heard on mainstream radio. The follow-up single ["Cold As Ice"](#) also received time on the national airwaves. When Loud Records went out of business in 2002 the group was without a recording home and a Greatest Hits collection, *10 Years And Gunnin'* was released by parent label Sony. Roc-A Fella Records signed them but the band left the label after recording three albums that were all shelved. They stayed busy during the time they were without a label and released two mixtapes and a self-titled rock collaboration with the band Shiner Massive. A short stay with G-Unit Records followed in 2005 and *Ghetto Warfare* was released in 2006. *Foundation* was their fifth album and it went on sale in 2009 on the El/Koch imprint. *BrownsVILLAINZ* is their sixth anticipated album and its release date is TBA.