

**LIST OF COMMUNITY PROBLEMS AND NEEDS OF AREA SERVED
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(April 1, 2006 – June 30, 2006)**

1. The on-going problem of crime.
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WPTV SIGNIFICANT PROGRAMS AND BROADCAST EFFORTS IN RESPONSE
TO THE FOREGOING NEEDS AND PROBLEMS OF THE COMMUNITY

- 1.A. TITLE: Various
B. TIME/DAY: Within 5am, 6am
12pm, 5, 5:30 6 & 11pm or Sundays at 6:30am
C. TYPE: Public Affairs
D.SOURCE: Local
E.FREQUENCY: Weekly

Reports and interviews usually two to three minutes in length, which expand upon current problems and issues facing the community.

PROBLEM/NEED 1 – 4/12/06 – Authorities are coming together to let the public know they're tough on gun crimes. The Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms met with police from West Palm Beach and Riviera Beach along with the Criminal Justice Commission to announce the "Hard Time For Gun Crime" initiative. Their goal is to let people know that perpetrators of gun crimes will get hard time in jail. (1-2 minutes in length – 12:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 1 – 5/14/06 – Attorney General Charlie Crist says children will be safer thanks to legislation awaiting the Governor's signature. Crist is applauding the state legislature for passing a bill putting a new child predator "cyber crime" unit into law. Crist started the special unit last fall and since then 17 people have been arrested on charges of child pornography, solicitation and traveling to meet a child for sexual purposes. (1-2 minutes in length - 6:00AM)

PROBLEM/NEED 1 – 5/24/06 – An arrest warrant is out for an 18 year old Deerfield Beach man police say scrawled anti-Semitic messages on a west Boca Raton business. Investigators say 18-year-old Connor Ranieri confessed to the incident at the Yiddishkeit Judaica store in west Boca over the weekend. Instead of turning himself in, police say Ranieri has hired a lawyer and may be in North Carolina. (1-2 minutes in length 6:00AM)

PROBLEM/NEED 1 – 6/10/06 – Many Hispanic illegal immigrants are targeted for robbery because they are known to carry large amounts of cash. But law enforcement hosted an event to help more than 200 Guatemalans lined up at a local park to get IDs and passports through the consulate of Guatemala. They were photographed and fingerprinted for the IDs that will allow them to open bank accounts. Area banks were there to help. Local police departments organized the Hispanic outreach to help Guatemalans feel safe in their community and let them know law enforcement is there to help. (1-2 minutes in length – 11:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 1 – 6/16/06 – Crime in Belle Glade actually dropped under Chief Albert Dowdell. That’s according to the latest figures released by the state and city. This seems to contradict allegations made by some residents and city leaders that crime is running rampant in Belle Glade. In 2005, crime was 13% lower than in 2003, and aggravated assaults were at their lowest level in five years. Chief Dowdell is on suspension while being investigated for corruption and a botched investigation of an October shooting. (1-2 minutes in length - 5:00AM)

PROBLEM/NEED 1 – 6/27/06 – The man accused of assaulting Miami Dolphins player, Jason Taylor plead not guilty in court in Miami. The man faces charges of hate crime, negligence and resisting arrest. After avoiding a head-on collision with Taylor, the man came out of his truck using racial slurs and threatening to kill Taylor. (1-2 minutes in length – 5:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 1 – 4/21/06 – A former music teacher at an Okeechobee middle school is under arrest, accused of molesting a student in her class. A 30-year-old woman was arrested on charges of sexual battery on a child. She taught music and band at Yearling Middle School from 1998 to 2004. The alleged victim says the teacher molested her for several years, beginning when she was 13 years old. (1-2 minutes in length – 5:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 1 – 4/22/06 – Police have arrested the second suspect in a shooting at a West Palm Beach Subway sandwich shop. The suspect was charged with attempted armed robbery and attempted first degree murder. Police say the 24-year-old is the older of two suspects caught on surveillance tape holding up a Subway store early last week. The Subway clerk was shot and remains hospitalized. (1-2 minutes in length - 6:00AM)

PROBLEM/NEED 1 – 6/20/06 – Deputies have made an arrest in the attack of a wheelchair bound man. Surveillance video was released earlier in front of a “Quick Stop” in South Bay. According to investigators the man was in his wheelchair when an assailant knocked him over and stole seven hundred dollars from his shirt. (1-2 minutes in length - 6:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 1 – 4/11/06 – Federal agents say a passenger smuggled five pounds of cocaine while taking a cruise in the Caribbean. Immigration and customs detectives arrested a man who had traveled on the Carnival cruise ship “Legend” last fall, claiming on an arrest report that he tossed a bag of cocaine overboard sometime during the trip between Panama and Fort Lauderdale. (1-2 minutes in length - 5:30PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 1 – 5/23/06 – Port St. Lucie detectives believe they’ve found yet another marijuana growing house. A home in the 900 block of Consolata Avenue was rented by a Cuban man who was arrested after investigators found the remnants of a grow operation inside. In the past two weeks about 2 dozen alleged marijuana farms have been raided that authorities say are parts of the largest pot growing operation in the city’s history. (1-2 minutes in length - 6:00AM)

PROBLEM/NEED 1 – 6/20/06 – Boca Raton Police say they've shut down a house of prostitution. Six people are behind bars, and police say more arrests will follow. After months of surveillance undercover officers said they collected enough evidence to arrest 4 women and charge them with prostitution. They also arrested a man who police say was the owner of the business. (1-2 minutes in length 5:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 2 – 4/03/06 – Starting today, tens of thousands of uninsured Palm Beach County residents will be eligible for a new health insurance program provided by the health care district. "Vita Health" participants will pay just over 50 dollars a month for coverage. "Vita Health" will provide coverage for physician care, lab tests, hospitalization and generic drugs. (1-2 minutes in length -6:00AM)

PROBLEM/NEED 2 – 4/05/06 – Massachusetts will be the first state to require all of its residents have health insurance. The Massachusetts legislature approved the bill yesterday. The plan will dramatically increase access to health care over the next three years and is being called a national model. People who already have coverage would see a drop in their premiums. Those who do not have coverage will be offered low cost plans. (1-2 minutes in length - 11:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 2 – 4/06/06 – People with aging loved ones want Florida lawmakers to keep their promise to provide proper care for nursing home residents. Advocates for the elderly want funding for three hours of nursing care per day per resident. Seniors feel it is a matter of life or death when they may be faced with bed sores and dehydration. (1-2 minutes in length - 6:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 2 – 4/02/06 – Kid-Care is a program providing insurance to children whose families may not otherwise be able to afford it. Now there's talk in Tallahassee to cut back on the state money that's funneled into this program. Last year lawmakers put enough money in the budget to cover almost 350,000 children in Kid-Care. But enrollment for this year is under 200,000. That leaves a huge surplus of money that isn't being used. Advocates say money isn't being properly distributed. (1-2 minutes in length - 6:00AM)

PROBLEM/NEED 2 – 4/07/06 – Consumer reporter John Matarese dealt with the issue of going "out of network" from your medical plan to see a specialist. Many people who are on a medical network don't realize that they could be facing astronomical costs by seeing a specialist who is not on their network, and their insurance has the right to deny paying it. Matarese suggests always finding out how much it will be from the specialist before you visit and try and get the cost in writing before the visit. (1-2 minutes - 11:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 2 & 4– 4/12/06 April is National Minority Health month. Florida is using the occasion to highlight the need to improve health care and access to minorities. Health care providers offered free blood pressure and glucose screenings at the state capitol. Statistics show huge disparities in the rates of disease and death among African Americans and Hispanics compared to whites. Florida is trying to do a better job of providing grant money and incentives to help improve health care in the state’s rural and inner city areas. (1-2 minutes in length - 6:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 2 –4/08/06 – A new study discovered that more people die of heart attacks in the United States when the economy is going strong. A one percentage point drop in unemployment raises the U.S. mortality rate by about one percent, or 25,000 additional deaths per year. The study by an economics professor at the University of North Carolina says when the economy is good; people often end up working more overtime and paying less attention to their health. (1-2 minutes in length - 6:00AM)

PROBLEM/NEED 2 – 4/26/06 – The number of Americans without health insurance is on the rise. A survey found more than 40% of people who make between \$20,000 and \$40,000 a year were uninsured for at least part of the past year. That’s a significant increase from 28% in 2001. Twenty percent of those surveyed also said they were paying off medical debt. (1-2 minutes in length -5:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 2 – 4/23/06 – A statewide healthcare program that puts college students to work in rural and low-income clinics is itself on life-support. Legislative leaders are ready to scrap the program saying they think it does not use enough of its budget dollars to provide real health care. The students say lawmakers don’t understand the critical services they’re bringing to communities that desperately need them. (1-2 minutes in length - 6:00AM)

PROBLEM/NEED 2 & 4– 5/5/06 – According to the American Cancer Society, Hispanics have a higher rate of cancers of the stomach, cervix and liver. They are also less likely to use screening tests for colon, prostate and cervical cancers. Doctors at the Integral Clinic in Lake Worth deal with a high percentage of Hispanic patients, and in order to help the community the clinic has declared a month of raising awareness among women about their health, hoping to stress the importance of preventative care. (1-2 minutes in length - 5:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 3 – 5/17/06 – Republican candidate for Governor Tom Gallagher focused his energy on education. He pledged to work harder than his opponents to preserve Jeb Bush’s school voucher legacy. Gallagher said the fight to keep opportunity scholarships available has been his mission since serving as State Education Commissioner. The State Supreme Court struck down the voucher program in January. Other elements of Gallagher’s education plan include setting a goal of a statewide 90% graduation rate by the year 2020. (1-2 minutes in length -6:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 3 – 5/3/06 – A report due out today suggests that most states are failing their students when it comes to physical education. The study says most states aren't helping American children prevent or reduce obesity because of poor PE requirements. Representatives with the American Heart Association and the National Association for Sport and Physical Education will release recommendations for action at today's press conference. (1-2 minutes in length - 5:00AM)

PROBLEM/NEED 3 – 4/03/06 –The Palm Beach County School District will be sending out letters to parents this month asking whether they want to request a transfer for next year. Up to 50,000 students at 78 schools will be eligible to transfer if their school receives federal money and fails to make adequate yearly progress on the F-Cat for two years straight. Eligible parents and students will get two alternate schools from which to choose from, but parents what know what those schools are until May, a month after they make their decision. (1-2 minutes in length - 6:00AM)

PROBLEM/NEED 3 – 4/6/06 – Roughly two months from the start of Hurricane season the Palm Beach County School calendar now has 20 storm make-up days for the 2006-2007 school year. School administrators say they're committed to making up all the days students might miss because of a hurricane, even if the state waives some of the missed days. The make-up days could affect family vacations. Part of the days affected are the last 3 days of winter break and the first three days of spring break. (1-2 minutes in length -6:00AM)

PROBLEM/NEED 3 – 4/6/06 – The Palm Beach County School Boundary Committee begin talks about the 2007-08 school year, which could include some potentially controversial changes to high school zones to make them more balanced. Over crowding could move students from Park Vista High School, to Boynton Beach High and from Jupiter High to William T. Dwyer High, some parents are worried such a change could increase busing. For the first time this year, committee members used the number of students receiving free and reduced-price lunches in their decision to shift boundaries. (1-2 minutes in length - 6:00AM)

PROBLEM/NEED 3 – 4/01/06 – School days will be up to 15 minutes longer in some St. Lucie County schools next year. According to officials, it's a change that's expected to save the district an extra \$5 million in busing costs. The lengthened school days aim to give bus drivers more time in between routes because of increasing traffic and delays. Elementary schools will now start at 8:30AM, middle schools at 9:15AM and high schools at 7:10AM. (1-2 minutes in length - 7:00AM)

PROBLEM/NEED 3 – 4/10/06 – A Treasure Coast bus driver was driving middle school students and teachers from Stuart to Orlando for a field trip. Passengers noticed that the driver looked very tired while at the wheel and the bus was swerving. He pulled over and was arrested by Florida State Police. Officers found empty beer containers on the bus, but the driver claims they were not his. Everyone on the bus returned to school safely Friday night. (1-2 minutes in length - 5:00AM)

PROBLEM/NEED 3 – 4/12/06 – The Governor’s A++ plan would require students to earn four credits in a major area of study, like art, science or business. The A++ plan would also require an extra year of math. Some educators question whether kids will be able to squeeze in more classes, since most are already carrying the maximum number of classes. But with Florida’s graduation rate at just 60% lawmakers know they have to do something to motivate kids. Many think that asking students to focus on a subject they like could do the trick. (1-2 minutes in length - 5:30PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 3 – 4/12/06 – A local woman questioned if her 4 year-old son’s popular preschool and daycare followed its own security procedures, which require anyone, other than a parent to show identification when picking up a child, even if that person is on a pre-approved list. The woman had her sister (who was not on the list) pick up her son. The preschool never asked any questions and released the child. The preschool is now backtracking and saying that the boy recognized his aunt right away and yet the mother says this makes no difference. It has prompted other parents to question the security at their preschools and day care. (1-2 minutes in length - 6:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 3 – 4/18/06 – The battle whether art should be required in Florida high schools is heating up. State Senator Ron Klein visited a high school in West Palm Beach to speak out against a house bill which would no longer require Florida high school students to take art or physical education. Supporters of the bill argue eliminating the arts and PE requirement will give greater attention to core classes like reading and math. (1-2 minutes in length - 5:00AM)

PROBLEM/NEED 3 – 4/24/06 – The jump from middle to high school can be an adjustment for any student. A Palm Beach County high school hopes to ease that transition by creating several “schools within a school.” Within a single high school students will be dividing into six smaller “houses” the houses will contain freshman, sophomores, juniors and seniors. By having students take all of their core classes within their house and with the same small group high school hope to provide more individualized learning for students who are in the middle of the academic range. (1-2 minutes in length - 6:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 4 – 6/2/06- Higher education is about to get more affordable for thousands of students who are the first in their family to go to college in Florida. Governor Bush signed a measure today that creates a scholarship program to boost minority enrollment. First generation college students championed the bill. They lobbied lawmakers hard to make the dream of college more accessible for young people. The program is a direct response to a drop-off in minority enrollment at Florida’s colleges and universities. (1-2 minutes in length - 6:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 4 – 6/17/06 – African Americans and other minorities in South Florida were turned down for conventional loans more often than whites. According to a South Florida Sun-Sentinel analysis, when they are approved for conventional loans typically used to buy a home, minorities are often charged more for the loans. The data revealed wide differences in rates of approval across racial and ethnic lines. Bankers say the figures may not tell the whole story, because the federal data does not account for whether the borrower is a good credit risk. (1-2 minutes in length - 7:00AM)

PROBLEM/NEED 4 – 4/8/06 – It's a celebration of the area's rich and fertile soil. Belle Glade's "Black Gold Jubilee" kicks off today with food tents, a parade, a "Miss Black Gold Jubilee pageant, entertainment, and many other local events. The Jubilee celebrates the end of the harvest and the migrants and minorities who work tirelessly in the fields of Belle Glade to harvest the crops. This is one festival that celebrates the hard work and contributions of so many people of color. (1-2 minutes in length - 7:00AM)

PROBLEM/NEED 4 – 6/10/06 – Members of the Black Caucus in the Florida Legislature have high hopes for a newly crafted commission that will focus on the problems facing African American males. It's called the Council on the Social Status of Black Men and Boys. State Senator Tony Hill says their job is to address issues like crime, poverty, and drug abuse in the Black community. Though the commission won't become official until January, members say they're planning a series of town hall meetings to hear from the public. (1-2 minutes in length - 11:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 4 – 4/6/06 – Two upcoming protests on immigration reform are getting increased publicity on local Hispanic radio stations. AM 1380 or "Radio Fiesta" has been overwhelmed with phone calls regarding the immigration bill. Many callers are also talking about two immigration rallies taking place in the next few days. Station managers say they are not taking sides on the immigration issue, and are simply trying to inform the public. (1-2 minutes in length - 5:30PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 4 – 4/13/06 – Last minute help is available for people who might have difficulty filling out their tax forms. Volunteers trained by the Internal Revenue Service have been helping area Hispanic residents file their tax forms. Since January, residents needing help and making less than \$38,000 a year have been qualifying for the volunteer assistance. Many immigrants do not have Social Security numbers, but they do want to pay their taxes. These volunteers help them apply for a Social Security number and get the process rolling, as well as helping them file a tax return. (1-2 minutes in length - 5:30PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 4 – 5/12/06 – Two Palm Beach County schools were honored in Washington this week for their treatment of minority students. Forest Hill High School and Palmetto Elementary in West Palm Beach both have a high percentage of Hispanic students. ING and Hispanic magazine recognized the two schools for breaking through the language and cultural barriers to make sure all students succeed. One of the biggest hurdles is communication. Staff from both schools flew to Washington this week to accept the awards. (1-2 minutes in length - 5:30PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 4 – 5/13/06 – There's proof of the growing power in the Hispanic middle class. More home buyers had family names like Rodriguez, Garcia and Hernandez than Brown, Miller and Davis. An analysis of deeds shows that Hispanic surnames make up almost 15% of all homeowner names. That's up from only 10% five years ago and the percentage of Asian homebuyers has also increased. (1-2 minutes in length - 6:00AM)

PROBLEM/NEED 4 – 5/22/06 –New research finds that when it comes to controlling risk factors for heart disease, race plays a role. University of Florida researchers studied 22,000 Americans with heart disease and high blood pressure and their results show Hispanic heart patients had a 19% increased risk of developing diabetes during the 3 years after their study. Results also show that high blood pressure was easier to control in Hispanic study patients, and they required fewer drugs than their White or Black counterparts. Hispanic patients also had fewer heart attacks and strokes. (1-2 minutes in length - 5:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 4 –5/26/06 –Don't be surprised if you see the Spanish language on your next trip to the ATM. One local bank is trying to tap into the growing Hispanic market, with a dedicated person whose job it is to recruit Hispanics to set up accounts at the bank. Efforts are made to have at least one bilingual employee at every branch, appearances on local Hispanic radio stations to inform the community and work to set up accounts with Consular ID cards and not needing to be a US citizen. It's all done to reach out to local Hispanics and encourage them to become loyal customers. (2-3 minutes in length - 5:30PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 5 – 4/01/06 – Federal agents spent two years casing South Florida stores that sold drug paraphernalia and what they discovered may cause concern for parents nationwide. Agents with the U.S. Immigration and customs enforcement took over 5,500 pieces from different stores worth a quarter of a million dollars and what they took should raise a new round of concerns for parents. A number of the items were in the shapes of cartoon characters designed to entice children. Agents also say they are finding paraphernalia made to look like everyday items like highlighters, beepers, Chap-stick and batteries. – all designed to hold drugs. Agents say parents could see these items and never know they were being used for drugs. (1-2 minutes in length 6:00AM)

PROBLEM/NEED 5 – 4/16/06– Police officers in straw hats posing as drug dealers Friday night gave 14 people looking to get high, a night in jail instead. The sting operation was in front of a convenience store in Delray Beach, a spot known for crack-cocaine and marijuana sales. Sixteen officers were involved in the sting operation. (1-2 minutes in length - 6:00AM)

PROBLEM/NEED 5 – 5/23/06 –A police sting operation dubbed “Operation Magnum Force” nabbed more than 30 people, and more arrests are expected to come. Investigators say it’s part of a cocaine trafficking operation that stretched from Jupiter to Delray Beach. The alleged ringleader was a 41 year old who is part of a known Delray Beach crime family. (1-2 minutes in length - 6:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 5 – 6/7/06 – Illegal drug use is on the decline in Florida, but state officials say they need to put more emphasis on crystal meth and the abuse of prescription drugs like Oxycontin. Hundreds of law enforcement officers, counselors and social workers gathered in Tallahassee today for the Governor’s annual Drug Summit. The Governor took time out to sign a new law dealing with drug courts. It will offer long-term treatment and counseling designed to give non-violent drug offenders a second chance. (1-2 minutes in length - 5:30PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 5 – 4/21/06 –According to a new report released by the FDA, marijuana does not provide any medical benefits. The FDA said there are no sound studies to prove that marijuana serves any medicinal purpose. The announcement contradicts a study by the Institute of Medicine which found the drug beneficial to some patients. Medical Marijuana supporters are calling the announcement politically motivated. (1-2 minutes in length - 6:00AM)

PROBLEM/NEED 5 – 5/16/06 – The investigation has widened into a pot growing operation in Port St. Lucie. Detectives say the operation probably affects the entire east coast. Detectives raided two more Port St. Lucie homes last night. Inside they found evidence that marijuana had been grown for years in both homes. Fifteen St. Lucie County houses are now connected to the pot operation and a dozen people have been arrested. Detectives say the two properties they searched last night will be seized from the owners. (1-2 minutes in length – 6:00AM)

PROBLEM/NEED 6 –4/21/06 – A manatee that barely survived after being hit by a boat is a new mom. The manatee named Ocean Reef gave birth at the Miami Seaquarium to twins, a female named pumpkin, and a male named patch. The three manatees are in guarded condition. Officials are concerned that the twins are not nursing yet. If the babies do not nurse, the Seaquarium staff will take milk from the mother and hand feed the babies. The mother was rescued in February after being hit by a boat. (1-2 minutes in length - 5:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 6 – 5/22/06 – Though manatee deaths are down statewide, Martin County has already seen more deaths in the first four months of 2006 than in all of 2005. Across Florida 159 manatee deaths were reported in the first four months of 2006, as compared to 174 last year. In Martin County, 11 manatee deaths have already been reported, surpassing the total from last year. Watercraft and cold stress are among the causes of death. (1-2 minutes in length - 5:00AM)

PROBLEM/NEED 6 – 6/30/06 – Fish and Wildlife officers recovered a dead manatee in Jupiter this afternoon and are trying to figure out how it died. The manatee was found in the north fork of Loxahatchee River. The animal's body was brought to the Burt Reynolds Park where a biologist examined it, but found no obvious signs of trauma. The body will be transported to a research facility in St. Petersburg to determine the exact cause of death. Marine biologists monitor manatee deaths closely in case they are an indication of pollutants or toxicity in the water. (1-2 minutes in length - 11:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 6 – 6/21/06 – A controversy is brewing in Boynton Beach about allowing fishermen to fish from the city's Promenade. Fishermen have been doing so for years but now that there are costly condominiums built around the area, owners of the condos are complaining about the fishermen. The mayor says the city has received hundreds of complaints and he wants to see the Promenade used to attract art shows and casual strolls. The city spent \$13 million dollars on rebuilding the Promenade, and that's not what they would spend on a fishing pier. Many fishermen rely on being able to fish for their food at this location and fear they are being squeezed out. (1-2 minutes in length - 6:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 6 – 6/02/06 – Several new four-legged friends will soon be helping keep the state's natural areas safe. K-9 officers for the State Wildlife Commission received certificates at a ceremony at the old state capitol. They just graduated from a special 400 hour training course with their dogs. The seven dogs were all donated to the program, mostly from animal shelters. The dogs will be used to track poachers, people who are excessively taking game, and search and rescue missions. (1-2 minutes in length - 6:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 6 – 4/17/06 – Coral reefs among nature's most beautiful and least understood wonders. From Australia to the Caribbean, marine biologists say these living animals are dying at an alarming rate. In the Virgin Islands, studies show up to 30% died in just the last 2 years. What's causing the reefs to die? Scientists blame a significant 2 to 3 degree shift in water temperatures. Experts believe that Corals bleached white from higher temperatures are more susceptible to disease. Scientists do believe that global warming has a direct link to the dying reefs, and since it takes hundreds of years to grow back, we should all be more concerned. (1-2 minutes in length - 5:00AM)

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THESE PROGRAMS FEATURE PROMINENT NEWSMAKERS ON A NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL LEVEL, OR AS FICTIONAL DEPICTIONS OF CURRENT TOPICS.

PROBLEM/NEED 2 –4/11/06 - The installment of the Oprah Winfrey show featured Bill & Melinda Gates and Anderson Cooper talking about the lack of simple health care both in this country and abroad, and how with very little effort, more could be done not only to save lives but to prevent serious disease from spreading across continents and creating epidemics. Anderson Cooper spoke about his reports from New Orleans and how so many people could have been saved and what a long struggle back it will be for the people of that area. (60 minutes in length 4:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 1 – 4/19/06 – This Oprah show dealt with an epidemic that Oprah has personally committed her resources to exposing - the on-going problem of child rape in this country. The statistics are staggering, and the acceptance of it among various ethnic groups and communities is even more disconcerting. Until the American public is outraged enough and angry enough to stop it, the cycle of abuse and assault will repeat itself over and over again. (60 minutes in length 4:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 2 – 5/01/06 – This Oprah Winfrey show has Dr. Oz as the guest and he spoke about actual practical ways to add twenty years to your life. He gave a list of five things to avoid, and featured a woman who was 42 years old, run down and overweight to show how quickly changes can make a difference in your health. After just three months of making improvements, the audience was astounded at the results. (60 minutes in length 4:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 2 – 5/30/06 – The Oprah Winfrey show was a roundtable of experts who spoke about the problem of bird flu and how likely it would be for this to become a human epidemic. Experts cautioned what people need to do to protect themselves, and how the government is working with researchers to design a vaccine and a plan to prevent a spread should an outbreak occur. (60 minutes in length 4:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 1 – 6/06/06 –This Oprah show featured a young man who was an honor student and a class president, who was lured into becoming an Internet porn star. Men would pay him for exposing himself online and for performing different sex acts. His parents were unaware of his secret life online, and now he is testifying before the Congress to talk about how easily a young person could be pulled into this kind of behavior. With so many sexual predators surfing the Internet, child protection has become a huge issue across the country. (60 minutes in length 4:00PM)