

**LIST OF COMMUNITY PROBLEMS AND NEEDS OF AREA SERVED  
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1. The needs of an ever expanding educational system.
2. The problem of crime in its many forms.
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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 – 1/02/06 – A new boarding school for obese children has opened in an effort to address the problem of overweight children in a daily environment. While a number of overweight children attend summer camps and weight loss programs, this boarding school allows students to change their behavior of eating and exercise as part of a curriculum. The obese kids are surrounded by other overweight kids so there is less pressure and competition to be thin and popular. (1-2 minutes in length – 5:30PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 1 – 1/09/05 – A new alternative school, Oak Grove Academy opened today. The school is designed to help reform troubled kids. The goal of the school is to get middle and high school students to come to class to stay on task and to avoid the many distractions of a normal school environment. The school will be run by a private company that will contact the students' parents to ensure that the students get to school. (1-2 minutes in length - 6:00AM)

PROBLEM/NEED 1 – 1/09/06 – More and more kids in South Florida are inhaling dangerous chemicals to get high. That is according to the most recent Florida Youth Substance Survey. As one reporter found out what most parents will find really alarming is that kids are starting this experimentation with inhalants in middle school. The ease with which kids can find these inhalants is what makes the problem very frightening and very hard to combat. (1-2 minutes in length 6:00AM)

PROBLEM/NEED 1 – 1/09/06 – Bak Middle School of the Arts is moving forward by moving a few hundred feet back. Students started class Monday at a new campus which sits just behind the old one. The Palm Beach County School District spent nearly \$30 million dollars on the new and improved arts school. From ceiling to floor, it was built with the artist in mind. It includes a black box theatre complete with professional lighting, sound and stage equipment. The school has room for more than 1300 students, and now that the school is up and running, more than two dozen portables are coming down. (1-2 minutes in length – 6:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 1 – 1/09/06 – Over the next five years the Palm Beach County School District plans to spend roughly \$1.4 billion dollars on school construction. The money will go toward building fifteen new schools and replacing twenty two others. (1-2 minutes in length - 6:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 1 – 1/11/06 – A Palm Beach County School audit found two charter schools used taxpayer's money for questionable expenses such as Miami Dolphins season tickets used by staff members and a principal's BMW lease. The audit of Survivors Charter School in West Palm Beach and Boynton Beach also found that the two principals tried to profit off of private businesses run from the schools. The findings could endanger the schools' charter agreement. The District will review the audit to see if school staffers committed any crimes. (1-2 minutes in length – 6:00AM)

PROBLEM/NEED 1 – 1/12/06 – After three meetings with parents and getting student opinion, the St. Lucie County School Board members and superintendent Michael Lannon will vote on a re-zoning plan that some say will shorten student bus rides, but would end diversity. (1-2 minutes in length – 6:00AM)

PROBLEM/NEED 1 – 1/13/06 – In a much anticipated decision, the St. Lucie County School Board approved new school zones. The decision has been months in the making and thousands of people offered their opinions. But before the vote there was one last chance for residents to speak about the controversial proposal. (1-2 minutes in length - 11:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 1 – 1/19/06 – Palm Beach County School Board members said Wednesday they want to revive the idea of secondary students beginning class later than 7:30AM. One board member cited research showing that older students learn better when they start school later. But a few years ago a similar proposed change had no luck in passing. The Superintendent said he would ask principals again, but that the idea isn't popular among students who don't want to jeopardize after school sports and activities. (1-2 minutes in length - 6:00AM)

PROBLEM/NEED 1 – 1/22/06 – Harvard medical students can now get their lectures on everything from anatomy to neuroscience by using their iPods. With a subscription to iTunes, students can automatically download the previous day's lectures. The lectures are audio only so students still have to go to class. (1-2 minutes in length - 12:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 1 – 1/24/06 – Martin County School Administrators are concerned that the County's high schools are out of whack. South Fork High School is almost at capacity, Martin County High has wiggle room, and Jensen Beach High has space for more than 400 students. To balance out the school populations, some students will need to move and next school year the choice of school might be theirs. The assistant superintendent is hoping that they get some voluntary movement or they'll have to go back and redistrict. (1-2 minutes in length - 6:00AM)

PROBLEM/NEED 1 – 2/3/06 – Hobe Sound Elementary School has received a statewide award, not for its good grades but for its good looks. The school received the architectural showcase's top prize for elementary school design. The school was designed by the firm – Song and Associates. Principal Essie Raims says she can understand why it was chosen. The new campus was built on the same spot as the old Hobe Sound Elementary. It opened for students last August. (1-2 minutes in length 5:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 2 – 1/5/06 – It's called Operation Vice Grip and its about as far as a city can go to try to stanch an epidemic of violence. It's not martial law, it's not a city-wide lock-down, but Riviera Beach city leaders have given the police wide sway on how to stop the killing. Unprecedented 12 hour shifts for police officers (thereby tripling police presence at times), two man patrols - no longer one man patrols, cash rewards offered for information on crimes and criminals, the creation of police manned cul-de-sacs, street closings, one way traffic patterns, very aggressive road patrols, and a possible curfew for the city. (1-2 minutes in length -6:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 2 – 1/12/06 – Riviera Beach residents fed up with crime now have a new initiative to follow. Dozens packed a town hall meeting to hear local leaders unveil a peace plan designed to stop the violence. The plan includes: yard signs, illuminated porch lights, mentoring programs and meetings with gang members. Community leaders feel the sixteen new measures are a way to fight the recent string of violence in Riviera Beach. (1-2 minutes in length - 5:00AM)

PROBLEM/NEED 2 – 2/6/06 – Many law enforcement authorities are finding that criminals are learning what not to leave behind at crime scenes because of television crime dramas like "CSI". Homicide Investigators say they are not finding clues like hair, clothes, and cigarette butts as often as they did before the era of "CSI" and "Law & Order". While criminals are picking up new techniques from TV, the public is demanding more and more from their local cops. The public and jurors have too high of an expectation about how much evidence can be found to convict someone and are unrealistic about the time it takes to do so. (1-2 minutes in length - 6:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 2 – 2/20/06 – Despite greater numbers of students, serious crime is steadily fading from Palm Beach County Schools. A recent state report shows the total reported incidents of crime and violence in the school district dropped for the third straight year. School administrators say the decrease shows safety and drug programs do work. Next month the State Department of Education will release a detailed list, by school of crime on campus. (1-2 minutes in length - 6:00AM)

PROBLEM/NEED 2 – 3/7/06 – For the second time in three months, Congress is looking into crime on cruise ships. With recent cases of possible homicides taking place on board cruise ships as well as missing persons, many families of these crime victims question the security of passengers and what the cruise lines are doing to protect their passengers in international waters. Congress wants to find out if the industry is doing enough to police itself. (1-2 minutes - 5:30PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 2 – 3/20/06 When three robbery suspects who were on the run from police crashed right in front of the Cocoa Beach business that Iris Davis manages, she didn't sit idly by, she tackled one suspect, and ripped his shirt right off him and held him down until police caught up. Davis is a grandmother, but one who has won two state body-building championships, and numerous other titles. (1-2 minutes in length - 6:00AM)

PROBLEM/NEED 2 – 3/28/06 – A word of warning for parents. More kids are getting arrested in New York than ever before, and police say the popular I pod is to blame. Newsday reports a spike in I pod thefts last year contributed to a 26% jump in juvenile robbery arrests. In fact, last summer, a 15-year-old boy was killed by a group of teens when he refused to give up his I pod. (1-2 minutes in length - 6:00AM)

PROBLEM/NEED 2 – 3/13/06 – A man is in custody for the murder of a Boynton Beach woman. According to published reports, the man confessed to police that he killed his ex-wife. Her body was found in their Boynton Beach home. Key West authorities arrested him and charged him with felony fleeing, and eluding, resisting arrest and stealing his ex-wife's car. He remains in custody in Key West while Boynton Beach Police file charges with the State Attorney's office. (1-2 minutes in length - 5:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 2 – 3/17/06 – A West Palm Beach man is arrested and charged with sexual abuse that allegedly began 13 years ago. He is charged with seven counts of sexual battery on a child under 12. He is accused of molesting two young victims repeatedly 13 years ago. He's now being held in the Palm Beach County Jail without bond. (1-2 minutes in length - 12:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 2 – 3/27/06 – A former Palm Beach County Sheriff's captain found himself on the other side of the law. West Palm Beach arrested him on two outstanding arrest warrants for tampering of a witness and burglary to a dwelling. The charges stem from an incident with an ex-girlfriend. He was captain at the Sheriff's office before he was demoted to lieutenant. In January he was eligible for the buyout program and officially retired after 23 years of service. (1-2 minutes in length - 6:00AM)

PROBLEM/NEED 3 – 1/05/06 – A federal report gives high marks to Florida's foster care system, following a recent review of its record keeping. In particular the Department of Health and Human Services says Florida is better than most states at checking up on kids, by following up on their foster families. Florida's Department of Children and Families tries to visit each foster home once a month. It succeeds about 95% of the time. Only two other states come close to Florida's efforts in foster care supervision. Many states don't even keep records of visitations citing a lack of resources. (1-2 minutes in length - 5:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 3 – 1/11/06 –The nation’s report card on medical care is out and Florida is an average student. Florida earned a “C – minus” in a physician group’s report card on the state of the nation’s emergency rooms. The reason was a lack of facilities and high insurance rates for E.R. doctors. Overall the report found the national emergency health care system to be overcrowded and with declining accessibility. (1-2 minutes in length - 11:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 3 – 1/17/06 – Dr. Anthony D’Amico of Brigham and Women’s Hospital in Boston was interviewed about the challenges that men have with their health, particularly their hesitancy in getting annual check-ups, and prostate examinations. Dr. D’Amico will be coming to our area for a men’s health forum to discuss; what are the best ways for men to be more proactive in their health, and how to take preventative measures. (1-2 minutes in length - 6:00AM)

PROBLEM/NEED 3 – 1/25/06 – Some U.S. Veterans can expect cutbacks in health care. The Veteran Affairs Department is cutting off health care to veterans who have above average incomes. More than 260,000 veterans are affected by the cuts. The locked-out vets have no illnesses or injuries resulting from their service, and earn more than the average wage in their communities. Officials say the priority is on veterans who were injured or disabled during service. The cuts do not affect military personnel serving in Iraq. (1-2 minutes in length -6:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 3 – 1/25/06 – Breast Cancer, mental illness, hundreds of health care providers, thousands of diseases to discuss and millions more affected. The Allegany Franciscan ministries sponsored a health summit to raise awareness about the inequality and lack of education in the minority community when it comes to health care. Doctors from all over the area talked about the disparity in the medical world. In the black community health issues such as diabetes and breast cancer are disproportionately higher and the problems go untreated or undiagnosed. The summit hopes to debunk the myths and stereotypes about minorities and health care. (1-2 minutes in length - 5:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 3 – 2/01/06 –Forty five million Americans are uninsured and new numbers are proving again that Americans have deep concerns about health care. In the latest NBC News/Wall Street Journal poll, when asked about everyday expenses, nearly half said the government should make health care costs the top priority. And hospitals are really feeling the impact, as they are being asked to treat more and more emergency room walk-ins with problems that have gone untreated. (1-2 minutes in length - 5:00AM)

PROBLEM/NEED 3 – 2/03/06 – Governor Jeb Bush has proposed cutting \$200 million dollars from the “Healthy Kids” program. It helps low-income families afford health insurance for their children. According to the Governor, thousands of families aren’t taking advantage of the program, so it doesn’t make sense to fund slots that are not being used. Enrollment has dropped by more than 130,000 children over the past two years. Advocates blame lawmakers for changing requirements and confusing families already overwhelmed by financial and health problems. (1-2 minutes in length - 6:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 3 – 2/14/06 – A new study shows that children raised in the Deep South have worse health outcomes than kids from other parts of the country. Researchers at the University of Florida gathered kids across the country to create a health index. The index included key health indicators such as low birth weight, infant, child and teen death rates and teen birth rates. Kids in some Southern states face 2 to 3 times the risk of poorer health than those in other regions. (1-2 minutes in length - 5:30PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 3 – 2/15/06 – It seems the level of wealth helps dictate your health. That’s according to a study by the Cleveland Clinic. Researchers compiled stress test results from more than 30,000 patients being monitored for heart disease. The wealthier patients had better physical fitness but even the wealthy patients who were out of shape had only half the risk of dying compared to poor patients in bad shape. Some factors contributing to this include, less access to healthy food, fewer places to exercise safely, and increased exposure to tobacco products. (1-2 minutes in length - 6:00AM)

PROBLEM/NEED 3 – 2/24/06 – It’s “Give Kids a Smile” day and at the dental clinic at the St. Lucie County Health Department, they are offering cleanings, fluoride treatments, cavity filling and will even pull a pesky baby tooth. Local dentists donate their time and along with the full time staff, help youngsters who otherwise may not get the care they need. Dentists say many of the patients they see are first timers. (1-2 minutes in length - 6:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 4– 1/10/06 – A magazine gave the Treasure Coast some national notoriety, but it’s not something the area may want to promote. The January 2006 issue of Saltwater Sportsman magazine compiled a list of the five most treacherous inlets on the Atlantic coast of the United States. Topping the list as the Eastern Seaboard’s most dangerous body of water is the St. Lucie inlet in Stuart. Some of its problems include volume of water, swiftly changing currents, and a narrow passage. Another minus for the St. Lucie inlet is the number of seasonal residents who use the inlet and are unfamiliar with it. (1-2 minutes in length -11:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 4– 3/01/06 – Time is up and the job isn't done. St. Lucie County was supposed to replace all the grey sand along nearly four miles of dunes by today, the beginning of turtle nesting season. But county leaders say the wicked weather last week kept them from meeting the state imposed deadline. Commissioners say they need about another week to finish transplanting sand from nearby Blind Creek to Hutchinson Island. (1-2 minutes in length - 6:00AM)

PROBLEM/NEED 4 – 3/7/06 – A faulty design at the new St. Lucie West water plant had caused excessive amounts of lead to turn up in about a dozen homes and businesses. The problem was detected in November and corrected within a month. But word of the breach was made public yesterday by the plant manager. And St. Lucie West Services District utility customers won't be officially notified of the results until a public education campaign begins this week. (1-2 minutes in length - 6:00AM)

PROBLEM/NEED 4 – 3/14/06 – Divers say that waters off the lower keys are still murky since Hurricane Wilma hit South Florida in October. If the cloudy water persists, it could affect the Keys' \$700 million dollar reef-based tourist industry. It's not uncommon for a hurricane or any big wind storm to stir up bottom sediments, which temporarily cloud the water. Officials say the sediments normally settle within a few weeks. Visibility has been reported to be normal in the middle and upper keys. (1-2 minutes in length - 6:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 4 – 3/15/06 – In West Palm Beach local businesses and residents are complaining that the city's drinking water has a terrible taste. Because of dry conditions, the city is taking its water from Lake Okeechobee. And algae blooms there are now here to blame for the foul taste. And some restaurants are losing money because of it. Patrons are complaining of the taste of fountain drinks, and many restaurants need to upgrade their filtration systems in order to continue with beverages and ice. (1-2 minutes in length - 11:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 4 – 1/27/06 – A new type of bottle was unveiled today at Publix. It looks and feels like plastic, but it's made from corn. A new, high-tech material that does everything you'd expect from plastic yet it's biodegradable. The maker says it's the first of its kind in the world. Throw it in a landfill or a compost pile and it dissolves in as little as 80 days. And while it's not designed to dissolve away if you litter, it will degrade faster than plastic. Keeping plastic out of the environment is not only good for landfills. So many wildlife care centers are filled with animals that have come in contact with plastic litter and are now struggling for life. Many do not survive. (1-2 minutes in length - 6:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 4 – 2/17/06 – A Tampa middle school science project is gaining international attention. The project was in the microbiology category at the Hillsborough County Regional Science Fair. Students wanted to answer the question – which is cleaner ice in fast food restaurants or the water in the toilets at the restaurants. To answer the question, they surveyed five fast food restaurants near the University of South Florida, checking for bacteria. The Answer: results indicated more bacteria in the ice than in the toilet water. (1-2 minutes in length - 5:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 4 – 1/06/06 – Scientists in Florida are stepping up their efforts to protect the state’s most famous and now endangered mammals. Dozens of marine biologists in Tampa installed tags and tracking devices on five manatees yesterday. The water mammals will be studied and tracked. The Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission sponsors the manatee study and they say they try to do this every year. (1-2 minutes in length - 5:00AM)

PROBLEM/NEED 4 – 2/14/06 – The manatees are out in force during the winter months in the warm waters of the state. They may be big-boned, but they don’t have a layer of blubber that protects them the way it does dolphins and whales. That’s why dozens made their way to the warm outflow of water at the Florida Power and Light plant in Riviera Beach. Manatees can die of cold-stress syndrome, a condition brought on by prolonged exposure to water temperatures of 68 degrees or less. (1-2 minutes in length - 6:00AM)

PROBLEM/NEED 4 – 2/06/06 – On the Treasure Coast there is only one place that residents can bring sick or injured wildlife for treatment, the Treasure Coast Wildlife Center. After surviving a tornado and two hurricanes in 2004, the wildlife center was forced from its longtime facility to its current temporary facility. Plans to build a permanent community friendly animal center have not been approved by the county and progress is slow. The Center thrives on community support, and not having a place where the community can come to interact with animals is taking its toll. But when the new Center opens, it will be worth the wait. (1-2 minutes in length - 12:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 5 – 2/21/06 – The Urban League of Palm Beach County took time today to celebrate seniors. The “Day of Reflection” luncheon was part of heritage week celebrations. The Black History month event took part at the Martin Luther King, Jr. memorial at Curry Park in West Palm Beach. The local Urban League president thought the event provided inspiration to a younger generation to move the African American race forward. (1-2 minutes in length - 5:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 5 – 3/29/06 – The National Urban League has released a report card on Black Americans. It says their economic status is getting worse. According to the report, blacks have reached just 56% of the economic status of whites. That's one percentage point less than last year. The largest economic gap lies in median net worth, largely because more than 70% of white families own their homes, compared to about 50% of black families. The Urban League has outlined a series of plans which involve investing in jobs, housing, and business development and in children. (1-2 minutes in length 6:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 5 – 3/25/06– A group of migrants, who were returned to Cuba after reaching an abandoned bridge in the Florida Keys, began the paperwork to immigrate to the United States for good. Fourteen out of the fifteen people have received the official letter that confirms they will receive humanitarian visas to emigrate to the U.S. After getting exit permits from Cuban Immigration authorities say they will be able to get U.S. emigration visas. (1-2 minutes in length - 7:00AM)

PROBLEM/NEED 5 – 1/10/06 –A Florida college professor and his wife are accused of spying for Cuban President Fidel Castro. Carlos Alvarez and his wife Elsa were taken into FBI custody Friday. They are charged with acting as agents for Cuba without registering with the U.S. as is required by law. Authorities say Carlos, who was a professor at FIU has been spying since 1977, and his wife since 1982. They gave information about federal agents, government officials, and groups here in South Florida that oppose Castro. They are being held without bail for fear they will leave their five children and flee to Cuba. (1-2 minutes in length - 12:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 5 – 3/15/06 – The first ever African American Film festival at the Kravis Center features three films over three weeks including, "Sankofa", "Stormy Weather" and "Within Our Gates". Organizers of the festival hope audiences will come in to see a movie and come out with an appreciation for the historical perspective of the times. There will be a chance to discuss the movies afterward. (1-2 minutes in length - 5:30PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 5 – 1/31/06 – The nation will soon have its own Museum of African American History and Culture. It will sit on five empty acres at the National Mall in Washington, D.C. The site will likely include a 350,000 square foot building and bakers hope that this Museum will become a place that encourages Millions of Americans to remember and revel in the richness of African-American history and culture. (1-2 minutes in length - 6:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 5 – 2/6/06 -2/28/06 – During the month of February which is Black History month, WPTV aired minute-long profile of some of the country's greatest African American leaders. They are men and women who were the first in their field and became heroes and examples to so many young people. The profiles of both national and local leaders ran in every newscast on the station. (1 minute in length – various times)

PROBLEM/NEED 6 – 1/05/06 – A new survey by the office of drug control shows the state has been hitting a brick wall when it comes to reducing alcohol consumption among 6<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> graders. The surprising thing about the alcohol numbers is that kids are getting the alcohol here at home with or without their parents' consent. The use of hard drugs, like coke, heroin and PCP are all down dramatically. The study also finds a disturbing trend. Young women are more likely to be using drugs especially depressants and alcohol and cigarettes than boys. (1-2 minutes in length - 5:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 6 – 1/09/06 – The substances are legal, ordinary household products, but the way kids are using them isn't just illegal it could be deadly. The 2004 Florida Youth Survey shows inhalant abuse is on the rise among middle school children. The number of 8<sup>th</sup> graders in Palm Beach County who said they tried inhalants more than doubled since 2002. Inhalants are now more popular with middle school kids than high school kids. Most parents don't even think that their kids could be using these items. Experts say parents should inventory their household chemicals and consider locking them up. (1-2 minutes in length - 12:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 6 – 1/31/06 – The number of kids who begin using drugs before they turn 13 is on the rise. A government report shows that 14% of people admitted to rehab facilities said they had first tried drugs before 13. The report also shows a growing number of younger kids are trying marijuana, prescription pain medications and heroin. Studies indicate that kids who try these drugs at a young age get hooked faster. (1-2 minutes in length - 6:00AM)

PROBLEM/NEED 6 – 2/13/06– A report from the White House office of National Drug Control Policy shows that more girls than boys are becoming first time users of alcohol, cigarettes and drugs. More than 1.5 million U.S. girls aged 18 or under started using alcohol in 2004, compared to 1.2 million boys. More than 730,000 girls started smoking cigarettes, and 675,000 started using marijuana. Researchers say teen girls who smoke, drink or take drugs are more likely to become addicted and depressed than boys. (1-2 minutes in length - 5:00AM)

PROBLEM/NEED 6 – 2/20/06 – A movement to stop the sale of drug flavored candy worked so well in the state of Florida that a State Senator in Georgia wants to ban the marijuana lollipops from being sold in his state. State Senator Vincent Fort says “dope candy” may lead to future drug use by youngsters. Legislators in other states are also working on bills to stop pot candy sales. (1-2 minutes in length - 5:00AM)

PROBLEM/NEED 6 – 3/27/06 – French researchers say that smoking is much more harmful than some people think. Tests they conducted show that smoking three joints is equivalent to smoking an entire pack of cigarettes. Their tests show that marijuana contained seven times the tar and carbon monoxide as tobacco. The French researchers said that many young people think that marijuana is a natural substance and they might be surprised to know that it is even more dangerous to smoke than tobacco. (1-2 minutes in length - 5:00PM)

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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 – 1/17/06 - The installment of the Oprah Winfrey show featured the arrest of a known pedophile after a number of the young men who were molested by him a number of years ago turned him in. They watched an earlier show where this pedophile was profiled and realized that they needed to protect future young people from this person. The two men who turned him in and told their own stories of torment and torture were given a \$100,000 reward from the show. (60 minutes in length 4:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 1 & 2 – 1/23/06 – This Oprah show wanted the audience to be more informed about many of the important news topics of the day; the Iraq war, terror threats, and bird flu. What are the likelihood of these threats reaching people in their home across Middle America? Oprah had a panel of experts who encouraged the audience to become more educated about the threats and explained that many are very real and very shocking. (60 minutes in length 4:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 2 – 2/15/06 – This Oprah Winfrey show looked at one of the largest threats sweeping the country, the threat of criminals luring young children into prostitute and pornography on the Internet. A young man who was an honors student and class president spoke about how he was lured over the Internet into a life of countless sex partners and prostitution. It could be anyone's child in America and it is happening every day. The how discussed ways to protect your children from online predators. (60 minutes in length 4:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 5 – 2/21/06 – The Oprah Winfrey program was devoted to following up on stories from Hurricane Katrina and seeing how the people of the Gulf were recovering. There are so many stories that are not being told of impoverished African Americans who have nothing and who are struggling to build back their lives and yet no one is helping. Journalists Anderson Cooper and Lisa Ling give reports that shock the audience and bring them to tears. (60 minutes in length 4:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 2 – 3/07/06 – This Oprah show told the story of a woman at a gas station who after stopping for gas and seeing a little girl in the company of an older man in the convenience store, pursued the unsettling feeling that this child had been abducted. She investigated on her own and pushed local authorities to search and question this little girl’s “grandfather”, who turned out to be a sexual molester who has indeed abducted her. Audience member and viewers learned what they could do to report what might be a possible abduction or kidnapping. (60 minutes in length 4:00PM)