LIST OF COMMUNITY PROBLEMS AND NEEDS OF AREA SERVED BY STATION WPTV (SCRIPPS HOWARD BROADCASTING COMPANY) WEST PALM BEACH, FLORIDA
(October 1, 2005 – December 31, 2005)

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1. The need to address the increase in crime throughout our area.

2. The on-going challenge of meeting the demands of health care.

3. The problems facing our expanding educational system.

4. The issues facing the minority community.

5. The continuing problem of drug abuse.

6. The need to preserve and maintain our environment.

WPTV SIGNIFICANT PROGRAMS AND BROADCAST EFFORTS IN RESPONSE TO THE FOREGOING NEEDS AND PROBLEMS OF THE COMMUNITY

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

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

PROBLEM/NEED 1 – 10/17/05 – The Department of Law Enforcement released statistics today that showed there were 10,000 fewer crimes compared to the same time next year which is a decrease of more than three percent. The Assistant Commissioner of the FDLE attributed the decrease to passing tougher anti-crime legislation and local police and deputy proactive enforcement of the law. While the state's crime rate has been on a steady decline for the last 20 years, there are a few trouble spots. There was a slight increase in violent crimes, including rape, sodomy and aggravated assault. (1-2 minutes in length – 5:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 1 – 10/19/05 – A new detailed study of murders over the last five years in Palm Beach County shows who is most likely to become a victim of violent crime and when. Published reports say victims of violent crimes with a firearm are far more likely to be 20-24 years old and African American. Forty three percent of homicide victims died with alcohol or drugs in their systems and homicides are more likely to occur between 9PM and midnight, particularly on a Friday. (1-2 minutes in length - 6:00AM)

PROBLEM/NEED 1 – 12/6/05 – The police in Stuart want you to know that Santa is watching. They say they have a proven way of keeping crime down in their city: 1,500 crime watchers, police volunteers and cadets. They are the extra eyes and ears for the department as folks are out shopping. Police say over the past several years the effort has reduced holiday crimes such as stealing, and purse snatching. Volunteers look for opportunities that lure criminals such as an open car window or presents on the seat. In an effort to prevent crime they leave a "Criminal Opportunity Warning" for the driver of the car. (1-2 minutes in length 11:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 1 – 10/6/05 – A high school assistant band director has been arrested and charged with trying to solicit sex online from a 15-year-old student. 24 year-old Rafael Ramirez was arrested yesterday at Santaluces High School for trying to solicit sex during questionable conversations over the internet with a student. Five more female students came forward with similar charges against the teacher. His computer has been confiscated and Broward County Sheriff's executed a search warrant for his Pompano Beach home. (1-2 minutes in length – 6:00AM)

PROBLEM/NEED 1 – 10/1/05 – A Boca Raton man – 54 year-old Frank Kora - is facing charges of having sex with a minor. The teenager attended the trapeze camp Kora operated on the grounds of the YMCA. Deputies say Kora had sex with the 16 year-old girl at least three times in June. YMCA officials said that Kora was allowed to store his equipment on the property for his students use but that he never worked there. The teenager's mother discovered the relationship after reading e-mails between her daughter and Kora. (1-2 minutes in length - 10:00AM)

PROBLEM/NEED 1 – 10/10/05 – Detectives say a domestic dispute is to blame for a weekend fire. The fire at the Summit Center apartments in West Palm Beach gutted a duplex. Sheriff's deputies say it was started by a woman who first torched her boyfriend's clothes in a nearby dumpster, then later found her boyfriend with another woman and attacked them. When they left she allegedly set the apartment on fire. She is charged with arson and domestic battery. (1-2 minutes in length – 6:00AM)

PROBLEM/NEED 1 – 11/01/05 – Port St. Lucie police officers arrest the woman they say drove her car into two boys who were waiting for a school bus. Police say the woman veered off the road and into a 17-year-old boy killing him as he was standing on his driveway, they say she also hit a 15-year-old. Police held off arresting her until the results of her blood test came back. The test shows she was under the influence of methadone, Xanax and marijuana at the time of the crash. She stands charged with four felonies including DUI manslaughter and leaving the scene of a crime. (1-2 minutes in length - 5:30PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 1 – 11/18/05 – Last month an eight-month-old baby died after being left in a hot car for an hour. Tonight that child's grandfather was arrested and charged with aggravated manslaughter. Deputies say he left his granddaughter in her car seat after parking his car in the driveway of his Wellington home. He had a suspended license the day he drove his granddaughter in the car. (1-2 minutes in length - 6:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 1 – 12/15/05 – A Treasure Coast substitute teacher has been arrested. Port St. Lucie police say 59-year-old David Mindick is charged with six counts of lewd and lascivious acts. The charges are based on behavior with third graders at Manatee Elementary. (1-2 minutes in length - 12:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 1 – 12/19/05 –The Sheriff's office is investigating 12 more cases where a Treasure Coast contractor may be facing felony charges. The owner of a Fort Pierce shutter company was arrested after one of his clients did some digging. After ordering shutters last February and paying a deposit of $9,000, the client was still waiting for shutters in November. After digging through paperwork and records, the client uncovered enough evidence to have the owner of the shutter company charged with forgery. Scams and frauds such as this have increased tenfold since the hurricanes of last year, and state officials are trying to crackdown on price gauging and unscrupulous businessmen. (1-2 minutes in length - 12:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 1 – 12/27/05 – Former star relief pitcher Jeff Reardon is out of county jail after posting bond. Police say Reardon walked into a jewelry store in the Palm Beach Gardens Mall yesterday and robbed it. He reported handed the salesperson a note demanding money. Reardon's attorney blames his actions on prescription medications. He's been on anti-depressants since his son's death two years ago, and was also taking medication after undergoing a heart procedure last week. He retired from baseball in 1994 after 16 seasons. (1-2 minutes in length - 5:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 1 & 2 – 12/28/05 – A Boca Raton man is charged tonight with practicing medicine without a license. Police say he was operating out of a construction office in an industrial park area of Boca Raton. Officers found out about the illegal practice after a patient got sick. The office is marked as a construction and manufacturing corporation, but inside the man drew blood from people, analyzed it and made diagnoses. He would inject clients with nutritional supplements, including B-12, folic acid and oxygen. Police say most of his patients were newly arrived Hispanic immigrants who learned about him through word of mouth. One woman became very ill with a potentially fatal disease, and that drew the attention of the authorities. (1-2 minutes in length 5:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 2 – 10/18/05 – A Jensen Beach man is under arrest for practicing health care without a license. Stuart police arrested Gregory Blackman at his business, Sports Med Sciences USA. Police say Blackman is a former chiropractor whose license was revoked four years ago. Police are also looking into the time Blackman allegedly spent working at the Florida Fountain of Youth on Osceola Street. Detectives plan to contact patients at both places to see if anyone was treated by an unlicensed health care worker. (1-2 minutes in length -12:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 2 – 11/18/05 – Hundreds of people turned out for the Mental Health Association of Palm Beach County's 2nd Annual Women's Conference. Attendees heard from experts in the field of psychology on the effects of positive thinking, applying yoga to maximize our overall efficiency and how to overcome fear. A lot of it was done with humor and great camaraderie. The conference also raised funds for the myriad of programs the Mental Health Associations runs to aid, support and educate the public. (1-2 minutes in length - 5:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 2 – 11/22/05 – Doctors and Dentists who specialize in treating children have filed a class action lawsuit against Florida's three top health bureaucrats. The lawsuit accuses officials at the Department of Health, the Department of Children and Families and the Agency for Health Care Administration of failing to provide proper health care for children on Medicaid. Governor Jeb Bush disagrees. The pediatric doctors and dentists are indeed asking for more money, but they say that's just one part of the battle. The lawsuit quotes the state's own reports which indicate more than half a million Florida kids on Medicaid did not receive preventative health-care services in 2004. (1-2 minutes in length - 5:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 2 – 11/24/05 – On this Thanksgiving Day, a day of food indulgences, nutritionists want you to make sure you eat some colorful cancer fighting vegetables. Cranberries, carrots or squash are good examples. Use whole grain bread fro stuffing, switch our white mashed potatoes for sweet potatoes and finally take a walk later in the evening. (1-2 minutes in length - 6:00AM)

PROBLEM/NEED 2 – 12/2/05 – A new study shows women with a caffeine habit and family history of alcoholism are more likely to ignore doctor's recommendations and have excessive amounts of caffeine while pregnant. Researchers say the family history of alcoholism may cause a genetic vulnerability that leads to the inability to stop caffeine use. Caffeine use during pregnancy can cause spontaneous abortion and reduced fetal growth. (1-2 minutes - 6:00AM)

PROBLEM/NEED 2 – 12/7/05 – While many people survived the initial trauma of Hurricane Katrina, many survivors did not realize the full impact of the storm until weeks later. The Hurricanes of 2005 left thousands of people displaced and in despair creating depression, anger and post-traumatic stress. Mental health officials estimate half a million survivors may need counseling. Many of them rescue workers. The federal government sent 300 counselors to the disaster zone and so far has spent 21 million dollars on crisis counseling for a problem that may be just beginning. Experts warn drug and alcohol abuse are sure signs of stress, look for changes in behavior. (1-2 minutes in length - 5:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 2 –12/12/05 – A little exercise can go a long way for congestive heart failure patients. A study in rats that were predisposed to heart failure found the rats that exercised moderately had a 15% extension in life span. Researchers say humans and rats hearts are very similar and a simple walk every day may prolong life span and delay heart failure symptoms in humans. (1-2 minutes in length - 6:00AM)

PROBLEM/NEED 2 – 12/20/05 – Scientists at the NYU School of Medicine found that mice who were exposed to air as polluted as New York City's had higher cholesterol and more blocked arteries, major signs of heart disease, than those rats living in filtered air. It was worse for mice on high-fat diets and those at risk for heart disease. This study is the latest in a growing body of evidence linking pollution and heart disease. The NYU researcher also advised the Environmental Protection Agency on new clean air standards, specifically determining how much particulate matter in the air is safe. (1-2 minutes in length -5:30PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 2 – 12/20/05 – Scientists have uncovered proof that dark chocolate is good for you even if you smoke. Researchers tested the effects of dark and white chocolate on 20 male smokers. They found eating dark chocolate improved arterial blood flow and helped antioxidant levels go up. White chocolate however had no effect. Researchers conclude a small amount of dark chocolate a day may give you the antioxidants needed to benefit the heart. (1-2 minutes in length - 5:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 2 – 12/27/05- As the New Year approaches many people make the resolution to lose weight. To do that, you may be thinking about joining a gym. State leaders want you to keep a few things in mind so you don't lose money instead of weight. Check the club's track record, have a test trial day that way you can talk to current members, ask about the cancellation policy and fees. Here's an important thing to remember, under state law, you have the right to cancel a contract within three days of signing it. (1-2 minutes in length - 6:00AM)

PROBLEM/NEED 3 – 10/20/05 – The cost of sending your son or daughter to college is increasing. The College Board says tuition hikes actually slowed down this year, but still rose 7.1%, well above the rate of inflation. It now costs $5,500 a year to attend a four-year public university. The price of attending a two-year college rose about 5 ½ percent to $2,200 a year. (1-2 minutes in length -12:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 3 – 12/15/05 – Congressional Republicans have passed a bill that would cut federal aid to education for the first time in a decade. It's part of an effort to produce more than 40 billion dollars in deficit reductions through the end of the decade. (1-2 minutes in length - 6:00AM)

PROBLEM/NEED 3 – 10/6/05 – After a Broward county student was killed from a lightening, more schools assess their lightening detection systems. One school, St. Edwards in Vero Beach, isn't taking any chances. "Dorothy" is the name for the schools lightening prediction system, and her blinking strobe light means a storm is too close for comfort. The systems word is law, when the system detects lightening, every student is clear off the field and waits at least 20 minutes until the all clear is sounded by the system. Indian River County parks department has since bought its own system, and so have all of the public high schools in St. Lucie County. (1-2 minutes in length - 11:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 3 – 10/12/05 – When a hurricane is forecasted to hit South Florida, schools face the difficult decision on if and when to cancel class. Lately, the decision to not have school has been made in the afternoon putting many parents in a bind. A new method that integrates school telephone systems with a computer network would allow the district to contact every parent in less than 15 minutes. The program costs $10 million dollars. The School Board has yet to decide whether to purchase it. (1-2 minutes in length -6:00AM)

PROBLEM/NEED 3 – 11/28/05 – More than 6,000 Palm Beach County elementary students will receive free flu vaccinations starting today. In October the manufacturer of Flu-mist donated more than $2 million dollars worth of its product to students and teachers. The program was put on hold because Hurricane Wilma interfered with getting parental permission to administer the vaccine. County emergency medical technicians, school nurses and health department doctors will administer the spray to children (five and older) with signed parental consent forms. The Palm Beach County Health Department has received more flu shot vaccines, and more news will come in December about flu shot clinics. (1-2 minutes in length - 6:00AM)

PROBLEM/NEED 3 – 12/01/05 – Soda in school are not as popular as they were a couple of years ago. A new study shows students are drinking less soft drinks like Coke and Pepsi. Instead students are choosing sports drinks and fruit juices. The American Beverage Association said the decline is due in large part to students making healthier choices. Concerns over childhood obesity have led many schools to remove sodas from school property all together. (1-2 minutes in length - 5:30PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 3 – 11/16/05 – Florida education planners say the state will have to hire 32,000 new teachers for the next school year. Officials with the state board of education say the need is a result of more students, more teacher retirements and the class size reduction amendment. It's a demand that Florida colleges cannot meet. According to a report presented by the Board of Education, the number one reason that teachers quit the profession is salary and benefits. (1-2 minutes in length - 5:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 3 – 11/14/05 – A study predicts which premature babies are at higher risk for learning difficulties. Researchers tested preemies at 7 months and again at 2 & 3 years. The babies, who had poor attention, slow processing and poor recognition skills at 7 months were more likely to have lower cognitive scores as toddlers. Researchers say predicting difficulties early could help improve the long-term outcome of premature babies. (1-2 minutes in length - 6:00AM)

PROBLEM/NEED 3 – 12/27/05 – If Congress approves a deficit-reduction bill proposing the largest cuts in history to the federal student loan program, the interest rates charged to students could rise. The bill, which calls for $13 billion dollars in cuts, squeaked by, in the U.S. Senate on Wednesday. Experts say most of the cuts would affect private lenders who get government subsidies, and not families struggling to pay for college. The House is expected to pass the bill after members return from the holidays. (1-2 minutes in length - 6:00AM)

PROBLEM/NEED 3 –11/18/05 – The government will reveal more today about an experiment that will allow some states to tinker with a cornerstone of President Bush's No Child Left Behind Act. Student progress is currently measured by how this year's students stack up against last year's. (1-2 minutes in length - 6:00AM)

PROBLEM/NEED 4– 10/11/05 – A new study by the Sallie May Fund found half of the Black and Hispanic students asked believed cost is the biggest obstacle to attending college. The Fund has started a statewide ad campaign to bridge the so-called information gap by making sure minority students know there is money for college out there. One out of three students when asked said they'd never been given any financial aid information and researchers believe that hurts their futures. While the number of Hispanic students enrolling in Florida colleges is up, the number of Black students is at its lowest level in five years. Educators hope getting the word out about financial air will help more people in both groups achieve their dreams. (1-2 minutes in length - 5:30PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 4– 10/3/05 – A Hispanic restaurant and grocery store combination was profiled. El Bodegon has been open now for two years and it is finding success in offering Hispanic specialty food items to the area's many different Hispanic cultures that have long been ignored. The store has grown and expanded to a new location last year and has plans to expand their square footage in their new location later this year. When they do they will be the largest Hispanic grocery in the area. (1-2 minutes in length - 11:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 4 – 11/4/05 – Hispanics who are considered local heroes were honored today at a luncheon. The Hispanic Council of North Palm Beach County helped host the event in Palm Beach Gardens. One of the speakers was retired judge Mario Goderich. He was the first Hispanic judge in the state's circuit court and in the court of appeals. Three scholarships were given to local colleges to be awarded to Hispanic law school students. (1-2 minutes in length - 6:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 4 – 11/04/05 – After Hurricane Wilma knocked out their power a local medical clinic – the "Integral Clinic" in Lake Worth opened it doors again thanks to generators. Many of the patients who come here don't have insurance and needed a place to get medical attention after the storm. Now that power has been restored to the area, the clinic is back to full speed, but for many patients it is not just the clinic's medical services, but the social services they provide that make it an important part of the community. The staff has many doctors and nurses that are familiar with many different Spanish dialects, and can make many immigrants feel welcome and cared for in this community. (1-2 minutes in length - 5:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 4 – 12/18/05 – The sound of Latin music filled the Kravis Theater tonight. It was part of the Hispanic Song Festival. This year's show featured a number of rising young musicians. The show honored Tito Puente, Jr. (1-2 minutes in length - 11:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 4 – 10/19/05 – A confrontation in a Riviera Beach McDonald's left one man dead and another fighting for his life. It is a dangerous part of a city that is mostly minority, and most underprivileged. Young employees at McDonald's were questioned as to what went on. No one is sure exactly what went wrong and why the shootings occurred. The main road through Riviera Beach was shut down as police gathered evidence, and onlookers said the shooting took place where drug deals are commonplace. (1-2 minutes in length - 5:00AM)

PROBLEM/NEED 4 – 10/18/05 – A state audit of Riviera Beach's finances will determine whether the City and the Community Redevelopment Agency are operating properly. The state's joint legislative auditing committee voted in favor of the audit. State lawmakers point out the problem area is the recreation department. The city still does not have an answer as to what happened to $10,000 dollars in missing football equipment or where $150,000 on a youth football program exactly went. Many of Rivera's residents are poor and cannot easily replace the missing money or equipment. (1-2 minutes in length - 6:00AM)

PROBLEM/NEED 4 – 11/24/05 –Today was a time to help others in Riviera Beach. Members of the Heart and Soul ministry celebrated the spirit of the holiday by serving up hundreds of free meals to those in need. The ministry prepared turkey with all the trimmings for more than two hundred people. They plan to make the Thanksgiving feast an annual tradition. (1-2 minutes in length - 5:30PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 4 – 12/15/05 – What city leaders in Riviera Beach say is for the greater good, some residents say is destroying what they know as "home, sweet home." It's a battle over eminent domain, the largest case in the U.S. in 50 years. Thousands of homes and apartments sitting on more than 400 acres could soon be condemned, seized and bulldozed. A ten year, $1 billion dollar redevelopment plan would replace these neighborhoods with hotels, shops and theaters and an aquarium. The mayor and other city leaders believe the plan will create jobs, new housing, improve the quality of life and increase tax revenue. Residents see it as a plan that will force out thousands. (1-2 minutes in length - 6:00AM)

PROBLEM/NEED 4 – 12/30/05 – At 5:00AM in Riviera Beach this morning residents of the Tiffany Lakes Apartment complex were awakened by gunfire as police officers became involved in a shootout between two men wanted for armed robbery and an officer. They were riding in a stolen SUV, when the officer pulled over their car and they shot at the officer and wounded him and shot at his vehicle. They then fled. Detectives are questioning 5 people in connection with this shooting and another in which a 51-year-old woman was killed in the crossfire. (1-2 minutes in length - 6:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 5 –12/13/05 – The U.S. House is holding a hearing on prescription drugs and the Internet. They'll host a forum on strengthening restrictions on controlled substances that people buy online. The Customs Bureau, the FDA and the DEA will attend the forum. They'll meet with representatives from companies like, FedEx, Yahoo and Google to see what can be done to regulate or restrict the purchasing. (1-2 minutes in length - 5:00AM)

PROBLEM/NEED 5 – 12/19/05 – A new study found that teenagers are smoking less but more are abusing prescription drugs. The survey of high school students found fewer teens are smoking and drinking alcohol. It also found the use of Ecstasy and steroids are down. But studies also showed there's an increase in the use of sleeping pills and painkillers such as Oxycontin. (1-2 minutes in length 11:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 5 – 12/28/05– Federal prosecutors say a Boca Raton company falsely advertised federally approved cancer, migraine and flu fighting drugs. Flu Fighter Laboratories has web sites that promote drugs claiming to be FDA approved cures for those ailments. The prosecutors' motion filed in U.S. District Court claims the company conspired to defraud the U.S. and F.D.A. by advertising and selling misbranded and unapproved new drugs. (1-2 minutes in length - 5:00AM)

PROBLEM/NEED 5 – 12/01/05 – Smoking marijuana could put some people at a higher risk of developing schizophrenia. A new study suggests heavy marijuana use may put adolescents who are genetically predisposed to schizophrenia at a great risk of developing it. (1-2 minutes in length - 6:00AM)

PROBLEM/NEED 5 – 11/07/05 – A traffic stop turned into a major drug bust for St. Lucie County Sheriff's officers. They found $3 million dollars worth of cocaine. Deputies stopped a man on the turnpike for speeding, and they became suspicious when the driver tried to pass off a Mexican ID as a driver's license. The driver had prescription pills but no prescription. It took several hours and the help of a drug sniffing dog to locate the cocaine in the minivan. Police believe it was coming to South Florida from Mexico. (1-2 minutes in length - 11:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 5 – 12/13/05 – A quarter of a ton of cocaine will never make it to the streets, after federal drug agents arrested 31-year-old Jose Pagan as he was putting drugs on his fishing boat. Another person with him was also arrested. The cocaine was valued at more than $5 million dollars. (1-2 minutes in length - 12:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 5 – 12/23/05 – In medical news, a study in mice finds cocaine causes changes in the brain making cells vulnerable to environmental toxins that could cause Parkinson's Disease. The study also found pregnant mice that were exposed to cocaine increased the chances that their offspring would develop Parkinson's later in life. (1-2 minutes in length - 6:00AM)

PROBLEM/NEED 6 – 12/14/05 – Martin County commissioners asked the governor to declare a state of emergency for the St. Lucie River. Low salinity, pollution and high bacteria levels are problems that have persisted in the river for several months. The river is taking on about 1 ½ million gallons of polluted water per minute from Lake Okeechobee. Oysters and sea grasses have died and toxic algae covered much of the river since before Hurricane Wilma hit. Environmentalists are trying very hard to bring the river's problems to the attention of lawmakers so that funds can be appropriated to fix the pollution problems before the river completely dies. (1-2 minutes in length - 6:00AM)

PROBLEM/NEED 6 – 10/31/05 – More than 100 injured animals have been brought to the Busch Wildlife Sanctuary in Jupiter since Hurricane Wilma. Mostly they are native yet exotic birds like osprey, wood storks and peregrine falcons. Last year the Sanctuary itself took a lot of damage and it took months to recover. Now the veterinarians at the Sanctuary are working overtime handling orthopedic surgery on the wild animals being found and brought in for help. (1-2 minutes in length - 6:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 6 – 11/14/05– While around the nation recreational boating fatalities have dropped last year to the lowest since 1960, here in Florida they have increased slightly. Statistics reveal that alcohol is involved in about one third of all boating accidents. The problem in Florida seems to be younger and younger boat operators who are not properly trained in seamanship procedures. Many become involved with jet skis, and the results are tragic. The Coast Guard and Marine Patrol does all it can but the increases are making it hard to keep up. (1-2 minutes in length - 6:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 6 – 12/13/05 – After Hurricane Wilma many of Palm Beach County's parks sustained major tree damage or were used as staging grounds for tree and shrub recycling. All are now opened except for Spanish River Park in Boca Raton. The southern portion of the county sustained heavier damage and there were a number of large, Pine and Ficus trees in that park. Boca Raton's city council is scheduled to approve one million dollars to pay for storm repairs to parks and medians. (1-2 minutes in length - 5:30PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 6 – 11/08/05 – After Hurricane Wilma the canals surrounding Lake Okeechobee faced on unusual problem. All kinds of debris were found in the canals and are now filling them up so that they cannot serve their purpose. South Florida's Water Management District excavation operators are working with tow boats and back hoes to plow through yards of debris that is everything from downed trees to campers, trailers and swing sets. It will take months after the storm to clear all of the canals affected in Palm Beach, Dade and Broward counties. Once the debris is cleared it is sorted and disposed of, and Water Management wants to get the waterways cleared as quickly as possible. (1-2 minutes in length - 11:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 6 – 11/11/05 – The affects of Hurricane Wilma have taken their toll on the sugar cane industry here in our region. A cooperative of sugar cane farmers has lost millions of dollars in both sugar cane crops that have been damaged and may not be salvageable but also in damage to the processing plant. Everyday the plant does not run is money lost to the farmers and to the local economy. The cooperative is scrambling to get next year's crop planted and $9 million dollars of damage to the processing plant repaired before the harvest of next year. (1-2 minutes in length - 5:30PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 6 – 12/28/05 – The year 2005 will go out as one of the worst years for Florida agriculture in recent memory. The four storms that struck the state caused over $2 billion dollars in damage to the state's crops and farming infrastructure. Wind damage from Wilma trimmed the state's citrus production by fifteen percent this season. But the most lasting effects may be the hurricanes' spreading citrus canker across the state. Agricultural experts estimate that the 2005 hurricanes could be responsible for spreading canker to a quarter of the state's commercial citrus groves. (1-2 minutes in length - 12:00PM)

2.A. TITLE: NBC NETWORK/SYNDICATED
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THESE PROGRAMS FEATURE PROMINENT NEWSMAKERS ON A NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL LEVEL, OR AS FICTIONAL DEPICTIONS OF CURRENT TOPICS.

PROBLEM/NEED 1 – 10/04/05 – Because of recent high-profile child abduction stories, Oprah dedicated an entire show to the problems of child abduction and convicted sex offenders and how they get access to children. The show told parents how to teach their children to avoid predators and also what we can do as a country to make tougher laws to keep pedophiles away from young children and communities. (60 minutes in length 4:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 2 – 10/11/05 – This Oprah show dealt with the subject of America's poor. The people living just below the poverty line who have no health care, no savings and yet in many cases go to work every day. The problem is staggering as more than 37 million people live this way. And very little is being done to that these people can afford the basics of education, housing and health care. (60 minutes in length 4:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 2 – 10/19/05 – This Oprah Winfrey show interviewed Dr. Oz, Oprah's favorite physician who spoke about how heart disease is the number one killer of women and what the symptoms of heart attack are. He also spoke about different

diagnostic tests that women should be asking for from their doctors. (60 minutes in length 4:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 1 – 11/28/05 – The Oprah Winfrey program has been following a 17-year-old meth amphetamine addict's attempts at giving up her addiction and going clean. This show not only looks at her struggle and whether she was successful, but also the many other "normal" people who you might meet in your day-to-day that also hide addictions to drugs, alcohol, prescription pain killers and over the counter medication. The problem has become a nationwide epidemic, and this show explores how pervasive the problem is. (60 minutes in length 4:00PM)

PROBLEM/NEED 4 – 12/27/05 –This Oprah show featured the cast of the movie "Crash" and looked at how much racism and prejudice people actually carry around with them. So many people racially stereotype minorities as people who are likely to commit violent crimes and be untrustworthy. The movie asks people to assess their preconceived notions and to examine their own behaviors and beliefs. (60 minutes in length 4:00PM)