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Below is a listing of some of the issues and/or problems that we have become aware of during this past quarter and a description of some of the programs that we aired to address these issues.

FAITH IN ACTION (FIA) is a locally produced 28 minute program. It is co-hosted by station manager Jim Ganley and Brigid Ayer. Each program features one or more in-studio guests (or by phone) and addresses a particular issue. Each week, two different programs are produced and aired. Each program is broadcast three times during the specific week indicated. Some of the programs and their topics are listed below. The programs are aired every week on the following schedule:

Schedule A Monday 12:00 PM, Thursday 4 PM, and Saturday at noon. Schedule B Monday 4 PM, Friday 12:00 PM, and Saturday at 12:30 PM

Need for Health Care for the Elderly and the Poor

Three times during the week of April 5-10th, FIA (Schedule A) featured an interview with Kace Escobedo and Dr. Nicholas Priscu (Medical Director) of the Pace Center, a service of Franciscan Alliance. They talked about the programs that their organization offers to help the elderly and poor secure needed medical service.

Three times during the week of June 14-19th, FIA (Schedule A) featured an interview with Anita Siccardi and Patricia Partridge from the Seton Health Ministry. They spoke about the various services that their organization offers for the elderly and underprivileged population.

Need to break the Inner City Cycle of Violence

Three times during the week of May 31-June 5, FIA (Schedule A) featured an interview with William Davis who heads up Vagabond Mission which is starting up a program in inner-city Indianapolis. Their program will give youth a safe place to spend time, do homework and learn life skills in some of Indy's more violent neighborhoods.

Foster Care for Unaccompanied Minors

Because of the fact that unaccompanied minors are entering the United States both Catholic Charities and Bethany Christian Service offer program to find foster care for these young people. Three times during the week of April 26-May 1, FIA (Schedule B) feature representatives from these organizations talking about programs that they offer to help resolve this issue.

Help for the Needy

Three times during the Week of April 19-24th, FIA (Schedule A) featured an interview with Hannah Yowler and Colleen Schena from the COMMON THREADS-Clothing for those in Need organization talked about how people can help donate to this program and how people can avail themselves of the services that they offer.

Suicide and Mental Health

Indiana ranks very high in the nation for deaths by suicide. Three times during the week of May 17-22, FIA (Schedule A), featured information about this topic from Christine Turo-Shields and Kelsey Steuer. Both are part of local suicide prevention programs.

Human Trafficking

Three times during the week of April 19-24, FIA (Schedule B) featured and interview with Simona Reising. She is director of CARE, an organization that works to identify and slow human trafficking which is a growing problem in the nation and here in Indianapolis.

Need for Strong Families to Reduce Gang Membership and Violence in the City

Three times during the week of April 14-17, FIA (Schedule A) featured in interview with Marcy and Tom Renken talking about how to start a family based ministry in local parishes.

Three times during the week of June 21-26, FIA (Schedule A) feature an interview with Michael O'Rourke. He is the founder of a ministry called, "Strong Catholic Dad". Its sole purpose is to provide dads with interesting and fun things that dads can do with their families which teaching them the values that will help the children learn the skills and values they will need to become good citizens.