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Weekly Public Affairs Program

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1. Susan Frankel, Executive Director at National Runaway Safeline

Ms. Frankel discussed the increasing problem of runaway and homeless teenagers. She said 1 out of 30 youth ages 13-17 experience homelessness at some point each year, 4.2 million in all. She explained the reasons that young people leave and how they survive on the streets. She outlined the services that her organization offers to help.

Issues covered: Youth at Risk Homelessness Parenting

2. William Chopik, PhD, Associate Professor of Psychology at Michigan State University

Prof. Chopik led a study that examined biases toward people with disabilities. He said bias toward people with disabilities is quite common, but few will acknowledge it. He talked about the demographic groups who are most likely to be prejudiced towards the disabled, and how the problem can be addressed.

<u>Issues covered:</u> <u>Length:</u> 7:37

Disabilities
Discrimination

3. **Julius McGee**, **PhD**, Assistant Professor of Sociology in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences at Portland State University

Efforts to replace fossil fuels with renewable energy sources can help lower carbon emissions. However, Prof. McGee led a recent study that found that renewable energy increases "energy inequality" for lower-income Americans because it costs more than energy produced by oil, coal and natural gas.

Issues covered:
Renewable Energy
Poverty
Government Policies