

**ABC ACTION NEWS, TAMPA BAY, FLORIDA**

**PROBLEMS, ISSUES AND**

**RESPONSIVE LOCAL PROGRAMMING REPORT**

**FOURTH QUARTER 2014**

The following is a Problems/Needs Survey List of the issues and concerns of Tampa Bay. These categories, identified and discussed through the Ascertainment process, are not listed in order of importance.

<b><u>Category</u></b>	<b><u>Description</u></b>
1.	Drugs, Alcohol Abuse and Related Crimes
2.	Education
3.	Crime
4.	Growth Management / Economic Development
5.	Healthcare / Medical Research
6.	Public Safety / Public Services
7.	Senior Citizen Programs
8.	Literacy
9.	Unemployment
10.	Youth Programs
11.	Teen Pregnancy / Sex Education
12.	Budget Deficit
13.	The Homeless
14.	Hunger / Poverty
15.	Programs to Assist Low Income Families
16.	Environmental Protection / Pollution / Air Quality
17.	Transportation / Inadequate Road Systems
18.	AIDS
19.	Programs for the Blind, Handicapped and Learning Disabled
20.	Family Support Groups & Social Services
21.	Shelters, Support and Counseling for Children in Crisis
22.	Spouse Abuse / Domestic Violence
23.	Discrimination
24.	Religion
25.	Abortion Issue
26.	Civic Pride / Community Spirit

27. Child Care / Affordable Day Care
28. Agriculture
29. Parental Involvement / School Support
30. Child Abuse
31. Morality / Quality of Life
32. Adequate Housing / Affordable Housing
33. Joint Agenda for Problem Solving in Hillsborough & Pinellas County
34. Taxes
35. Juvenile Delinquency / Youth Violence
36. Political, Business and Media Leadership
37. Disaster / Emergency Planning
38. Voter Awareness
39. Family Unit
40. Volunteerism
41. Minority Businesses
42. Arts and Cultural Awareness
43. Water Quality / Water Conservation
44. School Integration / Busing / Desegregation in Schools
45. Concerns of African Americans
46. Concerns of Women and Other Minorities
47. Single Parenting
48. Animal Rights
49. Funding for Local Infrastructure
50. Decentralization of Industries
51. Civil Rights / Civil Unrest
52. Boating Safety
53. Employee Safety
54. Gun Safety
55. Teen Suicide
56. Recession / Economy
57. Consumer Advocacy

- 58. Abductions / Crimes Against Children
- 59. Judicial / Penal System
- 60. Government Funding
- 61. Veterans Services
- 62. Welfare Reform
- 63. Acts of Terrorism

## **Consumer Update**

**4th Quarter - 2014**

Length: @24:56

Air Day: Monthly

Air Time: Varies

*Description: Consumer Update is a half-hour informative monthly program that allows local businesses to discuss their products and services. Each month we welcome different guests who may have product demonstrations on our set or use visual aids to enhance their segment. The program is videotaped on Tuesday before its airdate to keep the show current and allow time for the publicity of upcoming events.*

### **OCTOBER: Airdate, Sunday October 12, 2014 - 1:00pm**

We had 2 new client segments and 1 replay:

1. DOMA
2. Maggie Tax
3. Banko Doors (from August 2014)

### **NOVEMBER: Airdate, Sunday November 16, 2014 – 1:00pm**

We had 3 new client segments:

1. Clinical Research of West Florida
2. Stand-up Guys
3. Southern Landscaping

### **DECEMBER: Airdate, Sunday December 7, 2014 – 1:00pm**

We had 3 new client segments:

1. Florida Hospital
2. Certified Foundations
3. Tampa Bay Federal Credit Union

## Fourth Quarter FCC Report 2014 / October 1, 2014 – December 31, 2014

### Positively Tampa Bay – Community Affairs Segment

Length of each segment: approximately 4 minutes

Frequency: Weekdays on ABC Action News at Noon (Tuesdays – Fridays)

Description: Positively Tampa Bay (PTB) interview segments are part of WFTS' year round commitment to increase daily coverage of local charities, community service projects and individuals making a positive difference in the Tampa Bay area. PTB segments also provide a regular venue in which to showcase community events that are a source of pride. And lastly, PTB segments allow us to explore community issues in greater length. A typical news story is 90 seconds. PTB segments are part of all ABC Action News media platforms: television broadcast, the web page ([www.abcactionnews.com/about-us/community](http://www.abcactionnews.com/about-us/community)) and social media accounts. (Facebook.com/PositivelyTampaBay & Twitter: Positively Tampa) PTB segments air between 12:45pm – 12:55pm; are produced-hosted by Lissette Campos, WFTS TV Director of Community Affairs. During this fourth quarter, we produced 48 PTB segments.

#### Highlights:

October 1 – 15, 2014 includes the final two weeks of **National Hispanic Heritage Month**. (Sept 15 – October 15) Positively Tampa Bay's Salute to Hispanic Heritage Month this year centered on food! The Emmy award winning journalist and host of Positively Tampa Bay, Lissette Campos, is Cuban-American. Born in Long Island, New York to Cuban immigrants, she grew up in a bilingual and bicultural home – where food was always at the center of their family time. What today's chefs refer to as "fusion" recipes (a combination of Latin and American recipes to create something new) Lissette's mom has been doing since the 60's! The food series aired weekly. The segments in this quarter showcased local chefs Zack Gross and Rene Valenzuela.

October 3, 2014 – PTB segment with chef Zack Gross, owner of Z-Grille in St. Petersburg. Gross shared his fish taco recipe and talked about growing up in a bicultural home. His mother was Mexican. Issues Addressed: 26, 42

October 10, 2014 – PTB segment with chef Max Sherard, Sous Chef of Elevage at the Epicurean Hotel in South Tampa. Sherard shared a chips and salsa recipe called "chilequillas" and talked about the growing trend of "Latin fusion" recipes – where chefs use traditional Latin recipes to create NEW recipe with other ethnic influences. Epicurean hosted a series of food demonstrations and wine tastings at the hotel to coincide with our PTB series celebrating Hispanic Heritage Month. Invited chefs were restaurant owners from across the Tampa Bay area and not exclusive to the Epicurean Hotel. Issues Addressed: 26, 42

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October 1 – 30, 2014 included the final 4 weeks of our **6<sup>th</sup> annual Taking Action Against Domestic Violence Campaign**. The campaign included PTB interviews with local advocates, law enforcement officers, and DV survivors. The content of the interview segments are appropriate for the noon when young children may be watching. The primary mission of these PTB segments is to raise awareness of the statewide dv hotline (1-800-500-1119) which is prominently displayed at the end of each and every DV related segment on Positively Tampa Bay. PTB was also the foundation for live streaming effort from Plant High School in Tampa with nationally recognized expert on gender-violence, Dr. Jackson Katz. Details are below.

October 13, 2014 – Dr. Jackson Katz presentation of “Men in Violence Prevention” MVP program to students at Plant High School. This was live streamed on ABC Action News Now to make the presentation on gender violence available to any interested viewers, including high schools in our entire viewing area. Katz talked to students about skewed view of gender roles and how some of those views actually contribute to dating and domestic violence. He suggested ways young men can change those attitudes and hold peers accountable. At first the teens in the auditorium appeared un-interested or somewhat embarrassed, but 15 minutes into the presentation we saw a marked difference. The cell phones were put away. There was no talking or giggling in the crowd. The kids were actually leaning forward in their seats to hear Dr. Katz! Issues Addressed: 22, 29, 39, 46

October 22, 2014 – Get 2 Zero Phone Bank at Noon on PTB launched our fundraising effort for state certified domestic violence centers in our viewing area. Volunteers and staff from Hillsborough, Pinellas, Polk, Pasco, Hernando and Sarasota answered the phones. Callers making donations would select which DV center or specific project at a DV center they wanted to direct their \$\$ to. The Get 2 Zero Phone Bank (Noon – 6pm) raised \$4,445 – most of it was \$10 and \$25 donations from viewers. Issues Addressed: 6, 10, 20, 21, 22, 46

December 17, 2014 – Taking Action Against Domestic Violence campaign this fall inspired Brookstone store chain to donate \$2,500 to CASA DV Center in St. Petersburg, FL for construction of its new shelter. Brookstone representative presented the donation during PTB segment and explained the company was visiting select cities in different states this holiday shopping season to donate funds to local charities doing great community work. CASA, the state certified DV center serving Pinellas, was the only charity of its kind included in Brookstone’s list of beneficiaries! Issues Addressed: 21, 36, 40, 46

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November 24 – December 15, 2014 ---**Salvation Army Angel Tree program** continued for a 15<sup>th</sup> year at ABC Action News! Thousands of needy families are identified, in advance of the program, by the local chapter of the Salvation Army. Paper angels are produced representing each child and includes a toy on his or her wish list & a basic item they need – like socks, shoes, bed sheets, even underwear. We expanded our coverage this year to include two additional counties. PTB segments with representatives from Hillsborough, Pinellas and Polk chapters/units of the Salvation Army were part of this year's effort.

November 18, 2014 – PTB segment with Major Leisa Hall of Salvation Army Tampa Bay area unit announced the Nov. 24 start date of our Angel Tree program this year. She explained how the program works and how each child's family is also helped with a food basket, if needed. In Hillsborough county alone, approximately 6,000 children were helped by the Angel Tree program in 2014. Issues Addressed: 15, 36, 40

December 12, 2014 – PTB segment was with Captain Heidi Farrell of the Salvation Army - St. Petersburg Unit and Major Connie Morris of the Salvation Army - Lakeland & W. Polk County Unit. Approximately 5,000 needy children benefitted from the Angel Tree program in Pinellas and another 3,800 children were helped in Polk county area. Issues Addressed: 15, 36, 40

December 15, 2014 – PTB segment with Major Leisa Hall was on the final 24 hours of the 2014 Angel Tree program! Major Hall explained the growing need by local families. The ABC Action News holiday tree had 350 angels for adoption this year and adoptions were not going as well as prior year when we hosted 500! With 24 hours left, our tree still had just 43 angels on the tree. Our interview with Major Hall was at 12:45pm. Within 30 minutes, a local resident came in and adopted all 43 remaining angels on the tree to ensure no child was left out. The man asked to remain anonymous. He's done this for 4 consecutive years. Issues Addressed: 15, 36, 40

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**FCC REPORT  
TAKING ACTION FOR YOU LOGS  
OCTOBER - DECEMBER 2014**

**STORY: SURGERY ALLOWS MAN TO WALK.**

**REPORTER:** Jackie Callaway - 5pm

**DATE:** 10/07/14

**LENGTH:** 1:51

**SUMMARY:** CONSUMER SUFFERED FROM HORRIBLE PAIN AND COULD NOT WALK. HE NEEDED A SURGERY HIS INSURANCE WOULD NOT APPROVE. WE MEDIATE GOT APPROVAL AND THE SURGERY TOOK AWAY MUCH OF HIS BACK PAIN.

**STORY: RUN OR DYE FOLLOW UP**

**REPORTER:** Jackie Callaway - 11pm

**DATE:** 10/9/14

**LENGTH:** 1:32

**SUMMARY:** WE FOLLOW UP ON OUR STORY INTO A COLOR RUN PROMOTER TO FIND OUT WHY THEY ARE CANCELLING AND WHERE THE REGISTRATION MONEY IS GOING AS SOME OF IT IS SUPPOSE TO GO TO CHARITY.

**STORY: GSA SERVICES IS ACCUSED OF RIPPING PEOPLE OFF**

**REPORTER:** Jackie Callaway - 5pm

**DATE:** 10/14/14

**LENGTH:** 1:58

**SUMMARY:** LOCAL COMPANY INVESTIGATED FOR OFFERING TO SECURE GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS WHEN IN FACT MANY CUSTOMERS SAID THEY RECEIVED NOTHING IN RETURN FOR THE FEE.

**STORY: HOW TO REPAIR YOUR CREDIT**

**REPORTER:** Jackie Callaway - 5pm

**DATE:** 10/16/14

**LENGTH:** 1:22

**SUMMARY:** TOP 5 STEPS YOU CAN TAKE TO REPAIR YOUR CREDIT.

**STORY: BAD WATER IN MOBILE HOME PARK**

**REPORTER:** Jackie Callaway - 5pm

**DATE:** 10/23/14

**LENGTH:** 1:46

**SUMMARY:** RESIDENTS OF THE MOBILE HOME PARK SAY THE WATER SMELLED LIKE BLEACH. WE FOUND OUT A MECHANICAL PROBLEM LED TO ABOVE AVERAGE RATES OF CHLORINE TO BE RELEASED INTO THE WATER SUPPLY.

**STORY: NURSING HOME REFUND**

**REPORTER:** Jackie Callaway - 5pm

**DATE:** 10/28/14

**LENGTH:** 1:26

**SUMMARY:** CONSUMER'S MOM ADMITTED TO REHAB AND THEY DOUBLE BILLED THE FAMILY AND THE INSURANCE. WE OBTAINED A REFUND FOR THE FAMILY.

**STORY: UNLICENSED CONTRACTOR**

**REPORTER:** Jackie Callaway - 5pm

**DATE:** 10/30/14

**LENGTH:** 1:28

**SUMMARY:** UNLICENSED CONTRACTOR GOES TO COURT AFTER 4 DIFFERENT HOMEOWNERS SAY HE TOOK THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS AND NEVER DID THE WORK.

**STORY: MELTING DASH FOLLOW**

**REPORTER:** Jackie Callaway - 5pm

**DATE:** 11/4/14

**LENGTH:** 1:24

**SUMMARY:** TOYOTA AGREES TO REPLACE THE DASHES IN MILLIONS OF CARS AFTER REPORTS THAT CERTAIN MODELS WERE MELTING.

**STORY: GSA FOLLOW**

**REPORTER:** Jackie Callaway - 5pm

**DATE:** 11/6/14

**LENGTH:** 1:40

**SUMMARY:** GOVERNMENT SHUTS DOWN COMPANY THAT IS ACCUSED OF TRICKING BUSINESSES INTO THINKING THEY CAN OBTAIN GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS FOR A FEE.

**STORY: FLAGSTAR BANK IS FINED**

**REPORTER:** Jackie Callaway - 5pm

**DATE:** 11/13/14

**LENGTH:** 1:47

**SUMMARY:** GOVERNMENT ORDERS BANK TO PAY MILLIONS OF DOLLARS TO HOMEOWNERS AFTER IGNORING THEIR APPLICATIONS FOR LOAN MODIFICATIONS.

**STORY: SOCIAL SECURITY GOES MISSING**

**REPORTER:** Jackie Callaway - 5pm

**DATE:** 11/18/14

**LENGTH:** 1:13

**SUMMARY:** RETIRED POLICE OFFICER CAN'T GET HIS BENEFITS UNTIL WE GET INVOLVED.

**STORY: WAREHOUSE CLUB COMPARISON**

**REPORTER:** Jackie Callaway - 5pm

**DATE:** 11/20/14

**LENGTH:** 1:32

**SUMMARY:** WE PRICE 20 DIFFERENT ITEMS AT THE 3 BIG SHOPPING CLUBS TO SEE WHERE YOU SAVE THE MOST MONEY.

**STORY: Black Friday Strategy**

**REPORTER:** Jackie Callaway - 5pm

**DATE:** 11-25-14

**LENGTH:** 1:34

**SUMMARY:** HOW TO SAVE THE MOST AND MAKE THE MOST OF YOUR TIME ON BLACK FRIDAY

**STORY: BLACK FRIDAY PRICES**

**REPORTER:** Jackie Callaway - 5pm

**DATE:** 11/27/14

**LENGTH:** 1:42

**SUMMARY:** WHERE TO FIND THE BEST PRICES IN SEVERAL COMMON CATEGORIES.

**STORY: FIRE GRILLS POSE DANGER**

**REPORTER:** Jackie Callaway - 5pm

**DATE:** 12/2/14

**LENGTH:** 1:15

**SUMMARY:** CERTAIN GRILLS ARE RUSTING OUT JUST ABOVE THE PROPANE TANK NOW SEARS IS WILLING TO FIX THEM.

**STORY: TAX TIPS**

**REPORTER:** Jackie Callaway - 5pm

**DATE:** 12/4/14

**LENGTH:** 1:42

**SUMMARY:** YEAR END TAX TIPS TO MAKE THE MOST OF YOUR REFUND.

**STORY: PHISHING SCAMS TARGET HOLIDAY SHOPPERS**

**REPORTER:** Jackie Callaway - 5pm

**DATE:** 12-9-14

**LENGTH:** 1:25

**SUMMARY:** NEW ON LINE SCAMS MAKE PEOPLE THINK THEY ARE GETTING A DELIVERY CONFIRMATION ON A GIFT THEY ORDERED WHEN IN FACT IT IS MALWARE.

**STORY: HUMANA ERROR**

**REPORTER:** Jackie Callaway - 5pm

**DATE:** 12/11/14

**LENGTH:** 1:28

**SUMMARY:** WOMAN SIGNS UP FOR HEALTH CARE BUT CAN'T GET INSURANCE COVERAGE DUE TO ERRORS ON HER ID CARD.

**STORY: PC TROUBLE**

**REPORTER:** Jackie Callaway - 5pm

**DATE:** 12/16/14

**LENGTH:** 1:31

**SUMMARY:** WOMAN BOUGHT A NEW LAP TOP AND IT DID NOT WORK. EIGHT MONTHS LATER SHE'D SENT IT BACK 5 TIMES AND IT WAS STILL BROKEN. WE MEDIATED A NEW COMPUTER FOR HER.

**STORY: CHRISTMAS DELIVERY**

**REPORTER:** Jackie Callaway - 6pm

**DATE:** 12/18/14

**LENGTH:** 1:50

**SUMMARY:** SINGLE MOM LIVING IN A HOTEL ROOM WITH 3 KIDS AND WE FOUND A VIEWER WHO ADOPTED THE FAMILY FOR CHRISTMAS.

**STORY: CAR REPAIRS AND YOUR RIGHTS**

**REPORTER:** Jackie Callaway - 5pm

**DATE:** 12/29/14

**LENGTH:** 1:09

**SUMMARY:** WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW BEFORE YOU DROP OFF YOUR CAR FOR REPAIR.

**FCC REPORT  
I-TEAM INVESTIGATIONS  
OCTOBER - DECEMBER 2014**

**STORY: TOWING BLUNDER**

**REPORTER:** Callaway - 11pm

**DATE:** 10-6-14

**LENGTH:** 1:50

**SUMMARY:** THEY DID NOTHING ILLEGAL BUT GOT TOWED ANYWAY. THE VICTIMS AT SOUTH TAMPA BUSINESSES CLAIM THEIR CALLS FOR HELP FELL ON DEAF EARS... THAT'S BEFORE CALLING OUR JACKIE CALLAWAY. CHRISTINE DYKSTRA SAYS THIS PICTURE PROVES SPLIT SECOND SNATCHED HER VEHICLE FROM A LEGAL PARKING SPACE AND IS ONE OF THREE PEOPLE WHO WORK ON THIS BLOCK WHO SAY THE SAME THING HAPPENED TO THEM. THE CITY ESTABLISHED 17 FEET OF EASEMENT RIGHT OF WAY, MEANING THE 17 FEET FROM THE EDGE OF THE ROAD IS FAIR GAME AND FREE PARKING ACCORDING TO THE PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION. AFTER OUR CALL THE PTC ASKED SPLIT SECOND TOWING TO PRODUCE PICTURES TO PROVE THE TOW WAS LEGAL. THE COMPANY TOLD US THEY WERE UNAWARE OF THE 17 FOOT EASEMENT RULE IN THAT PARTICULAR AREA AND REFUNDED THE MONEY.

**STORY: DOGGIE DAYCARE**

**REPORTER:** Callaway - 11pm

**DATE:** 10-13-14

**LENGTH:** 2:13

**SUMMARY:** HOW MUCH DO YOU REALLY KNOW ABOUT THE DOGGIE DAY CARE TAKING CARE OF YOUR FOUR LEGGED FAMILY MEMBER? IN FLORIDA IT IS AN UNREGULATED INDUSTRY WHERE THE BUSINESS OWNERS MAKE THEIR OWN POLICIES AND PROCEDURES. WE SHOW YOU WHAT YOU DON'T KNOW AND WHAT TO LOOK OUT FOR BEFORE DROPPING OFF YOUR PET.

**STORY: DIRTY DINING - BEVERLY'S**

**REPORTER:** Ryan - 11pm

**DATE:** 10-14-14

**LENGTH:** 1:41

**SUMMARY:** PANCAKES, FRENCH TOAST, AND SAUSAGE LINKS... ALL SOUNDS LIKE A GREAT BREAKFAST. BUT ONE LOCAL LANDMARK SERVING UP HOME-MADE FOOD HAD TO THROW OUT POUNDS OF IT BECAUSE OF DANGEROUS TEMPERATURES THAT COULD MAKE YOU SICK. WE'RE UNCOVERING THE 110 VIOLATIONS DOCUMENTED IN THE LAST YEAR N TONIGHT'S DIRTY DINING AT BEVERLY'S LA CROISSETTE FAMILY RESTAURANT ON GULF BLVD IN ST PETE BEACH. THE BREAKFAST AND LUNCH HANG-OUT HAD TO THROW OUT OVER 32 POUNDS OF FOOD IN THE LAST 10 MONTHS AFTER INSPECTORS FIND DANGEROUS TEMPERATURES THAT COULD MAKE YOU SICK. THREE STOP SALES INCLUDE TWO POUNDS OF SAUSAGE LINKS, 2 QUARTS OF

HOLLANDAISE SAUCE, AND 30 POUNDS OF OTHER ITEMS... LIKE TUNA, SEAFOOD MIX, CHICKEN SALAD, AND CRAB MEAT!

**STORY: SCHOOL LUNCH WASTE**

**REPORTER:** Uhler - 11pm

**DATE:** 10-16-14

**LENGTH:** 1:41

**SUMMARY:** THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT SPENDS BILLIONS FOR THE NATIONAL SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM THAT MANY OF YOUR CHILDREN USE EVERYDAY. BUT THIS YEAR NEW, HEALTHIER STANDARDS IN THE LUNCHROOM REVEALS ALOT OF THOSE HEALTHIER OPTIONS ARE SIMPLY ENDING UP IN THE TRASH TO THE TUNE OF 4 MILLION DOLLARS WASTED EVERY SINGLE DAY. IT'S A NEW STANDARD SPEARHEADED BY FIRST LADY MICHELLE OBAMA. STANDARDS SO UNPOPULAR...WE FOUND NEARLY 600 SCHOOL DISTRICTS NATIONWIDE HAVE DROPPED OUT OF THE PROGRAM. STATE RECORDS SHOW 3 BAY AREA CHARTER SCHOOLS ARE PART OF THAT FIGURE.. CITING THE NEW STANDARDS THAT FORCES KIDS TO TAKE HEALTHY FOOD THEY MIGHT NOT WANT.

**STORY: FLOODING PROBLEM**

**REPORTER:** Callaway - 11pm

**DATE:** 10-20-14

**LENGTH:** 2:00

**SUMMARY:** WHEN IT RAINS IT FLOODS. IT'S A PART OF LIFE IN CERTAIN PARTS OF THE BAY AREA, BUT IN ONE NEIGHBORHOOD RESIDENTS SAY THE WATER POSED A DANGER TO BOTH PEOPLE AND THEIR ANIMALS. THEY CALLED ON OUR JACKIE CALLAWAY TO TAKE ACTION IN THEIR FLOOD ZONE. LARRY CLARK CARVED OUT HIS OWN RETENTION POND AFTER HIS PROPERTY FLOODED. HE AND ANOTHER RESIDENT CALLED THE COUNTY FOR HELP AND A PUBLIC WORKS EMPLOYEE CAME OUT IN AUGUST. BUT AFTER NOT HEARING BACK FROM THE COUNTY WE CONTACTED THEM AND THEY SENT OUT A PUMPER TRUCK. THE COUNTY TOLD US ENGINEERS WILL REVIEW THE SITUATION TO SEE WHETHER THE DRAINAGE CONCERN IS A RECURRING PROBLEM THAT MIGHT BE ADDRESSED THROUGH STORMWATER IMPROVEMENTS IN THIS AREA.

**STORY: DIRTY DINING - THAI BAY**

**REPORTER:** Ryan - 11pm

**DATE:** 10-21-14

**LENGTH:** 1:46

**SUMMARY:** SUSHI CAN BE TASTY AND SAFE WHEN ITS FRESH. BUT ONE SUSHI RESTAURANT WAS FORCED TO THROW OUT POUNDS OF FISH BECAUSE OF IMPROPER TEMPERATURES THAT CAN LEAD TO FOOD POISONING. ITS NOT THE FIRST TIME INSPECTORS MADE THAI BAY AND SUSHI BAR RESTAURANT ON EAST BAY DRIVE IN LARGO TOSS FOOD IN THE TRASH. THE OWNER CLAIMS SHE'S BEEN OUT OF THE COUNTRY FOR FOUR MONTHS AND

HAD NO IDEA INSPECTORS ORDERED ALMOST SIX-POUNDS OF FOOD THROWN OUT.

**STORY: DISCOUNT BRANDS**

**REPORTER:** Callaway - 11pm

**DATE:** 10-27-14

**LENGTH:** 2:14

**SUMMARY:** TOP BRAND NAMES FROM DEPARTMENT STORES AT LOWER PRICES, BUT ARE YOU REALLY GETTING WHAT YOU PAY FOR AT THOSE DISCOUNT STORES? DOES ALL THIS APPAREL FROM STORES LIKE TJ MAXX AND MARSHALLS COME FROM A HIGHER END STORE. NOT ALWAYS ACCORDING TO FASHION BLOGGER AND NEW YORK CITY CLOTHING DESIGNER JAY HALLSTEIN, WHO SAYS THAT STORES KNOW SHOPPERS ARE LOOKING FOR A LOWER PRICED ITEM, SO THEY MANUFACTURE IT WITH A LOWER PRICED FABRIC AND A LOWER PRICED CUT AND SEW. WE ASKED TJ MAXX'S CORPORATE OFFICES IF CERTAIN BRAND NAMES MANUFACTURE A LINE JUST FOR THEM. IN AN EMAIL THE COMPANY WOULD ONLY SAY SOME MERCHANDISE WE SELL IS DEVELOPED FOR US, PARTICULARLY WHEN WHAT WE ARE SEEING IN THE MARKETPLACE ISN'T THE RIGHT VALUE.

**STORY: WOMEN SALARIES**

**REPORTER:** Hobson - 11pm

**DATE:** 10-23-14

**LENGTH:** 1:53

**SUMMARY:** A SURVEY POINTS OUT THAT WOMEN ARE STILL NOT ONLY PAID LESS THAN MEN, BUT ONLY 43 PERCENT SURVEYED SAID THEY HAD EVER ASKED FOR A RAISE. OF THE 43 PERCENT OF WOMEN WHO HAVE ACTUALLY ASKED FOR A RAISE, A FULL 75 PERCENT GOT ONE. CAREER EXPERTS SAY ASKING MAY NOT GUARANTEE YOU'LL GET A RAISE...NOT ASKING GUARANTEES YOU WON'T. SO EXPERTS AT HIREGY - A PROFESSIONAL RECRUITING AND STAFFING AGENCY HERE IN TAMPA - RECOMMEND YOU GO IN PREPARED. DO YOUR RESEARCH - BE ABLE TO LIST THE SKILLS THAT SET YOU APART AND KNOW HOW MUCH THE MARKET VALUE FOR YOUR JOB IS... WEBSITES LIKE SALARY-DOT-COM AND Payscale DOT COM...CAN BOTH BE HELPFUL RESOURCES.

**STORY: SCHOOL ARRESTS ON AND OFF CAMPUS**

**REPORTER:** Walser - 11pm

**DATE:** 10-30-14

**LENGTH:** 2:45

**SUMMARY:** THEY'VE BEEN CHARGED WITH FELONY CRIMES LIKE ATTEMPTED MURDER, SEXUAL ASSAULT AND ARMED ROBBERY... YET THOUSANDS OF STUDENTS WITH CRIMINAL RECORDS ATTEND BAY AREA SCHOOLS EACH DAY. WHILE THE GENERAL PUBLIC DOESN'T KNOW WHO THESE OFFENDERS ARE, SCHOOL DISTRICTS DO.

WE LOOK AT THE STARTLING NUMBERS AND HOW INFORMATION ABOUT CRIMES BY STUDENTS ARE HANDLED DIFFERENTLY BY SCHOOL DISTRICTS. OF THE SEVEN SCHOOL DISTRICTS IN THE BAY AREA, THE I-TEAM HAS DISCOVERED ONLY PINELLAS AND MANATEE COUNTY SCHOOLS KEEP A DATABASE WHICH ALLOWS ARREST INFORMATION BOTH ON AND OFF CAMPUS TO BE SHARED DISTRICTWIDE.

**STORY: DRYWALL WORRY**

**REPORTER:** Callaway - 11pm

**DATE:** 10-31-14

**LENGTH:** 2:28

**SUMMARY:** UNSUSPECTING HOME BUYERS ACROSS THE BAY AREA HAD THEIR LIVES TURNED UPSIDE DOWN BY A TOXIC SUBSTANCE HIDDEN IN THEIR WALLS. WE'RE SHOWING YOU WHY SO MANY INFECTED PROPERTIES FELL THRU THE CRACKS AND WHAT IF ANY RELIEF IS AVAILABLE. THE DISCOVERY OF CHINESE DRYWALL BACK IN 2009 IN FLORIDA DID NOT LEAD TO A DATA BASE OR ANY REGULATION WHICH ALLOWED HOMES BUILT WITH IT BETWEEN 2005 AND 2008 TO FALL THRU THE CRACKS...THE CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION REPORTS OVER 4000 COMPLAINTS BUT NEARLY 21 THOUSAND PROPERTIES ARE PART OF A CLASS ACTION LAW SUIT INVOLVING BUILDERS AND SUPPLIERS. NOW IN 2014 UNSUSPECTING BUYERS IN THE BAY AREA CONTINUE TO WIND UP IN HOUSES WHERE THE CORROSIVE MATERIAL HIDES WHILE ITS EATS AWAY AT WIRING, AC SYSTEMS AND APPLIANCES. THE BURDEN OF DETECTION AND REPAIR FALLS ON HOMEOWNERS

**STORY: DIRTY DINING - CAPE COD**

**REPORTER:** Ryan - 11pm

**DATE:** 11-5-14

**LENGTH:** 1:40

**SUMMARY:** AFTER INSPECTORS FIND A SMALL MOUSE AND RODENT DROPPINGS INSIDE A LOCAL RESTAURANT YOU'D HOPE THE EATERY GETS RID OF THE RODENTS RIGHT AWAY. BUT INSPECTORS JUST WENT BACK RECENTLY ONLY TO FIND THE PROBLEM HAD GOTTEN WORSE, WITH TOO MANY RODENT DROPPINGS TO COUNT. LAST MONTH, THE STATE LOCKED THE DOORS AT OLD CAPE COD KITCHEN ON BELCHER ROAD SOUTH IN LARGO FOR 6 HOURS. INSPECTORS DISCOVERED TOO MANY RODENT DROPPINGS TO COUNT ALL OVER THE RESTAURANT, INCLUDING THE WALK IN COOLER, PREP TABLE SHELVES, AND DINING ROOM CARPET. INSPECTORS ALSO DISCOVERED RODENTS CHEWED UP CONTAINERS OF CREAMER.

**STORY: PROPERTY CRACKDOWN**

**REPORTER:** McLaughlin - 11pm

**DATE:** 11-7-14

**LENGTH:** 2:28

**SUMMARY:** PROPERTY TAXES PAY FOR MOST OF WHAT YOUR LOCAL GOVERNMENT PROVIDES TO ALL OF US. POLICE, FIRE, ROADS, SCHOOLS.



THE AMOUNT YOU'RE PAYING IS BASED ON THE SIZE AND VALUE OF YOUR HOUSE OR BUSINESS. BUT THE I-TEAM AND OUR BRENDAN MCLAUGHLIN ARE FINDING MILLIONS OF DOLLARS WORTH OF IMPROVEMENTS, ADDITIONS, EVEN WHOLE HOUSES GOING UNTAXED...UNTIL NOW. WHETHER IT'S AN OVERSIGHT OR A DODGE, NOT EVERYBODY ALERTS THE COUNTY WHEN THEY BUILD OR MAKE AN ADDITION TO THEIR HOUSE. THAT'S NOW WHERE GOOGLE MAPS COME IN. HILLSBOROUGH PROPERTY APPRAISER BOB HENRIQUEZ SAYS NEW SOFTWARE TECHNOLOGY ALLOWS HIS STAFF TO MATCH THEIR RECORDS AGAINST GOOGLE IMAGES. THE PROGRAM HAS HELPED THEM UNCOVER \$4.7 MILLION DOLLARS IN UNREPORTED TAXABLE PROPERTY IN JUST TWO MONTHS.

**STORY: DOCTOR SECRETS**

**REPORTER:** Walser - 11pm

**DATE:** 11-10-14

**LENGTH:** 2:40

**SUMMARY:** IT'S SOMETHING SOME DOCTORS DON'T WANT YOU TO KNOW, AND IN FLORIDA IT'S WIDESPREAD. WE'VE DISCOVERED DOCTORS WHO HAVE BEEN SUED REPEATEDLY FOR MALPRACTICE, BUT HAVE NEVER BEEN PUNISHED BY THE STATE. ZANE AKINS SAYS HIS WIFE KAY'S LIFE CHANGED FOREVER WHEN SHE UNDERWENT KNEE REPLACEMENT SURGERY. CLEARWATER ORTHOPEDIC SURGEON DR. RONALD HAYTER, WHO THE I-TEAM HAS DISCOVERED HAS BEEN SUED AT LEAST 14 TIMES FOR MALPRACTICE, PERFORMED THE PROCEDURE. TAMPA ATTORNEY PATRICK DIEKLE HAS SUED DR. HAYTER TWICE AND HAYTER'S PRACTICE THREE OTHER TIMES FOR MALPRACTICE. HAYTER IS AMONG 19 BAY-AREA PHYSICIANS WHO THE I-TEAM HAS DISCOVERED HAVE BEEN SUED AT LEAST FIVE TIMES EACH FOR MALPRACTICE AND PAID A COMBINED 26-POINT-5 MILLION DOLLARS IN CLAIMS... BUT WHO ALSO HAVE NEVER BEEN DISCIPLINED BY THE STATE.

**STORY: DOCTOR SECRETS LATEST**

**REPORTER:** Walser - 5:30pm

**DATE:** 11-12-14

**LENGTH:** 1:32

**SUMMARY:** THE I-TEAM TOLD YOU ABOUT ISSUES INVOLVING DOCTORS WHO HAVE MADE MULTIPLE MEDICAL MISTAKES, HAVE PAID OUT MILLIONS, YET HAVEN'T BEEN DISCIPLINED BY THE STATE. NOW WE LOOK INTO WHAT THE STATE IS DOING TO STOP IT. LAST YEAR, THE STATE TOOK DISCIPLINE AGAINST DOCTORS IN 243 CASE, 109 OF WHICH RESULTED IN LICENSE REVOCATION, SURRENDER OR SUSPENSION. BUT THE NON-PROFIT GROUP PUBLIC CITIZEN RANKS FLORIDA AS ONE OF THE TEN WORST STATES IN TERMS OF DISCIPLINING DOCTORS, WITH AN AVERAGE OF ONLY 2.8 ACTIONS PER 1-THOUSAND PHYSICIANS.

**STORY: RATS IN KITCHEN****REPORTER:** Ryan - 11pm**DATE:** 11-12-14**LENGTH:** 2:38

**SUMMARY:** WE HAVE A SPECIAL DIRTY DINING INVESTIGATION UNCOVERING CONDITIONS INSIDE ONE LOCAL KITCHEN THAT LOOK NOTHING LIKE THE INSPECTION REPORTS. CAMERAS CATCHING RATS RUNNING WILD! WE'RE TAKING ACTION QUESTIONING IF YOUR STATE INSPECTORS ARE REALLY DOING THEIR JOBS OR PUTTING YOUR SAFETY AT RISK. CELL PHONE VIDEO SHOWS WHAT APPEARS TO BE INSIDE THE CLUB HOUSE RESTAURANT AT THE TAMPA GREYHOUND TRACK ON NEBRASKA AVENUE IN TAMPA. THE STATE INSPECTOR WHO MOST RECENTLY VISITED THE PLACE IS SENIOR INSPECTOR RICHARD OGDEN, A 25-YEAR VETERAN WITH THE DEPARTMENT. HE PERFORMED ALL THE INSPECTIONS OVER THE LAST TWO YEARS WHICH FOUND LITTLE WRONG AT THE RESTAURANT. WE CONTACTED THE STATE TO GET SOME ANSWERS. WE WERE TOLD COINCIDENTALLY, THE DIVISION OF HOTELS AND RESTAURANTS WAS IN THE PROCESS OF PERFORMING AN ASSESSMENT OF THIS EMPLOYEE'S INSPECTION PERFORMANCE WITHIN THE SAME WEEK WE BEGAN INQUIRING ABOUT OGDEN.

**STORY: RAT KITCHEN INSPECTOR FIRED****REPORTER:** Ryan - 11pm**DATE:** 11-13-14**LENGTH:** 2:04

**SUMMARY:** YOU'RE FIRED! THAT'S WHAT THE STATE IS TELLING A RESTAURANT INSPECTOR AT THE CENTER OF A DIRTY DINING INVESTIGATION. LAST NIGHT WE SHOWED YOU HOW THE CLUB HOUSE RESTAURANT INSIDE THE TAMPA GREYHOUND TRACK LOOKED NOTHING LIKE THE INSPECTION REPORTS DONE BY STATE INSPECTOR RICHARD OGDEN. TONIGHT, WE'RE SHOWING YOU WHAT ELSE WE UNCOVERED ABOUT OGDEN...PUTTING HIM ON NOTICE! OVER THE LAST TWO YEARS EACH RESTAURANT INSPECTION PASSED - "MET INSPECTION STANDARDS".. WITH NO SERIOUS VIOLATIONS DOCUMENTED. OGDEN, A 25-YEAR VETERAN WITH THE DEPARTMENT, DID ALL OF THOSE INSPECTIONS WITH A CLEAN HISTORY OF HIS OWN. DOCUMENTS WE OBTAINED SHOW THE AGENCY WENT BACK TO THE CLUB HOUSE SIX DAYS AFTER OGDEN INSPECTED IT, FINDING EXTENSIVE EVIDENCE OF RODENT ACTIVITY AND OTHER HIGH PRIORITY VIOLATIONS OGDEN FAILED TO WRITE UP. THE STATE ALSO QUESTIONED OGDEN'S INSPECTION OF FRIED RICE KING ON NORTH FLORIDA AVENUE IN TAMPA IN OCTOBER. HE LISTED A CERTIFIED FOOD MANAGER ON DUTY WHO'S NO LONGER AN EMPLOYEE AT THE RESTAURANT. THAT'S CONSIDERED A "FALSIFICATION OF RECORDS." OGDEN'S TIME CARD WAS ALSO CALLED INTO QUESTION WITH MULTIPLE UNEXPLAINED TIME GAPS DURING HIS WORKDAYS IN OCTOBER AND NOVEMBER.

**STORY: WATER BOTTLE BACTERIA****REPORTER:** Hurtado - 11pm**DATE:** 11-13-14**LENGTH:** 2:31

**SUMMARY:** YOU AND YOUR KIDS PROBABLY USE THEM - REUSABLE SPORTS BOTTLES. BUT WHAT GROWS IN THOSE PLASTIC BOTTLES IF THEY'RE NOT PROPERLY WASHED AFTER EACH USE? WE RECRUITED TEN YOUNG GIRLS FROM A SOCCER TEAM AND ONE USF RESEARCHER - WHO CAME UP WITH AN EXPERIMENT FOR US. ALL TEN GIRLS USED BRAND NEW REUSABLE SPORTS BOTTLES - AND BOTTLED WATER SO THE WATER SOURCE REMAINED THE SAME. FIVE OF THEM WHO WASH THEIR BOTTLES AFTER PRACTICE EVERY NIGHT AND FIVE WHO DON'T. DR LIMA TAKES THE SAMPLES OF THE WATER FROM EACH GIRLS BOTTLE TO HIS LAB AT USF. HE SPENT TWO WEEKS GROWING THE BACTERIA AND ANALYZING THE DATA. FROM DAY ZERO TO DAY THREE, 5 THOUSAND TIMES MORE BACTERIA GREW IN THE DIDN'T WASH BOTTLES. LESSONS LEARNED? NEVER RE-USE DISPOSABLE PLASTIC BOTTLES. THEY HAVE THREADS AROUND THEM AND BACTERIA CAN GROW IN THEM AS WELL. THINK ABOUT USING STAINLESS STEEL. IF YOU CHOOSE REUSABLE PLASTIC, DO NOT PUT IT IN THE DISHWASHER RATHER WASH IT BY HAND AFTER USE WITH WARM SOAPY WATER.

**STORY: DRUNK BOATING PROBLEM****REPORTER:** Walser - 11pm**DATE:** 11-14-14**LENGTH:** 2:50

**SUMMARY:** IN FLORIDA...LAWS KEEP DRUNK DRIVERS OFF OUR HIGHWAYS, BY TAKING AWAY THEIR LICENSES. BUT WHAT KEEPS THOSE SAME PEOPLE FROM OPERATING BOATS? AS I-TEAM INVESTIGATOR ADAM WALSER IS DISCOVERING, CURRENTLY, THERE'S NOT MUCH...AND SOME ARE DEMANDING THAT NEEDS TO CHANGE. THE I-TEAM HAS UNCOVERED LAST YEAR, NEARLY 50 PERCENT OF PEOPLE INVOLVED IN FATAL BOATING ACCIDENTS HAD A D-U-I HISTORY AND ONE OUT OF 10 FATAL BOAT CRASHES INVOLVED SOMEONE WHO WAS NOT ALLOWED TO DRIVE A CAR AT THE TIME, BECAUSE OF PRIOR D-U-I'S. FAMILY'S OF DRUNK BOATING VICTIMS SAY YOU SHOULDN'T HAVE THE RIGHT TO OPERATE A BOAT IF YOU'VE LOST YOUR DRIVER'S LICENSE...AND THAT GETTING A BUI SHOULD BE HELD AGAINST YOUR DRIVER'S LICENSE. WHILE 62 PEOPLE DIED IN FLORIDA BOAT CRASHES LAST YEAR AND MORE THAN 300 BOATERS WERE CHARGED WITH B-U-I, NONE LOST THEIR BOATING LICENSE BECAUSE THERE'S NO SUCH THING.

**STORY: RECALL PRODUCTS****REPORTER:** Walser - 11pm**DATE:** 11-7-14**LENGTH:** 2:29

**SUMMARY:** THEY'RE PRODUCTS YOUR FAMILY MAY USE EVERY DAY, BUT THEY MIGHT NOT BE SAFE... AND YOU MIGHT NOT KNOW ABOUT IT.

PRODUCT RECALLS IN THE U.S. ARE NUMEROUS, CONFUSING AND OFTEN INEFFECTIVE. THE I-TEAM HAS TEAMED UP WITH ABC NEWS IN REVEALING HOW ITEMS REMAIN IN THE MARKETPLACE LONG AFTER THEY'RE RECALLED.

**STORY: REVENGE REVIEWS**

**REPORTER:** Callaway - 11pm

**DATE:** 11-18-14

**LENGTH:** 2:31

**SUMMARY:** ON LINE REVIEW SITES OFFER CONSUMERS A VOICE TO SPREAD A GOOD WORD OR WARN ABOUT THE COMPANIES THEY DO BUSINESS WITH. BUT FALSE OR "REVENGE POSTS" WIELD THE POWER TO RUIN REPUTATIONS AND DRIVE CUSTOMERS AWAY. OUR TAKING ACTION REPORTER JACKIE CALLAWAY IS SHOWING US AN EXAMPLE RIGHT HERE IN THE BAY AREA SO YOU KNOW WHAT TO LOOK OUT FOR.

**STORY: DIRTY DINING - BAKERY**

**REPORTER:** Ryan - 11pm

**DATE:** 11-19-14

**LENGTH:** 1:50

**SUMMARY:** IT'S THAT TIME OF YEAR AGAIN FOR HOLIDAY CAKES, COOKIES AND PIES! BUT BEFORE YOU PLACE YOUR THANKSGIVING OR CHRISTMAS ORDER AT A LOCAL BAKERY WE'RE UNCOVERING SOME NOT SO SWEET CONDITIONS BEHIND THE KITCHEN DOOR. GOLDEN KRUST CARIBBEAN BAKERY ON NORTH FLORIDA AVENUE IN TAMPA HAD OVER TWO DOZEN LIVE ROACHES FOUND CRAWLING NEAR THE SINK, OVEN, DRY STORAGE, AND FOOD PREP AREA. THE STATE SHUTTING THE PLACE DOWN FOR OVER FIVE HOURS

**STORY: MESSAGE MISCONDUCT**

**REPORTER:** Walser - 11pm

**DATE:** 11-20-14

**LENGTH:** 2:29

**SUMMARY:** A POPULAR PLACE TO RELAX AND HAVE A MASSAGE....BUT THE I-TEAM IS DISCOVERING CLAIMS OF SEXUAL ABUSE OF WOMEN AT THE NATIONAL CHAIN MASSAGE ENVY. THERE ARE 14-HUNDRED MASSAGE ENVY LOCATIONS ACROSS THE COUNTRY WHICH PROVIDE 1.5 MILLION MESSAGES A MONTH. BUT AS I-TEAM INVESTIGATOR WALSER IS UNCOVERING A GROWING NUMBER OF CUSTOMERS, INCLUDING HERE IN THE BAY AREA, SAY THE COMPANY IS NOT DOING ENOUGH TO PROTECT CUSTOMERS FROM SEXUAL ASSAULTS... AND REPORTING THOSE INCIDENTS TO AUTHORITIES.

**STORY: DOG ATTACKS**

**REPORTER:** Raiche - 11pm

**DATE:** 11-20-14

**LENGTH:** 1:58

**SUMMARY:** EVERY YEAR MORE THAN 600 PEOPLE IN FLORIDA END UP IN THE HOSPITAL FROM A DOG BITE. DOG ATTACKS ON OTHER DOGS ARE EVEN MORE COMMON. OUR RYAN RAICHE IS TAKING ACTION FOR YOU SHOWING WHAT YOU CAN DO TO KEEP YOU AND YOUR PET SAFE...WHEN DOGS ATTACK.

**STORY: FLAKY FISHERMAN**

**REPORTER:** Uhler - 11pm

**DATE:** 11-21-14

**LENGTH:** 1:38

**SUMMARY:** LOTS OF PEOPLE LOST LOTS OF MONEY IN THE REAL ESTATE CRASH. BUT TONIGHT THE I-TEAM SHOWS US HOW SOME LOCAL INVESTORS, AFTER LOSING MILLIONS ON A MISMANAGED TOWNHOUSE PROJECT, HAVE BEEN FRUSTRATED BY FLORIDA'S DEBTOR-PROTECTION LAWS...AS THEY TRY TO RECOVER THEIR LIFE SAVINGS.

**STORY: AMAZON ONLINE SHOPPING TEST**

**REPORTER:** Callaway - 11pm

**DATE:** 11-24-14

**LENGTH:** 2:38

**SUMMARY:** HOLIDAY SHOPPERS WILL SPEND THE MAJORITY OF THEIR GIFT GIVING BUDGET BETWEEN THANKSGIVING AND CYBER MONDAY. BUT HOW MUCH OF THAT WILL YOU DO ONLINE? OUR JACKIE CALLAWAY IS TAKING ACTION FOR YOUR WALLET TO FIND OUT WHO'S WINNING THE BATTLE FOR LOWEST PRICES ON THE WEB, AMAZON, TARGET, OR WALMART?

**STORY: DRESS SKINNY**

**REPORTER:** Fazan - 11pm

**DATE:** 11-24-14

**LENGTH:** 2:03

**SUMMARY:** HOW WOULD YOU LIKE TO SHED A FEW POUNDS---OR LOOK LIKE YOU DID ANYWAY---WITHOUT DIETING OR HITTING THE GYM? IT'S POSSIBLE AND THANKS TO THE LATEST FASHION TRENDS IT CAN BOIL DOWN TO JUST A FEW TWEAKS IN YOUR WARDROBE.

**STORY: PACKAGE THEFTS**

**REPORTER:** Uhler - 11pm

**DATE:** 11-25-14

**LENGTH:** 2:08

**SUMMARY:** MANY PEOPLE ARE DOING THEIR HOLIDAY SHOPPING ONLINE -- AND TRACKING THOSE DELIVERIES TO YOUR DOORSTEP. BUT ARE THIEVES TRACKING THEM TOO? AFTER A SERIES OF STOLEN PACKAGES ON PEOPLE'S DOORSTEPS IN ONE PART OF TAMPA RECENTLY, WE'RE TAKING

ACTION WITH WAYS FOR YOU TO BETTER SECURE YOUR HOLIDAY PACKAGES SO YOU DON'T WIND UP THE VICTIM OF A GRINCH.

**STORY: VA WHISTLEBLOWER**

**REPORTER:** Walser - 11pm

**DATE:** 12-5-14

**LENGTH:** 2:35

**SUMMARY:** MORE THAN FIVE MONTHS AFTER A LOCAL WHISTLEBLOWER TESTIFIED BEFORE CONGRESS ABOUT PROBLEMS AT THE V-A, HE'S SPEAKING OUT EXCLUSIVELY TO ABC ACTION NEWS IN HIS FIRST TELEVISION INTERVIEW. AS INVESTIGATOR ADAM WALSER DISCOVERED, JAVIER SOTO SAYS THE V-A- IS FAR FROM FIXED AND HE'S TAKING LEGAL ACTION TO GET HIS JOB BACK.

**STORY: GM PROBLEMS**

**REPORTER:** Callaway - 11pm

**DATE:** 12-12-14

**LENGTH:** 2:25

**SUMMARY:** TONIGHT ONE DRIVER'S CALL FOR ACTION LED TO THE DISCOVERY OF A PROBLEM AFFECTING CAR OWNERS ACROSS THE COUNTRY. THERE'S NO RECALL, BUT IT WASN'T UNTIL OUR TAKING ACTION REPORTER JACKIE CALLAWAY STARTED ASKING QUESTIONS DID GENERAL MOTORS GO PUBLIC WITH AN ISSUE THEY'VE KNOWN ABOUT FOR MONTHS. GM CONFIRMS THEY ARE AWARE OF A FEW DOZEN CASES OF STICKING KEYS. THE AUTO GIANT SAYS IT'LL OFFER FREE REPAIRS ON UP TO 2 MILLION OF THE 2.6 MILLION CARS THAT HAD PROBLEMS WITH THEIR IGNITION SWITCHES.

**STORY: HELPING A WARD**

**REPORTER:** Walser - 530pm

**DATE:** 12-15-14

**LENGTH:** 1:53

**SUMMARY:** THE I-TEAM HAS BEEN EXPOSING ISSUES WITH FLORIDA'S PROFESSIONAL GUARDIANSHIP PROGRAM FOR MORE THAN A YEAR, LEADING TO CHANGES IN THE LAW AND HELPING ONE MAN GET HIS FREEDOM BACK. NOW AS INVESTIGATOR ADAM WALSER REPORTS SOMEONE ELSE IS SPEAKING OUT ABOUT HER OWN EXPERIENCE WITH THE PROGRAM.

**STORY: DIRTY DINING - CLOCK RESTAURANT**

**REPORTER:** Ryan - 11pm

**DATE:** 12-16-14

**LENGTH:** 1:54

**SUMMARY:** STATE INSPECTORS WITNESSED A LIVE RODENT CRAWLING INSIDE THE STORAGE AREA OF ANOTHER RESTAURANT THREE-MONTHS AGO, SHUTTING IT DOWN FOR 22 HOURS. BUT THE CRITTER IS BACK SPREADING TWO DOZEN RODENT DROPPINGS AROUND THE KITCHEN LAST MONTH.

NOW UNCOVERING 80 VIOLATIONS WRITTEN UP IN JUST TWO DAYS AT THE CLOCK FAMILY RESTAURANT ON NORTH GALL BLVD IN ZEPHYRHILLS.

**STORY: OBSCENE OVERTIME**

**REPORTER:** Walser - 11pm

**DATE:** 12-19-14

**LENGTH:** 2:17

**SUMMARY:** CITY EMPLOYEES RAKING UP TONS OF OVERTIME. THAT'S WHAT WAS HAPPENING IN ONE BAY AREA CITY UNTIL A LONGTIME SUPERVISOR RESIGNED. AS I-TEAM INVESTIGATOR ADAM WALSER DISCOVERS THE CITY OF TAMPA IS NOW CONDUCTING AN AUDIT TO SEE WHAT ELSE THEY MAY NOT HAVE KNOWN ABOUT.

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**STORY: BREAST CANCER WALK**

**REPORTER:** Linda Hurtado - 5pm

**DATE:** 10-6-14

**LENGTH:** 1:45

**SUMMARY:** THIS WEEKEND A TARPON SPRINGS WOMAN WILL JOIN THOUSANDS IN ST PETERSBURG AT THE SUSAN G KOMEN RACE FOR A CURE. DESPITE RECENT CONTROVERSY INVOLVING THE ORGANIZATION, JOYCE FRUSTACI SAYS SHE'S STILL SHOWING UP IN SUPPORT OF HER SURIVOR SISTERS. WE'RE TAKING ACTION FOR YOU TONIGHT WITH WHY SHE SAYS YOU SHOULD TOO

**STORY: UNDER ARM TIGHTENING**

**REPORTER:** Linda Hurtado - 11pm

**DATE:** 10-7-14

**LENGTH:** 2:12

**SUMMARY:** WE SHOW VIEWERS A NEW WAY TO TIGHTEN THAT UNDER ARM AREA.

**STORY: CONTAGIOUS VIRUS**

**REPORTER:** Linda Hurtado - 5pm

**DATE:** 10-8-14

**LENGTH:** 1:35

**SUMMARY:** LIKE MANY OF YOU, I'M A MOTHER WITH KIDS IN SCHOOL AND I WANTED TO KNOW WHY IT TOOK SO LONG TO DIAGNOSIS HARLEIGH WITH ENTEROVIRUS 68, HOW MANY OTHER KIDS SHE MAY HAV BEEN IN CONTACT WITH AND WHAT MY KID'S SCHOOL IS DOING TO KEEP KIDS HEALTHY NOW THAT WE KNOW THIS VIRUS IS HERE. IM TAKING ACTION FOR YOUR HEALTH WITH ANSWERS

**STORY: BIOTECH TREASURES**

**REPORTER:** Linda Hurtado - 5pm

**DATE:** 10-13-14

**LENGTH:** 1:45

**SUMMARY:**A COMPANY... FAMOUS FOR FINDING GOLD AND SILVER ON THE OCEAN-FLOOR... IS TEAMING UP WITH A LOCAL BIO-TECH FIRM TO HUNT FOR A DIFFERENT KIND OF TREASURE... THE KIND THAT MAY ONE DAY CURE CANCER. LINDA HURTADO IS TAKING ACTION FOR YOUR HEALTH TONIGHT WITH WHAT THIS NEW ADVENTURE MIGHT MEAN FOR ALL OF US.



**STORY: EFFECTIVE FLU PREVENTION**

**REPORTER:** Linda Hurtado - 5pm

**DATE:** 10-15-14

**LENGTH:** 1:25

**SUMMARY:** WITH ALL THE SICKNESS OUTBREAKS WE'VE SEEN IN THE BAY AREA LATELY... AND WITH FLU SEASON AROUND THE CORNER... IT'S MORE IMPORTANT THAN EVER TO GET VACCINATED AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE. THE STANDARD FLU VACCINE IS NOW FREE. BUT THERE ARE OTHER TYPES TO CONSIDER... AND ONE VACCINE DOESN'T REQUIRE A SHOT AT ALL.

**STORY: MEDICAL MISTAKES**

**REPORTER:** Linda Hurtado - 5pm

**DATE:** 10-20-14

**LENGTH:** 1:35

**SUMMARY:** NEW TONIGHT - A WARNING FOR PARENTS WHEN YOUR KIDS ARE SICK AT HOME. A NEW STUDY SHOWS THOUSANDS OF KIDS ARE ACCIDENTLY GETTING MORE MEDICINE THAN THEY NEED - AND IT'S LANDING SOME IN THE E-R. WE'RE TAKING ACTION FOR YOUR HEALTH WITH WHY ITS HAPPENING AND WHAT YOU CAN DO TO PREVENT THESE MISTAKES.

**STORY: MY HOPE CHEST**

**REPORTER:** Linda Hurtado - 5pm

**DATE:** 10-22-14

**LENGTH:** 1:40

**SUMMARY:** A LOCAL CANCER SURVIVOR IS ON A UNIQUE MISSION - TO HELP FUND RECONSTRUCTION FOR BREAST CANCER SURVIVORS. WERE TAKING ACTION FOR YOUR HEALTH WITH INFORMATION ON MY HOPE CHEST AND HOW YOU CAN HELP MAKE A CANCER SURVIVOR'S DREAM OF LOOKING COMPLETE AGAIN COME TRUE

**STORY: FACES OF COURAGE**

**REPORTER:** Linda Hurtado - 5pm

**DATE:** 10-24-14

**LENGTH:** 1:45

**SUMMARY:** A LOCAL NON PROFIT AGENCY CALLED FACES OF COURAGE NEEDS YOUR HELP THIS AFTERNOON. THEY NEED VOTES TO WIN A 30 THOUSAND DOLLAR GRAND PRIZE THAT COULD SEND HUNDREDS OF KIDS WITH CANCER TO CAMP. WERE TAKING ACTION FOR YOU TONIGHT WITH THEIR MISSION AND HOW YOU CAN HELP MAKE IT HAPPEN

**STORY: THE KIND MOUSE**

**REPORTER:** Linda Hurtado - 5pm

**DATE:** 10-27-14

**LENGTH:** 1:27

**SUMMARY:** HELP FOR THE HUNGRY IS AVAILABLE IN PINELLAS COUNTY. A LOCAL FAMILY - WHO JUST MOVED HERE FROM OREGON IS TALKING ABOUT

HOW THIS LOCAL NON-PROFIT SAVED THEM DURING A TIME OF CRISIS. TONIGHT WERE TAKING ACTION FOR YOUR HEALTH AND YOUR FAMILY WITH INFORMATION ON HOW THE KIND MOUSE CAN HELP YOU OR, if you're able, YOU CAN HELP THEM.

**STORY: CHILDREN'S HEART PROCEDURE**

**REPORTER:** Linda Hurtado - 5pm

**DATE:** 10-27-14

**LENGTH:** 1:37

**SUMMARY:** A 13 YEAR OLD BOY - FACING YET ANOTHER OPEN HEART SURGERY - GOT UNEXPECTED BUT WELCOME NEWS. DOCTORS AT ST JOSEPH'S CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL ARE NOW USING AN INNOVATIVE MEDICAL DEVICE THAT MEANS LESS DOWN TIME AND LESS PAIN FOR KIDS. WERE TAKING ACTION FOR YOUR HEALTH TONIGHT WITH THIS MEDICAL ADVANCEMENT THAT COULD HELP SOMEONE YOU LOVE

**STORY: CANDY AND SUGAR**

**REPORTER:** Linda Hurtado - 5pm

**DATE:** 11-03-14

**LENGTH:** 1:45

**SUMMARY:** IF YOUR HOUSE IS LIKE MINE, THERE'S A LOT OF CANDY IN THE PANTRY AFTER A SUCCESSFUL HALLOWEEN RUN. BUT SUGAR IS A CONTRIBUTOR TO THE COUNTRY'S OBESITY EPIDEMIC ALONG WITH A FACTOR IN MANY DEADLY DISEASES LIKE CANCER. WERE TAKING ACTION FOR YOUR HEALTH TONIGHT WITH THE REAL FACTS ON WHAT SUGAR DOES TO OUR BODIES

**STORY: HOW TO GET RID OF ACNE SCARS**

**REPORTER:** Linda Hurtado - 5pm

**DATE:** 11-06-14

**LENGTH:** 1:23

**SUMMARY:** MANY OF US HAVE SUFFERED WITH ACNE AT ONE POINT IN OUR LIVES. BUT WHEN THE ACNE LEAVES SCARS - IT HAS LONG LASTING AFFECTS. NOW A LOCAL WOMAN IS TRYING A NEW PROCEDURE TO SMOOTH OVER THOSE SCARS. WERE TAKING ACTION FOR YOUR HEALTH TONIGHT WITH HOW THIS TREATMENT MAY HELP YOU OR SOMEONE YOU LOVE

**STORY: BAYCARE TELEMEDICINE**

**REPORTER:** Linda Hurtado - 5pm

**DATE:** 11-11-14

**LENGTH:** 1:30

**SUMMARY:** A NEW SET OF EXPERT EYES ON THE CRITICALLY ILL. BAY CARE IS OPENING A CENTRALIZED COMMUNICATION CENTER THAT MEANS THEY CAN PROVIDE BETTER CARE EVEN IF THEY'RE NOT ACTUALLY THERE. WERE TAKING ACTION FOR YOUR HEALTH TODAY WITH HOW THIS NEW SYSTEM CAN BENEFIT YOU.

**STORY: HEALTH MARKETPLACE ENROLLMENT OPENS**

**REPORTER:** Linda Hurtado - 5pm

**DATE:** 11-12-14

**LENGTH:** 1:38

**SUMMARY:** OPEN ENROLLMENT IN THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT MARKETPLACE BEGINS THIS SATURDAY. GRAB A PEN AND PAPER OR YOUR IPAD BECAUSE I'M GOING TO TELL YOU WHERE YOU CAN GET YOUR SPECIFIC QUESTIONS ABOUT ENROLLMENT ANSWERED, BUT FIRST - OUT THE 7 MILLION COVERED BY INSURANCE THROUGH THE MARKETPLACE IN 2014 - 1 MILLION ARE HERE IN FLORIDA -AND THE MAJORITY OF THOSE RECEIVED FINANCIAL HELP. WERE TAKING ACTION FOR YOUR HEALTH TODAY WITH WHAT'S DIFFERENT THIS YEAR - AND ANSWERS TO SOME VIEWER QUESTIONS

**STORY: WHAT'S NEW WITH THE AFFORDABLE HEALTH CARE ACT**

**REPORTER:** Linda Hurtado - 5pm

**DATE:** 11-17-14

**LENGTH:** 1:33

**SUMMARY:** DAY THREE OF OPEN ENROLLMENT FOR AFFORDABLE CARE HEALTH INSURANCE TODAY USF NAVIGATORS OFFERED FREE ASSISTANCE TO ANYONE NEEDING HELP SHOPPING THE MARKETPLACE. I WENT TO THE USF EVENT THIS AFTERNOON TO GET ANSWERS ON HOW ENROLLMENT IS GOING SO FAR AND WHAT ELSE WE CAN EXPECT

**STORY: ANTIBIOTICS**

**REPORTER:** Linda Hurtado - 5pm

**DATE:** 11-19-14

**LENGTH:** 1:37

**SUMMARY:** THE CDC AND HOSPITALS LIKE ALL CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL ARE PUTTING OUT A WARNING TONIGHT: DON'T OVER USE ANTIBIOTICS. WERE TAKING ACTION FOR YOUR HEALTH WITH A VERY GOOD LOCAL EXAMPLE OF WHY THIS IS SO IMPORTANT.

**STORY: EQUINE CANCER**

**REPORTER:** Linda Hurtado - 5pm

**DATE:** 11-21-14

**LENGTH:** 1:38

**SUMMARY:** A LOCAL TAMPA COMPANY IS ON THE CUTTING EDGE OF CANCER TREATMENT, ANNOUNCING A USDA SANCTIONED TRIAL FOR A PROMISING EQUINE CANCER VACCINE IS NOW UNDERWAY. AND THEY SAY HUMAN TRIALS ARE NOT FAR BEHIND. WERE TAKING ACTION FOR YOUR HEALTH TONIGHT WITH PROOF OF WHAT THIS VACCINE IS DOING AND HOW IT ONE DAY MAY HELP YOU OR SOMEONE YOU LOVE.

**STORY: HEALTHY PATIENTS****REPORTER:** Linda Hurtado - 5pm**DATE:** 11-24-14**LENGTH:** 1:44

**SUMMARY:** CANCER PATIENTS OFTEN FACE LONG TERM, BRUTAL TREATMENTS IN CANCER CENTERS FAR FROM THEIR HOME. NOW A NATIONAL NON PROFIT ORGANIZATION IS MAKING THEIR ROAD TO RECOVERY A LITTLE LESS STRESSFUL. WE'RE TAKING ACTION FOR YOUR HEALTH TONIGHT WITH INFORMATION ON A FREE RIDE SERVICE TO TAKE PATIENTS TO AND FROM THEIR LIFE SAVING THERAPY

**STORY: HOLIDAY CALORIES****REPORTER:** Linda Hurtado - 5pm**DATE:** 11-25-14**LENGTH:** 1:32

**SUMMARY:** MANY OF YOU MAY ALREADY BE STARTING PREPARATIONS FOR YOUR THANKSGIVING DAY MEAL WE ALL KNOW THAT SOME OF OUR FAVORITE DISHES ARE FATTENING AND NOT NECESSAIRLY VERY HEALTHY. TONIGHT WERE TAKING ACTION FOR YOUR HEALTH WITH A LOOK AT WHAT YOU'RE EATING FOR THANKSGIVING AND SOME HEALTHIER BUT STILL TASTY ALTERNATIVES.

**STORY: NEW ECZEMA TREATMENT****REPORTER:** Linda Hurtado - 5pm**DATE:** 12-1-14**LENGTH:** 1:32

**SUMMARY:** A NEW DRUG THAT DOCTORS HOPE WILL RELIEVE THE DEBILITATING ITCHING OF CHRONIC ECZEMA HAS SHOWN PROMISING RESULTS IN EARLY TRIALS. WERE TAKING ACTION FOR YOUR HEALTH TONIGHT WITH INFORMATION ON A LOCAL TRIAL AND HOW IT'S WORKING FOR ONE VERY HAPPY MAN

**STORY: HOLIDAY DEPRESSION****REPORTER:** Linda Hurtado - 5pm**DATE:** 12-08-14**LENGTH:** 1:30

**SUMMARY:** THE HOLIDAYS, WHICH KICKS OFF WITH THANKSGIVING AND CONTINUES THROUGH NEW YEARS EVECAN BE AN ESPECIALLY DIFFICULT TIME OF THE YEAR FOR SOME PEOPLE. IN FACT, THIS TIME OF YEAR MAY TRIGGER A BOUT OF THE BLUES OR PERHAPS IGNITE A DEPRESSION THAT HAS BEEN SMOLDERING UNDER THE SURFACE.WERE TAKING ACTION FOR YOUR HEALTH TONIGHT WITH TIPS TO AVOID SEASONAL DEPRESSION.

**STORY: RACE FOR A CURE**

**REPORTER:** Linda Hurtado - 5pm

**DATE:** 12-17-14

**LENGTH:** 1:30

**SUMMARY:** THE ANNUAL POLK COUNTY RACE FOR A CURE IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER - JANUARY 24TH. 75 PERCENT OF THE MONEY RAISED WILL STAY IN POLK TO HELP UNINSURED WOMEN GET MAMMOGRAMS -BUT RACE PARTICIPATION IS DROPPING AND SO ARE THE FUNDS AVAILABLE.WERE TAKING ACTION FOR YOUR HEALTH TONIGHT WITH HOW YOU CAN GET INVOLVED