

District	County	Service Delivery Region	Issue: Economic Development, Education, Health or Safety	Situation - Challenge	Activities - What we will do	Outputs - What we will produce
SE	Appling	9	Safety	Appling County lacks sufficient programs to keep teens out of troublesome situations. Lack of community participation and financial support	Survey local youth - middle, high schoolers -- for guidance on issues. Present project to county officials and organizations. Gather a group of diverse volunteers.	List of major issues. Gain support and involvement from these individuals. Compile resource list for involvement.
SE	Atkinson	11	Safety	We do not have any place for teens to hang out and stay out of trouble. If we had a place for kids to hang out, we believe the underage alcohol consumption would drop, teen pregnancy would decrease and violence.	Present our ideas to city and county boards, board of education, and other community partners; gather ideas from other organizations and individuals.	Power point presentation. A resource list. Potential contacts to help get started.
SE	Bacon	11	Health	Bacon County has a teen pregnancy issue. From 2001-2006, 120 babies were born to 10-19 year-olds.	Educate teens on why it's wrong. Put up displays at school. Get a motivational speaker. Hand out "reminder" bracelets. Have support groups for pregnant women.	A snapshot of what's happening now. Generate questions as to why it's wrong. Encourage teen women to see a future for themselves.
SW	Baker	1	Health	Educate the community on the dangers of drug abuse. We want to get the schools, county leaders and churches involved.	Meet with the county leaders. Talk with Family Connections to check on monies for drug abuse. Get schools involved.	Getting speakers to go around to the churches, clubs and schools to speak on drug abuse.
NE	Baldwin	6	Education	Lack of registered voters and lack of registered voters who actually vote.	Rally to explain purpose of voting and importance.	A neutral environment to explain politics.
NE	Banks	2	Education	Banks County has low literacy rates. The county has the resources to improve, but the kids do not have the drive or self-esteem.	Help tutor at the school during afterschool. Between the Clovers Project Club. Read-a-thon.	Higher literacy rates. Children with higher self-esteem. Higher CRCT reading scores. Well rounded community. Broader base of literature.
NE	Barrow	5	Safety	In our community we have a growing issue in which middle school and high school-aged students have a lack of after school and night time activities.	Find need for the park in the community (survey). Gain information from previous successful parks. Present our case to the board. Identify potential partnerships.	Multi-sport complex will keep kids in shape and out of trouble. Park will have basketball, tennis, volleyball courts and skate park. Potentially revitalize delapidated area.

NW	Bartow	1	Education	Bartow County does not have a beginning reading program for low or non-readers.	Find volunteers to teach. Find the people who need the services. Match up students and teachers. Find materials to use. Train the teachers/volunteers.	A beginning reading program conducted by volunteers.
SW	Ben Hill	11	Health	In Georgia, 36% of kids are overweight (2005). We want to change lifestyles by reaching parents and children.	Survey the youth. Identify potential partnerships. Apply for grants. Plan a community-wide event.	Community involvement in the health of our youth. Lower the obesity rate.
SW	Berrien	11	Safety	We've been encountering a problem with graffiti in Berrien County. We feel that if there was more awareness about this problem, more people will come forward and stop vandalizing public and private property. We believe many of this vandalism is done by teens. If there was more extracurricular activities for teens to be involved in there would be less crime in our community and all over the world.	Apply for grants. Talk to sheriff's department. Get more youth involved in what we are doing.	We'll have a safer community. Cleaner community. People will feel secure about their property.
NW	Bibb	6	Safety	High crime rates. Getting teens involved in the community in a safe and fun environment.	Going out in large group activities like bowling, skating rink.	Leaders of the future. Business revenue. Mentors for pre-teens of Bibb County
SE	Bleckley	9	Safety	Vehicular safety. Deaths by accidents involving improper seatbelt use (68% at night; 57% during day). Teens driving drunk, not restrained - deaths (74%).	Strategically place innovative signs. Seatbelt evaluations. Tee shirts. TV, radio, newspaper ads and broadcasts. Car seat use promotion. Schedule roll over simulation and car seat use training day.	Increase in seat belt use. Increase in the awareness of car seat safety. Decrease in non-driving activities while driving.
SE	Brantley	11	Economic	Many citizens of Brantley County resist change. It is hard to encourage industrialization because we are located between two major cities and more than 3/4 of our citizens are employed in other counties. This leaves no pride to improve the community. Our small "bedroom community" has very few places to shop. Our money, jobs, and transportation goes to other counties.	Provide education to the public through the development authority by examples, presentations, flyers, school clubs and civic clubs.	A more willing community that is more willing to work with us and accept change.
SE	Bulloch	12	Health	In our community we have an excessive number of teen pregnancies. Our goal is to empower young teens to instill self-respect within themselves.	We will go to churches and get people to support us. We will also present ourselves in front of the BOE, Health Department and Board of Commissioners.	Teen pregnancy prevention sessions.

SE	Burke	7	Education	We have a 35% drop out rate. We need the students to learn the information needed to complete high school, to meet AYP, and to raise GHSGT scores.	We will meet with the principals and superintendent to discuss this idea. We will also recruit tutors and those students willing to receive tutoring.	We will provide a tutoring program that will increase test scores and better educated students.
NE	Butts	4	Health	We have a high rate of teenage pregnancy in the high school.	Schedule "B.C." classes at the middle and high school. Respect. Leadership.	Better educated teens and leaders.
SW	Calhoun	10	Health	Georgia exceeds the national obesity rate of 31%. As of 2003, children and teens not exercising at all was 49%. Calhoun County has a number of programs dealing with healthy living, but with limited youth involvement.	There will be displays and exhibits promoting healthy living placed at a local health fair, Relay for Life, and other school and community functions. The Youth Summit Team will assist with the 5th grade healthy living club meetings. Hand out flyers. Assist local blood drive.	The Youth Summit Team will become involved in various local health events. The Youth Summit Team will submit newspaper articles and pictures of various community events promoting healthy living. The Youth Summit Team will serve as positive role models for other youth.
SE	Camden	12	Health	High teen pregnancy rate.	Classes for kids and parents on safe sex. Impose new curriculum. Distribute literature and contraceptives.	Lower teen pregnancy rate. Better prepared teens. Educated parents.
SE	Candler	9	Education	Candler County would like to increase high school graduation rates by offering incentives to raise GHSGT scores.	Offer incentives for going to tutoring sessions. Offer incentives for passing GHSGT the first time. Present at Parent Night - offer incentive like a meal.	Higher test scores.
NW	Carroll	4	Education	Drop out rate. Lack of school board involvement. Attitude.	Visit elementary schools and encourage kids to improve on their education level. Work force prep programs.	Better workforce. Higher test scores. More productive citizens.
NW	Catoosa	1	Education	Catoosa County is slowly decreasing the amount of students graduating from high school. Factors include: loss of interest, loss of parental support, and the loss of consideration for future success. It is our challenge to increase the awareness of students' needs to stay in school by making it more interesting for all economic levels.	Try to become participants in the school board monthly meetings. Engaging parents and students to participate in school events and PTO/PTA meetings. Involve teachers in new clubs offered to motivate students.	Groups assessing the problem in our county and attempting a solution. All involved have the potential of expressing greatness from their own individuality. We plan to talk to principals, school board members, and club sponsors.
SE	Charlton	11	Education	Meeting AYP and increasing high school graduation rate.	Improve peer tutoring. Provide attendance incentives.	Higher standardized test scores. Better attendance. We will meet AYP.

SE	Chatham	12	Education	17,600 residents of Chatham County speak another language than English. We have a growing ethnic population. Only one high school offers the ESOL program - this is a program that teaches English to children as a second language.	Meet with ESOL teachers to put a "worth" on the ESOL program. Meet with school board officials to explain our project. Meet with community leaders to gain support.	More ESOL programs in more schools. Available to more students and their parents.
NW	Chattooga	1	Health	Chattooga County has a rather high teen pregnancy rate and a high if not higher rate of drug abuse. Chattooga County has great concern, but has not been productive in decreasing these rates. Since teens are being faced with so many of these challenges today, there is need for more educational programs.	Promote abstinence by enforcing more sex education courses/classes. Introduce new youth involvement activities. Educate students on the effects of STDs. Implement sex ed classes at an earlier age.	Resource list. Updated data to educate the community. Flyers, articles in newspaper.
NW	Cherokee	3	Health	Child obesity (5th & 6th graders). Our goal is to reduce childhood obesity and poor lifestyle choices in ages 5th through 6th grade.	Nature walks. Adopt-a-stream. Canoeing; Etowah River tours. Each activity will have an environmental awareness theme to expose kids to new volunteer opportunities and recreation outdoors.	Environmental education. Exploring extracurricular activities. Increasing physical activity.
NE	Clarke	5	Safety	Gang violence.	"Community Party" with motivational guests who have overcome these situations with the parental involvement of participants who will be elementary school age.	Resources for fun educational activities. Promotional ideas.
SW	Clay/Randolph	8	Safety	The issue of not having organized youth activities in our county leads to the fact that the students have too much spare time. This is because they are not involved in extracurricular activities.	Organize fundraisers to acquire funds. Participate in city council meetings and school board meetings	Fun activities to keep youth active. Safe haven for students to spend time. Happier teens and a safer community.
NW	Clayton	3	Education	We have to regain school accreditation. We have to talk to the right people. Some people might not take action even though they are informed. Getting youth involved.	Send out newsletters. Send information to schools. Hold meetings. Hold public forums/surveys. Put information in libraries and stores.	Have brochures, pamphlets, and flyers. Have frequent updates towards county's progress.
SW	Clinch	11	Economic	The drainage systems in our community are being polluted. Because of this, we spend thousands of dollars a year on specific water treatment plans.	Educate the community by placing ten markers on ten main drainage sites. Use specific clubs such as the FFA and 4-H to help.	A cleaner, less wasteful community that recognizes the potential harm of polluted water.

NW	Cobb	3	Safety	The increase of violence has become more noticeable to the citizens of Cobb County. Our goal is to educate the people so that they know how to be safe in their environment.	Create an educational environment to learn safety, contact agencies to help with topics.	Interactive course, skit, quiz station, prizes, flyers to hand out.
SE	Coffee	11	Health	Coffee County has a high incidence of teenage pregnancy.	We will start a program at the middle school level (take care of chicken eggs). High schoolers will take care of electronic babies. Start a day care at high school.	Awareness of problem. Teen awareness of responsibilities of parenthood.
SW	Colquitt	10	Economic	Our youth summit team aims to improve the economic standing of Colquitt County. The poor advertising of locally owned businesses tends to cause a large percentage of our teens to shop and find entertainment outside of Colquitt County. If we could specifically direct teen residents to spend in select areas such as Downtown Moultrie and various local shopping centers, we could create an inviting environment that will encourage the citizens of Colquitt County to <u>spend</u> in Colquitt County.	Meet and plan with Downtown Association. Survey local teens on what would bring their business locally. Talk to local merchants (identify partnerships). Hold events that target Colquitt County's teens to bring them to the local business area.	A revitalized county economy. Recognition of local businesses. Interactive activities that connect the adolescent population in a personal way to their own town.
NE	Columbia	7	Economic	Youth Hunger! There are kids who depend on school meals for their main nutritional values; figuring out the schools/at-risk students with help from faculty; the funding and donations.	Neighborhood food drives. School food drives. Grocery store food and money drives.	Neighborhood flyers for awareness and donations. Local media and all PDA's that run community awareness programs. E-mail/text messages. Golden Harvest Backing.
SW	Cook	11	Health	The issue of teen pregnancy is a problem in Cook County. We would like to reduce this number by raising awareness of the responsibilities of a parent and the risks involved in having sex.	Raise money to buy electronic babies. Let teens know the facts about pregnancy.	We are hoping to reduce the number of teen pregnancies.
NW	Coweta	4	Safety	Coweta County could benefit from a safe place for ATV's and off road vehicles. We would like to provide safety classes for new and inexperienced riders. We would also like a course and trails for them to ride on.	Provide youth/adult partnerships. Training using ATV's. Build a course and trails. Teach safety!	Trained riders of off road vehicles. Safe courses and trails. Emphasize importance of equipment.

NW	Crawford	6	Economic	We need respected leaders.	Campaign for active voters.	Leader with the betterment of community as their goal and more active and better informed voters.
SW	Crisp	8	Economic	Comfort for foster kids. Parent education.	Community service project dealing with "PJs for Ponies" for 4-H club.	More community care for foster kids.
NW	Dade	1	Health	Dade County has a growing alcohol/drug abuse problem in the high school. Our challenge is to find ways to increase awareness of long term issues surrounding substance abuse. <i>Champs</i> begins awareness in the 5th grade, but more needs to be done at the middle school and high school level.	Identify key issues of drug/alcohol abuse in our county. Identify potential partnerships -- Sheriff's Department; former and current users.	Informational flyers. PSA's (Public Service Announcements). Demonstrations. Presentations. Displays.
NE	Dawson	2	Health	Drug Abuse Awareness	"HIGH SCHOOL" posters in high school with graphic pictures, depicting health issues resulting from drug abuse. Create banner in <u>text</u> speak. Flush Flash in <u>text</u> speak. Short film on awareness and/or consequences of drug abuse.	Getting students' attention about an issue. Create awareness of health problems relating to and/or resulting from drug abuse and the consequences of drug abuse.
	Decatur	10	Education	To identify and address the increase of high school drop-out rate.	Build better image. Assembly - guest speaker. Booth during lunch. PTA system. Put together packets. Hold community summits. Educate public about consequences. Post stuff in newspaper. Bainbridge,GA.com Scoreboard. High school drop-out awareness month.	Decreased drop-out rate. Increased awareness. Decreased time rates. Higher educated population. Decreased drug abuse and violence. Increased quality of life.
NW	DeKalb	3	Safety	We are very concerned about youth in our community at schools, malls, recreation centers, parties, and neighborhoods.	Commercials. Youth round-up. Peer mediation. Shows/performances for younger children.	Get parents involved. Lead police to people.
SE	Dodge	9	Safety	Too many youth on the streets skateboarding with no place to hang out.	Try to work with local officials and see if we can help get a skate park built.	A safe place for youth to go and skate or just hang out.

SW	Dooly	8	Health	To decrease the teen pregnancy rate in Dooly County from the current rate of 54.2 per 1,000 females ages 10-19.	Sex education workshops. Learning sessions with motivational speakers. Learning activities that incorporate the 40 Developmental assets. Parent and teen interactive sessions that will give parents opportunities, resources, and support to initiate "sex talk" with their teen.	Increased knowledge and understanding of choices and consequences that relate to sex among teens ages 10-19.
SW	Dougherty	10	Safety	In Dougherty County, there were a lot of gang and drug prevention programs in the schools and for the youth to get involved in activities outside of schools. Then they all stopped. There was nothing for the students to look forward to. Children need something that can give them advice and the teaching they need.	Learn why the youth get involved with gangs. Get the problem published. Get more people involved in our community.	To get schools and community involved. Get law enforcement more involved. To bring gang prevention programs back in the schools. Try to get people to come in to talk to youth.
NW	Douglas	3	Economic	Douglas County does not have a variety of jobs for teens looking to enter the part-time work force.	Partner with preferred employers to develop certification criteria. Partner with schools to refine school curriculum, develop certificate standards.	Certification program available to teens, recognized by employers to create more entry level employment.
SW	Early	10	Health	Teen students are getting pregnant their 9th and 10th grade year.	Present situation to Miss Jeanette, principal, or school board of education. Teen mother testimonies. Report statistics to various civic groups. Have support groups.	Hope to prevent teen pregnancy. Responsible teen pregnancy presentation with statistics.
SW	Echols	11	Economic	Reducing littering. Creating a green environment for our county's students and citizens.	Place recycle bins in and outside of lunchrooms. Collect the recycling and take it to the Lowndes County recycling center. Eventually incorporate this county wide with a recycling bin at each house.	Cleaner community. More energy. Greater appreciation. Green world.
	Effingham	12	Safety	Unsafe teenage driving.	Contact speakers. Have more cop involvement after school. Form a SADD and MADD group. Seat belt safety presentation. Create visuals about the danger of texting, drinking and racing while driving. Have students talk to students.	Speakers. Awareness groups. An increased knowledge of the consequences of unsafe driving among the teens in our community.

NE	Elbert	5	Economic	Racial divide causes problems in our community and school systems.	Brochures, surveys, culture clubs, support clubs, interaction, seminars, outside school activities, COME TOGETHER!	A better community and a more stable and equal school system.
	Emanuel	9	Health	We want to educate our community on a better lifestyle and promote the importance of eating healthy and staying active.	Host a day camp. Hand recipes of healthy snacks to parents. Hold workshops. Publish health information. Hand out flyers.	Educate our youth. Make physical activity fun.
	Evans	9	Economic	To increase the economy and decrease the poverty of our community by teaching financial literacy to teens at an early age.	Create a junior board that's purpose will be to teach young people in the community about spending and investing money wisely.	A higher quality of life and stronger economy for the local community.
NW	Fayette	3	Health	Youth obesity.	We are doing <u>research</u> in our high school asking 9th graders to estimate calories in a school lunch.	We will <u>document</u> that students have poor skills in estimating calories in a lunch.
NW	Floyd	1	Education	Floyd County wants to create an afterschool reading program to help increase reading levels of elementary students.	Flash cards, reading aloud exercises, storybooks, trivia game reading exercises, design a book, learning and writing addresses.	Reading will produce a smarter community of young people and will improve grades and give students better opportunities for jobs in the future.
NW	Forsyth	2	Economic	Our situation is a polluted lake with low levels of water. On the shores of the lake there are many different cans and bottles that wash up. It ruins the natural beauty of our county.	We will ask for recycling bin donations from places like <i>Home Depot</i> , <i>Lowe's</i> , etc. Our plan is to place the trash cans at recreation and lake parks. By asking our supporters, the trash cans can be picked up and taken to recycling places.	A cleaner lake which will also attract more people to the lake.
NW	Fulton-South	3	Education	Education -- lack of funding for program resources in schools.	Exhibit talents. Make contacts. Encourage potential collaborators. Petition students. Communicate with community decision makers. Parent participation.	Networking. Exposure. Volunteers. Sponsorships. Grants. Strong support base -- parents, community, decision makers.
NE	Gilmer	1	Safety	Gilmer County does not have a safe place for middle and high school teens to meet and interact after school and on weekends. We would like to create a Youth-Adult Partnership to facilitate the creation of a Youth Center.	Create a survey gauging teen interests. Create flyers asking the community leaders for support. Identify potential partners.	A snapshot of teen interests and potential partners. A resource list of community partners.

NE	Glascocock	7	Safety	We are trying to help with our student's reckless driving. We want to see more resources available to young drivers. We are also wanting to increase the awareness of the dangers of reckless driving and "road rage."	Public service announcement. We have newspaper articles. School announcements. Meeting with local officials.	Safe drivers.
SE	Glynn	12	Economic	Hurricane Fay left the Brunswick marshes covered in debris.	Raise awareness in places like schools. Develop recycle programs for schools, parks, and Glynn County in general. Propose better litter laws and enforcement.	Trash out. Information packets and recycling plans and products. Propose courts prosecute individual environmental issues.
SE	Glynn	12	Economic	Litter on beaches, in parks and schools. Litter also washed up from boats that dispose of litter in ocean.	Install recycling bins in schools. Organize beach clean ups. Educate about effects from litter.	Cleaner beaches. Cleaner parks. Cleaner school grounds. Pride in our county.
NW	Gordon	1	Economic	Water conservation and quality. Gordon County has 50 miles of rivers and creeks that are listed on the Georgia EPD's TMDL list for sediment and fecal ?	River's Alive. 4-H club meetings. Meet with local industry leaders. Day camps. Newsletters. Fair displays. Educational field trips. Adopt-a-Stream.	A more environmentally educated population. A meaningful conservation plan. Improved water quality. Make waterways a healthy and safe place.
SW	Grady	10	Safety	Individual emergency preparedness and safety plan.	Contact <i>Red Cross</i> to schedule classes. Help with literature. Work with local volunteer fire departments and county emergency personnel.	A well educated and prepared community.
NW	Greene	5	Economic	The options for recycling in the community are extremely limited and even when available, people don't use them.	Recycling programs in the schools. Educational spots in newspaper and radio. Work with local government to create recycling programs that go hand in hand with trash collection.	Educated community members. Less recyclable waste going into the land fill and onto the road sides.
NW	Gwinnett	3	Economic	Clean up pollution in storm drains/streams/rivers/ lakes in our community. Educate community about pollution in storm drains. Create and implement continued activities to educate the community about pollution in storm drains and clean up pollution leading to storm drains.	Storm drain stenciling project. Tour water treatment facility. Tour environmental and heritage center. Tour Georgia Aquarium. Shore sweep clean up. Make video for local cable channel.	Better quality water for our streams. Cleaner environment and habitat for wildlife.
NE	Hall	2	Health	High rates of obesity in children that can lead to heart disease.	Start a middle school club that promotes healthy eating and physical activity.	Healthy children who will know how to remain healthy for their whole life.

NE	Hancock	2	Economic	Poverty leads to crimes, theft and high anger (such as not being able to feed your kids). No jobs - poor quality of life. 24% infant mortality rate from no prenatal care. Lack of funding for schools and education. Teen pregnancy purposely to get on welfare.	Bring in industry and jobs. Unify our community. Encourage industry by offering tax incentives to businesses. Offer training for jobs.	Jobs. Raise the quality of life. Raise the property value.
NW	Haralson	1	Education	Drop out rates in our county are 15% higher than state average.	Start student tutoring program. Encourage involvement with extra activities.	To lower drop out rate. To increase test scores.
NW	Harris	8	Health	To reduce infection in the community.	Flyers, PSAs, classes, hands-on teaching (Glow Germs), surveys (pre and post).	Healthier people. Lower absentee rates due to spreading infection. Knowledge.
NE	Hart	2	Economic	There is no recycling going on in our schools.	With the help of key people in our community, we will set up a recycling program.	Our project will help out schools and the environment.
NW	Heard	4	Education	By creating a positive self-image, we want to make a difference in the following areas: teen pregnancy, drug and alcohol abuse, and drop out rate. We hope to do this by starting a mentoring program.	Create mentoring program. Get youth names from local schools. Get mentor names from civic organizations and churches. Designate a coordinator to oversee matches.	Higher self-image. Make them feel better about themselves. Improved attitudes.
NW	Henry	3	Education	Get high school students involved with special needs students and raise awareness about the disabilities.	Have social events through 4-H. Awareness nights about different disabilities. Peer tutors in Henry County.	Higher self-esteem. Awareness. Positive affect on volunteers.
SW	Houston	6	Economic	Recycling county-wide (more opportunity).	Create awareness campaign.	A cultural change and ultimately legislation.
NE	Jackson	5	Health	One in three middle school students in 2003 were at risk for obesity. One in four high school students were at risk for obesity.	6-8 weeks of workshops (90 min.) for 5th graders. Smart Snacking. What's the right weight for my height? Why is exercise wise? How much should I eat? Staying at a healthy weight? Deal with Diets. How to prevent injuries.	Teens/youth informed about diet, nutrition, and exercise for healthy living.
NE	Jasper	5	Education	Jasper County has many methods of increasing the graduation rate. The hiring of a graduation coach was a good intention of our county officials, but they can only do so much. Students just aren't interested in school.	Identify partners in school and county. Encourage student involvement in clubs. Host club fair. Survey students.	More student involvement in student organizations. Increase graduation rate. Give students more extracurriculars for college applications.

SE	Jeff Davis	9	Health	Lower the teen pregnancy rate in our county.	Visit the middle school to talk about extracurricular activities and advise them to choose school activities instead of sexual activities.	Less time for sexual activities. Fun, learning, and memorable moments.
SE	Jefferson	7	Economic	Lack of industry impeded by spread out local and divisions between communities ??	Form the "Youth Leadership Council" component of the "Communities of Opportunity" program that will be established over the next two years.	We will produce a council of youth representative of each city and town in the county.
SE	Jenkins	7	Economic	Jenkins County has few job opportunities due to lack of industry. Lack of industry leads to poor economic growth. In order for our community to prosper we need to make our community more appealing to outside industry.	Search DCA.state.ga.us for laws. Meet with 4-H agents to ask for their support and to be the facilitators. Contact community and school clubs to see how and where the community needs improvements. Survey areas for what needs cleaning. Present plans to county commissioners and city council. Ask cooperation from other clubs.	Cleaned up areas that are appealing to incoming industry. More industry.
SE	Johnson	9	Education	To raise low test scores. Johnson County has many programs that try to promote higher test scores. Johnson County has great intentions, but the voice of the youth is not heard.	Introduce another after school program.	Pre-test to determine problem areas. Interactive programs for youth and adults. A list of resources that could possibly help.
NE	Jones	6	Economic	Low voter turnout. Citizens uneducated on the alternative methods of voting. Voters need better access to the polls.	Visit Registrar's Office. Contact local media. Distribute absentee ballots.	Voters caring about their own vote. Higher percent of voter turnout.
SW	Lanier	11	Education	Higher graduation rate - our school does not have a high graduation rate.	Offer rewards for academic success - test exemptions, homework passes, free time, suggestion box, school-wide survey, academic ??	Speak with principal. Awards.
	Laurens	9	Health	High STD and teen pregnancy rates. We are number 111 of 159 counties in Georgia w/STDs. We are ranked 63rd for teen pregnancy.	Motivational speakers. Pregnancy suits. Presentations. Educate parents.	Raise awareness. Lower STD and pregnancy rates.

SE	Liberty	12	Education	It takes a village to raise a child and right now the child is raising itself. We are lacking community involvement from parents, neighbors, and local officials. If we could focus on improving, this is the end result -- what Liberty County calls the "Triple E's:" 1) End gang violence, 2) Elevate graduations, 3) Equal education for all students.	Hinesville Night Out. Volunteer work (various places). Mentor Peers. Pass informative flyers. Blog.	Goal-oriented peers. Stronger communities. My Space page. C.I.C. - Community Involvement Club.
NE	Lincoln	7	Health	Drug abuse is a problem in Lincoln County. Because of the lack of teen activities, teens are more likely to do drugs. As a community we can decrease the number of teens in our county that use drugs.	Have support groups and awareness programs.	Healthier teenagers in both mind and body.
SE	Long	12	Health	Educate youth of dangers before they start unhealthy lifestyles. Challenge will be our Board of Education/administration allowing us to go into classes.	Have displays and handouts at our festival coming up. Set up a fair booth on "Your Road Ends Here" due to drugs, alcohol, tobacco.	Assist with finding ways to help young people to stop unhealthy living.
SW	Lowndes	11	Safety	In Lowndes County there is a lot to do, but nothing specifically for teens. Because of the high drop out rates and crime rates, teens need a safe place to study and hang out.	Talk to county officials, school boards, and principals about our plan. Find a place and write a grant for money. Hire people. Advertise the business around town so more people take part.	Plans to illustrate to the community what we will do. Write a grant to get money to start the business. Advertise on the radio and in print.
NE	Lumpkin	2	Health	Poor rural area with meth. use rampant. Raise awareness <u>both</u> in school and the community.	Show video on AMAnnouncements (notevenonce.com). Posters in halls showing physical progression of meth. use. Several students will be selected to participate in a Meth-Out in which they will leave class and return in full addict make-up. At the end of the day, these kids will sit on gym floor around the speaker.	Photos from the events posted to the website. An article in the <i>Nugget</i> describing the event and community resources available to addicts to obtain help.
SW	Macon	8	Education	Lack of academic challenge for gifted/advanced students.	Presentation at a city council meeting. Apply for grants. Obtain a budget and quote of the building school fund.	We will produce a challenging, efficient environment for students with higher learning abilities.
NE	Madison	5	Economic	Getting the disabled more confident and more group oriented. 5% of Madison County population is disabled.	Contact people who will help us collect funds to better the program.	Recreation area for disabled people. Develop support groups (professional and peer lead). Partner "abled" people with disabled people to assist.

NE	McDuffie	7	Health	The increasing of smoking in the community imposes serious health problems for smokers and non-smokers as a whole. We propose a smoking ordinance to decrease smoking related deaths and improve the overall cleanliness of our county.	Contact businesses. Contact city officials. Education classes. Brochures.	Cleaner environment. Healthier community. Lower insurance ordinances. Designated smoking areas. More educated community.
SE	McIntosh	12	Safety	There is no physical place that is safe and positive for teens to go and belong to. They need help with issues relating to home and school. They need supervised and structured activities to participate in. A survey will be conducted, if approved, to assess this need.	After school activities. Homework help. Personal consulting with a kid-friendly adult. Computer access with supervision. Games and social time.	Kids that want to learn. They will feel safe and with adult partners can accomplish their goals.
NW	Meriwether	4	Education	Graduation rate = 56%. GHS has not made AYP in six years. Students are apathetic and unmotivated. Parents are not involved. Teachers need to be re-inspired.	Incentive program "Education Pays." Meet with school administration. Start a peer mediator program. Begin tutoring program. Activity to unify student body.	Pamphlets and resources to get parents involved. Money to fund incentive program.
SW	Mitchell	10	Economic	Mitchell County has taken an interest in helping the CBH. Since this is a community house, we are trying to get other donors or organizations to assist with the needs of the house which is for mentally challenged men.	Have a variety of fundraising ideas - collection of various items including food.	Happy and thriving members of society adjusting to the real world.
NE	Monroe	6	Education	Monroe County has a great school system, however, the drop-out rate is almost 33%. We intend to significantly lower this percentage.	Partner with school system. Provide programs during and after school. Perform week long character program.	Tutoring program. Mentoring program. Character building class.
SE	Montgomery	9	Economic	Montgomery County has many workers that are willing to work and seeking employment. Montgomery County has limited opportunities for employment. We need to attract industry.	Identify sources for funding for spec buildings. Develop a plan to clean up the industrial park.	A list of funding sources. An attractive industrial park ready for industry.
NE	Morgan	5	Education	Apathetic high school students. Students uninterested in getting better grades and test scores, as well as being involved in community. Need to have a youth representative seat on county, city, and BOE boards.	High school students start tutoring program in local elementary school. Financial literacy classes offered to students. College/career fair offered to <u>all</u> high school students. Obtain seat on county, city and BOE boards.	Contact local businesses for possible Financial literacy curriculum and financial support. Proposal for school to start tutoring program. Meet with counselors regarding college/career fair.

NW	Murray	1	Health	Junk food over use. Not enough exercise.	Start with four different classes (K-12), once a month, for four months, to make exercising fun. Educational materials. Kids festival.	Kids knowing proper and fun way to exercise and eat healthy food.
NW	Muscogee	8	Health	Teen pregnancy rate in Muscogee/Columbus is 40%.	Flyers. P.S.A. Classes. Referrals. Identify youth at-risk. Fact sheet.	Snapshot of what is being done. Tool kit for youth. Resource list. Fact sheet. Reduce pregnancy rate.
NW	Newton	5	Education	Low SAT/ACT in Newton County is hard to get in universities . Poor GHSGT passing rate for first time test takers.	Tutor/peer and teacher led.	Increased scores.
NE	Oconee	5	Health	31% of Oconee High Schools students have reported using marijuana. 34% of 18 year-olds report drinking and driving. Our goal is to reduce the number of Oconee County teens who use and abuse alcohol and drugs.	Work with local emergency services to find drug and alcohol programs. Collaborate with other community service agencies. Lead by example. Identify the life skills associated with delinquent behavior in teens.	Educational services/programs -- Health Rocks; Ghost Out; Goggle driving. Create display to use around county -- Say Boo to Drugs; libraries. Flyers around schools. Try to get a speaker.
NE	Oglethorpe	5	Health	In our community we have a high infant mortality rate and a low graduation rate.	With the help of the Jane Fonda Foundation we plan to conduct an assembly informing teens on teen pregnancy with the information given to us from GCAPP. Also with the juniors and seniors informing them of the importance of graduation.	Less pregnancies and more teens will graduate from high school.
NW	Paulding	1	Education	Low school performance as measured by No Child Left Behind Act.	Target elementary students.	Kids will enjoy school more; overall higher test scores.
SW	Peach	6	Education	The challenge we are facing is high drop-out rates. We feel that there should be an adult/youth partnership to help this cause. We have decided to come up with an action plan to increase our high school graduation rate.	Begin an afterschool study session for any student at risk of dropping out or failing. Increase school's public library hours for more study time. Get adults to be more involved and caring about the issue - tutors, support system.	Better attendance. Better study skills and grades. High self-esteem and confidence. Youth and adult partnership. More graduates. Resource list. Potential helpers.
SE	Pierce	11	Economic	Roadside trash dumping and littering and no community recycling program.	Have community recycle and help in community recycle efforts. Get grants to help fund bins for schools and local areas.	More recycled goods. More trash collected.

NW	Pike	4	Education	We want our high school students to participate in the overall success of our school system and to benefit from cooperation with community stakeholders. The overall goal is to create a highly trained, fully participating student body that leads to a "win-win" for all of our community.	Establish mentoring program (math/reading). Establish high school PTO program. Establish internship program with the four local banks.	Higher CRCT scores. Students on track for graduation. NCLB AYP district-wide. Well rounded students who have community service hours. Job/scholarship options for high school students.
NW	Polk	1	Education	Improve test scores. Improve attendance counts.	Reward good grades and improving grades with incentives. Tutorial sessions.	Prepare productive students for success. Awareness.
SW	Pulaski	6	Health	To prevent H.A.P.S. (HIV, AIDS, Pregnancy and STDs).	Talk to middle schoolers and high schoolers about prevention.	We will produce an assembly for teachers and students.
NE	Putnam	6	Health	Putnam County has many girls and most of them have issues with their self-concept caused by peer pressure, self image, or guys making them feel worthless.	Lock-in for <u>all</u> girls and no boys to talk openly and freely about girl's issues and problems.	Girls will have higher self-concept and also understand the problems occurring in our society. Girls will learn the outcomes of unsafe sex.
SW	Quitman	8	Economic	There needs to be a way where our governing body and our county donors could sponsor and support community activities that would keep youth interested and involved.	Have a county-wide youth conference. Plan and initiate programs and activities.	A strong youth voice in government and active participation.
NE	Rabun	2	Economic	In Rabun County, the biggest issue we have is the lack of 4-H transportation.	Fundraisers. Get sponsors. Advertise. Talk to the Board of Education. Talk to the Board of Commissioners.	Posters. Advertisements. Fundraisers.
SW	Randolph/Clay	8	Safety	The issue of not having organized youth activities in our county leads to the fact that the students have too much spare time. This is because they are not involved in extracurricular activities.	Organize fundraisers to acquire funds. Participate in city council meetings and school board meetings	Fun activities to keep youth active. Safe haven for students to spend time. Happier teens and a safer community.
NE	Richmond	7	Safety	Gang violence/riots within schools. Creating a more positive outlook in local public, middle and high schools. Substance abuse among teens and adults. High drop-out rate in high schools. Lack of drive for education. Sanitation/clean up. School funding.	Tutoring. ?? Mentoring sessions. City wide clean up in the spring with mentoring group.	Better educated community. Better educated youth.
NW	Rockdale	3	Economic	Lack of adequate public transportation (95.5% of people in Rockdale County drive private cars).	Network. Create petitions. Research and develop legislation. Find more funding. Promote existing alternative public transportation.	New bus systems. Economic development. More funds. Expansion of existing systems. Increased revenue.

SW	Seminole	10	Education	To make our school a better learning environment for students. To teach students that education is an important part of their lives now and in the future.	Work one-on-one with teachers and the school board to accomplish the needed improvements. Create youth and adult partnership.	Accomplish the goals of improving our school. Give incentives to students who work hard on helping make school improvements.
NW	Spalding	4	Economic	Spalding County has a large number of teens who do not know what it means to have life skills and good citizenship skills.	We will have classes and activities to show youth that they can help in many ways to make the community better.	We will produce a better future for Spalding County by educating today's youth.
SW	Sumter	8	Economic	High drop-out rate for high school (87%). Rapidly increasing poverty rate. High unemployment rate.	Contact administrators. Plan FUN Day schedule. Advertise to students. ID sponsors and donors. Gain local support. Secure transportation. Meet with facility managers. Secure lunch. ID chaperones. Recruit speakers. Purchase teaching materials.	High school FUN Day for perfect attendance and achieving students.
NW	Talbot	8	Safety	Talbot County youth chose to address safety in our community and school. Because many of the needs are youth needs, there is a desire on the part of young people to be involved.	Form meetings. Contact state and local officials. Make sure all residents are involved through media and churches.	A more safe environment and better communication among all parties involved.
SE	Tattnall	9	Economic	Tattnall County has a large number of students concerned about the issues of the health of our environment and the huge amount of waste the community generates. There's a desire of the youth to implement a recycling program in Tattnall County.	Identify the most common types of recycling which apply to our situation. Create a list of adults/youth that demonstrate potential interests in the project. Sponsor recycling contests to generate more interest and awareness.	To form a committee of adults and youth. To form a plan of action implementing a recycling program in our local high school.
SW	Taylor	8	Economic	Taylor County does not have a recycling program. We would like to start a program with the help of the community and schools.	We are going to talk to the schools, community, and the county commissioners.	We will produce a well educated community on recycling.
SW	Terrell	10	Education	We wish to formulate a plan to help reduce the high drop out rate. Currently, 35.5% drop out before graduation.	1a) Activity Fair spotlights existing activities. Recruit student involvement. 1b) Training for adult leaders of existing extracurricular activities. 2a) Recruit parents to help with community projects. 2b) Promote PTA. 2c) Create family advisory panel. 3) Work with school counselors to create an effective peer support group.	1) If kids feel like a part of school, they will be more likely to stay. 2) When parents are involved, kids do better. 3) Peer support may reach some kids who don't respond well to adult help.

SW	Thomas	10	Education	Reduce the number of students not graduating and/or dropping out of high school.	Provide education classes/materials. Jail/prison tours. Hospital tours. Tutoring. GHSGT workshops. Incentives. GED programs. Various speakers. Dissemination of information. Alternative youth activities. Peer mentoring.	More students graduating from high school. Less teens getting pregnant. More teens passing the GHSGT. Less gang activity. Fewer student accidents. Improved teen self esteem.
SW	Tift	11	Education	The school system does not motivate students to challenge themselves academically.	Get in touch with Family Connection. Conduct middle school survey. Speak at school board meeting. Form a youth/adult partnership to help kids in school system.	Better grades. Higher graduation rate. Meeting AYP. More "Hope" recipients. Statewide improvements. Better economy. Better positive self-esteem and attitude.
SE	Toombs	9	Health	Toombs County ranks 128 in the state out of 159 counties in teen pregnancies. We would like to lower the rate of pregnancy in teenagers in Toombs County.	Provide pamphlets to teens. Identify ages and grades at highest risk. Identify potential partnerships/agencies willing to help.	Create a syllabus of what needs to be taught in teen pregnancy prevention classes. Create a list of resources and potential professional contacts.
SE	Treutlen	9	Education	Treutlen County graduation rate. Getting students to not drop out by "scaring" them into graduating.	Create a seminar to convince students into graduating and inform them about their life before and after the decision they make about graduating. We plan to use the community resources, bulletins, flyers, posters, and local newspaper to inform people.	We will have a seminar to promote graduation. We will publish articles and post flyers around the community informing about graduation.
NW	Troup	4	Health	Drug use is prevalent in Troup County.	Implement "Health Rocks" for 5th and 6th grades.	Drug prevention resources.
SW	Turner	11	Economic	Improve education for local workforce - both adults and teens.	Tech classes taken while enrolled in high school classes. Partnership dual enrollment. Teen Maze Platinum Card for improved scores for GHSGT. November Fest (November 1, 10 am-2pm).	Better educated workforce to work both in and out of Turner County. Educate community to be healthier so not to miss days of work. Educate community on safer work place, environment, home and public.
NE	Union	2	Health	Age of kids abusing drugs is decreasing progressively. Therefore, the pressure of younger kids to do drugs is increasing dramatically.	Presentations to move children with the addition of motivational speakers and interaction amongst students. Also using scare tactics and educational testimonies to create better understanding.	A more prepared and knowledgeable student for facing the peer pressure included with high school substance abuse.
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NE	Walton	5	Health	Teen pregnancy.	Invite young mothers to speak to youth in Walton County.	Reduce teen pregnancy in the county.
SE	Ware	11	Economic	Ware County has recently experienced a large wildfire that has damaged our economy by destroying our source of timber and by decreasing the amount of tourism we get through the Okefenokee Swamp.	Identify potential partnerships. Replant timber. Rebuild and advertise swamp. Program with public speakers and raise community awareness. Teach fire safety.	Articles on what is going on now. Handouts on safety. A resource list. New timber crops. More money for our economy from tourists.
SE	Washington	7	Health	Rural hospital is in a financial crisis. People use ER as their "doctor." People do not have insurance and do not pay medical bills. Need surgeon and interns.	Volunteer to do small tasks such as paperwork, taking care of plants, helping out in the nursing home. Hold and support fundraisers. Write letters to legislature to explain needs of rural hospital. Support a SPLOST fund.	24 hour clinic for those who do not have a doctor or insurance. Up to date facility. Youth volunteer program. Help with fundraising for hospital foundation.
SE	Wayne	9	Education	In Wayne County, standardized test scores are low and the drop out rate from 2001-2004 was 7.4% which is 2% higher than the state average. Another problem is all of our schools do not meet AYP. In order to improve this situation, we will implement a tutoring and mentoring program focusing on raising grades, self-esteem and decision making.	Set up 4-H tutoring days. Big Brother/Big Sister. CRCT reward party. Tutor at Boys and Girls Clubs. Set up fun activities with participants.	List of high school students willing to tutor. Campaign to promote tutoring awareness.
SW	Webster	8	Education	We want to get coffee in the school for the high schoolers to drink in the mornings.	Do a poll to see the amount of kids that want coffee in the school. Approach superintendent. Develop arguments or counter arguments to have it.	End Goal! To have coffee for the high schoolers to drink. We get the community involvement we're looking for.
SE	Wheeler	9	Economic	To educate the community on how to reduce the number of fires in Wheeler County.	Go to schools and discuss fire safety with children. Distribute handouts to schools for children to take home to parents. Identify key partnerships. Create website with assistance from Project CHANGE club. During NFPW: run community service announcement in local paper, hold ART contest and display entries, ask schools to focus on story "The Cow that Destroyed Chicago," etc.	Assist families in seeking clothing needs through clothing bank. Referral and resource list. Assistance in trying to get a "firehouse" to help educate children on how to get out of a house fire.

NW	Whitfield	1	Economic	Whitfield County has a number of water conservation programs for their rivers, lakes, and streams. However, youth and adult programs for smart water use are limited. Youth are concerned with the current water shortages and have an interest in educating communities within the county.	Go to our three public high schools and present to the students our plan to help them understand how they can conserve water in the schools and in our community. We will also have to approach local stores that have access to water smart appliances that can be used as demo products.	We will raise money for posters, pamphlets, and water saving tools such as water coaches, also providing fixtures as demo products.
SW	Wilcox	9	Economic	Better afterschool program by providing transportation.	Improve program and it will improve test scores.	Better test scores and make AYP.
NE	Wilkes	7	Education	In Wilkes County, only 30% of teens graduate from high school. We, as a group, would like to lower the teen drop-out rate at our local high school.	Ask the school to be involved. Tell teens what will happen if they don't have an education. Join in with ORBIT leadership to lower drop-out rates.	Flyers. Brochures. Resource list.
SE	Wilkinson	6	Economic	Recycling is something not promoted strongly in our county. However, we as members of the Georgia Youth Summit understand how important it is. We have decided to place recycle bins outside of local businesses and advertise our plan at public events.	Contact agencies who are advocates of recycling. Obtain or make bins. Advertise at local sporting events. Contact local electrical company regarding energy conservation. Encourage the incorporation of going green into school curriculum.	Place bins at local businesses and restaurants. Produce quarterly reports to show benefits and effectiveness of project. Organize county-wide recycle day.
SW	Worth	10	Still gathering	Paperwork		