Problem/Solution Project

Demonstrate that a problem in society that should be addressed and propose possible solutions to that problem. This unit will include multiple assignments based on your research. Answer the following questions before you begin on your Unit 7: Assignment: Research Paper (Step 2):

Research Project Pre-Writing:

- 1. **Who is your audience?** What is your purpose for writing? (hint: it is not because your teacher told you to.) Is there a problem to be solved or a question to be answered?
- 2. What is your topic? Is it too broad or too narrow? Write questions you'd like to answer in your report.
- 3. **Gather information** on your topic; paste and highlight passages you'd like to include in your paper; record information on your sources that will appear in the Works Cited page. Include the actual citations here so you won't have to write it later.
- 4. **Are your sources valid/scholarly/reliable?** Does the author: identify him/herself? include contact information? list credentials? (5 sources minimum.)
- 5. Using your notes, **write an outline** including information you wish to include in your paper. Main topics should be placed in a logical order. Include supporting details and subtopics.

Here's a suggested format to follow. Fill in the details:

- I. Introduction
- A. Attention grabbing statement/statistics
- B. Brief summary of the topic (just a few sentences)
- II. The Problem (Identify it here)
- A. For whom is this a problem? (individuals, cities, states, countries, etc. Name them)
- B. Why it's a problem reason 1
- C. Why it's a problem reason 2
- D-? etc.
- III. Solutions
- A. Solution 1
- B. Solution 2
- C -? keep listing them and how they should be enacted.
- IV. Conclusion
- 6. Create a title that captures the reader's attention.

When you've answered or gathered information for all 6 of these items, put them together into a Document to share with me and post the link or copy/paste in the submission below.