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Outline for community issues topic

Topic: Drug accessibility on Saipan

Introduction: Drug accessibility on Saipan and the possible downfalls of younger generations

My community issue question: How are these drugs getting easier to access and how are they getting here?

Introduction:

Attention grabber - how are these drugs continuously getting smuggled?

1. They are coming in through mail stations and getting handled by workers who are in communication with senders/accomplices of drugs
2. Opportunity of money for some, negative impact for most. Saipan's drug crime rate has heightened over the years. Now, its more common to wake up and read newspaper stories on families that have been busted for transporting and distributing drugs. Families with young children have been incarcerated with no one watch over their kids. The accessibility of drugs is a gateway for younger generations to enter a wrong path. By proper security regulations and surveillance, maybe there is a chance to help this expanding issue.
3. The purpose of this is to spread awareness and educate others about the dangers of what drugs can bring.

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