

COMMUNITY ISSUES VERBAL SPEECH OUTLINE

Persuasive/Informative Speech Outline Format

Specific Purpose: (To reduce drug accessibility among youth)

Thesis: (I believe that drugs have become normalized. With this being said, the use of drugs is prevalent among the youth. I hope to discuss the risks of what drugs can do to a life, as well as to spread awareness.)

INTRODUCTION

§ Attention Getter - (Saipan, what used to be a calm and easygoing-society has taken a turn over the years with its rising crime rates. Behind the respectful image of sandy shores and beautiful sunsets, there is a side that is unspoken of. The war on drugs is nothing new to the citizens on the island, however it has come to be a rapid and expanding issue taking over innocent lives.)

§ Thesis - (. The accessibility of drugs is the first factor sparking the initial issue. This community issue of drugs is among one of the worst things that can overtake an island. The importance of addressing this concern is crucial to the safety of everyone)

§ Ethos & Audience Adaptation - (We all have that someone who we love dearly, but can't seem to get on the right path. Any one of us could be impacted by drugs whether it be a loved one, friends or family. It is important to show support and guidance during the challenging times, in hopes of a positive recovery.)

(Make sure to include your original research in the Body)

§ Preview - (. In hopes of providing awareness, the discussion of collected data such as statistics, surveys and articles are to be included.)

BODY

(5-7 Key Arguments; at least 1 PATHOS appeal]

1. Main Point [Our convenient location in the Pacific Ocean provides easy access to many countries such as the US mainland, China, Indonesia, Japan and Philippines. This contributes to how drugs are entering our borders] - identify as **LOGOS** or PATHOS [(Drug Threat Assessment 2003).]

(Transition)

2. Main Point [. Over the years, drug distribution and money laundering has increased, generating a problem of addiction and violence among natives.] - identify as **LOGOS** or PATHOS [(Drug Threat Assessment 2003)]

(Transition)

3. Main Point [. Drugs like marijuana, cocaine and heroin are circling the island. However, the most commonly abused drug is methamphetamine] - identify as **LOGOS** or PATHOS [(Drug Threat Assessment 2003)]

4. Main Point [Drug usage in the household has become a normality for families, and so have the unfortunate outcomes of these actions] - identify as LOGOS or **PATHOS**

a) The negative consequences of these actions introduces society and the younger generation to exposure of addiction, health issues and possible death (Consequences of illicit drugs 2010).]

(Transition)

5. Main Point [. Within the CNMI, articles arise of parents being detained due to drug smuggling, leaving their young unattended or without a parent. This is heartbreaking, as it not only affects the incarcerated, but also the innocent

a) [De La Torre 2020]

CONCLUSION

§ Signal (Transition, it tells us you're "winding up")

§ Summary (Overall, illegal drugs substances are prone to taint the community. The easy accessibility of it is the core issue that opens up these possible allegations of drug abuse, violence and overdose.)

§ Closing (.Protect the youth and help when you can. It may not be easy, but it's worth saving a life. Say yes to life and no to drugs!)

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