

1. Establish basic information:

a. Identify the local issue you chose.

Hunger in the state of Florida.

b. Identify a potential legal solution for the issue. It may be a new law you already identified in the prior assignment, a change to an existing regulation, or a new idea.

In my local area, there currently is no legal solution (policy-wise) related to this issue. Something I feel that could be instituted is for the abolishment of food waste in garbage collection bins. This would help cut back on the overbuying of food, and save that food for more people who need it.

2. Apply predictive thinking:

a. What group of people would be most affected by this legal solution? For example, it might be business owners, people in a certain occupant, age group, neighborhood, etc.

This legal solution would affect most of the general population (in the area) for the most part, those who live in a home and use a garbage disposal service.

b. Why might this group of people resist complying with the new law or regulation? Consider the financial costs or other short-term and long-term costs this group may bear.

People may resist complying with this regulation because they may feel it is a tedious task, or that it is something that they have to go out of their way to comply with. While this may be tedious short-term, in the long run they would be saving money on food that they do not have to buy in place of the wasted food. Plus at the same time, they would be helping those in need.

c. How might local government address these reasons for resistance in a positive way, to incentivize compliance? For example, perhaps there could be some sort of compensation for any financial costs incurred.

One problem that may arise with this is that by people having to preserve their food longer, some of it may go bad. Because of this, some system could be set in place to reimburse them for the loss of this. This would take a bit of figuring out at first, however a good solution would be found through that in the end.

- d. What consequence for violations would be necessary to incentivize this group to comply with the regulation? For example, a fine would have to be high enough to deter violators but not so high that the legal system would refuse to enforce it.**

To enforce this, a fine would need to be set in place. However, this regulation could be a bit tricky to enforce, as compared to others. This task would be handed over to waste inspectors, and a system for that would need to be created. The fine needs to be high enough to prevent people from violating it; however it cannot be too high, as then issues between the people and the local government would arise.

3. Evaluate the legal solution:

- a. Having applied predictive analysis, would you support this legal solution in your community? Explain why or why not in a complete paragraph.**

I would support this legal solution in my community, as I want to do my part to help combat against hunger issues not only here, but around the world. Yes, it would be a bit of a complexity from the start trying to adapt to this regulation; however if it can be set up the correct way in an orderly manner (with support between both the people and the local government), it can work out to its intent. If we all work together, we can see great results.