

# **The role of community in facing the social problems**

It's important to understand that social •  
problems within a society affect its interaction  
with other societies, which may lead to global  
problems or issues. How another nation deals  
with the problems of a developing nation may  
affect its relationship with that nation and the  
rest of the world for years to come

The very nature of social problems suggests • that society itself is a problem. No country has perfected society where all are happy and where no problems exist. Perhaps the individual nature of humans prevents this, and as many people state, perfection may not be an achievable goal.

# Steps used in facing social problem

1-The first step is the **identification of a • problem**. This step involves not only recognizing the existence of an issue, but also in-depth study of the problem and its history. This stage of the process often involves determining who is affected, how aware the public is of the issue and whether it is a short .or long-term concern.

2-After identifying and studying the problem, **solution is usually formulated and adopted.** •  
This step is usually marked by discussion between governmental officials, interest groups, and individual citizens over how best to address the issue. The general purpose of this step is to set clear goals and list the steps to achieve them.

3-A third stage is the **implementation** of **تطبيق** •  
policy changes. This step usually includes  
defining the agencies and organizations  
involved and distributing responsibilities to  
each. To be successful, this stage usually  
requires agency communication and  
cooperation, sufficient funds and staff, and  
overall compliance to the new approach

4-The final stage in the process, known as •  
**evaluation and maintenance**, is typically an  
ongoing one. While the importance of this  
step has not always been emphasized,  
modern policy makers often incorporate tools  
for evaluation into the formulation stage.

# What is a social problem?

A social problem is a condition that at least some people in a community view as being undesirable. Everyone would agree about some social problems, such as murders and traffic deaths. Other social problems may be viewed as such by certain groups of people. Teenagers who play loud music in a public park obviously do not view it as a problem, but some other people may consider it an undesirable social condition. Some nonsmokers view smoking as an undesirable social condition that should be banned or restricted in public buildings.



Every newspaper is filled with stories about undesirable social conditions. Examples include crime, violence, drug abuse, and environmental problems. Such social problems can be found at the local, state, national and international levels.