PROBLEM-SOLUTION FRAMEWORK

PROBLEM

EFFECTS   CAUSES   SUMMARY
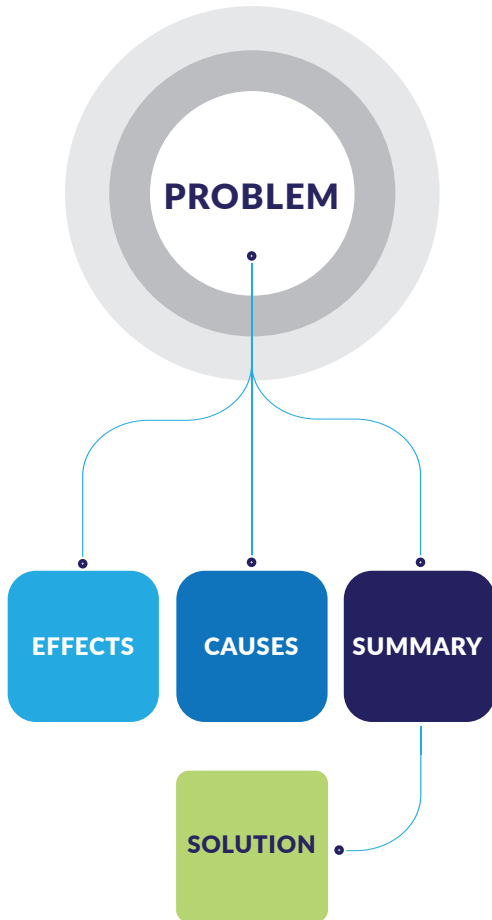
SOLUTION

1. State the problem your award winner addressed, then summarize it as briefly as possible.

2. What are the causes of this problem? In other words, what created or creates the problem?

3. What are the effects of this situation? In other words, why is the problem a problem?

In order to solve the problem, your award winner had to address the causes and mitigate the effects. This means their solution had to address the causes and, as a result, eliminate or drastically reduce any negative effects.

For each cause and effect you list, summarize what the award winner did to address the cause, and how the negative effect was eliminated or reduced. Use the statement model provided to summarize your findings using as many of the statements as you need.

For example:

Employees driving to work_causes/caused _____ pollution and greenhouse gases.

By creating a bike-to-work program, this award winner "helped save more than 7,000 gallons of gasoline in one year".

_____ causes/caused _____.

By _____ , this award winner _____.