

## Figure 5.16: Digging Deeper— Use Your Voice to Advocate for Change

How does this issue affect me personally, if at all? Why do I care about it?

What factors are at the center of the issue?

Which communities are most impacted?

What events or circumstances lead to the issue? Why is the issue complicated?

What is the position of one side, and what reasoning do they provide to support their position?

What is the position of the other side, and what reasoning do they provide to support their position?

What solutions have been tried, and what were the outcomes of the efforts?

As controversial issues are often complex, can you find other issues that are related to or embedded within this issue? If so, what are they? For example:

- Does it involve illegal practices?
- Does it have a historical precedent?
- Does it violate basic human rights?
- Does it involve cruelty to animals?
- Is it one of the ways that an already vulnerable population is further marginalized?