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1/1/2021					
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HEADLINE	Mexico Edition.				
PROGRAM	From the signing of the USMCA trade deal, to the sudden spread of the Covid-19 pandemic and the ensuing crisis, to the capture and release of Gen. Cienfuegos in the US, to the US election, radio colleagues from Mexico comment on the stories that made top headlines in 2020 in Mexico.				
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HEADLINE	Covid: Hospitals in Crisis.				
PROGRAM	<p>Hospitals in Los Angeles County and other areas in California are hitting the breaking point and turning away ambulances. Very sick patients are having to wait long hours after a massive, worst-in-nation Covid surge, as a new Covid strain is found in Southern California. Doctors are urging the public to stay home, not travel and wear face coverings. A public health leader talks about this and tests available as well as the plans for distribution of Covid vaccine.</p> <p>Guest: Dr. Margarita Pereyda, Interim Chief Medical Information Officer, Office of Los Angeles County DHHS/Correctional Health Services, Los Angeles, CA. (TBC)</p> <p>Ricardo Lara. A group of the nation's state insurance commissioners, including California Insurance Commissioner Ricardo Lara, joined together to provide health policy recommendations to the incoming Biden administration. They address urgent public health issues such as the COVID-19 and opioid crises, racial disparities in the healthcare system, and ensuring enforcement of mental health parity.</p> <p>Guest: Ricardo Lara, California Insurance Commissioner, Los Angeles, CA.</p> <p>Georgia Runoff: The Eve. President Trump and President-elect Joe Biden are campaigning in Georgia in the final hours before the critical runoff election for two US Senate seats. While runoffs tend to draw far fewer voters than a general election, early voting in this election is breaking historic records. This is a report.</p>				
1/5/2021					
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HEADLINE	Georgia: Senate Elections Day.				
PROGRAM	<p>Georgia Senate runoff election is underway. The twin contests between Sen. David Perdue (R) and journalist Jon Ossoff (D) and Sen. Kelly Loeffler (R) and the Rev. Raphael Warnock (D) will determine which party controls the Senate. Both races are tight. If Democrats win both runoffs, the party will have control of the chamber. But if Republicans win one of the two races, they will maintain control. Guest commentators bring news and analysis about Election Day.</p> <p>Guests: Gerardo Guzmán, News Director, Hispanic News Service, Atlanta, GA; Adelina Nicholls, Executive Director, Georgia Latino Alliance for Human Rights, Atlanta, GA; Maria del Rosario Palacios, Latinx Coalitions Lead for the Democratic Party of Georgia, Lawrenceville, GA; Claudia Gomez, Voter, College Student, Georgia Tech, Grayson, GA.</p>				

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1/6/2021					
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HEADLINE	Presidential Election: Final Step.				
PROGRAM	<p>In a move seen as a political circus, a Republican U.S. Senator pledges to challenge the electoral vote count, when Congress convenes today for the Electoral College certification. A similar objection to the results will be raised in the House. Political experts contend the effort will only delay the process, and say it's intended to serve as a symbolic move to show support for President Trump. Biden will still be certified as the winner of the election, but it will face a delay in the final step of the certification process. A journalist explains the Electoral College count and reports on the joint congressional session.</p> <p>Guest: José López Zamorano, Reporter, Washington, DC.</p> <p>Georgia Senate Election Results. Georgia became a battleground state in the presidential election for the first time in decades. The US Senate runoff will give an idea if Georgia reaffirms itself as a swing state. As the vote count continues, a correspondent reports on the preliminary results and political analysts provide perspective.</p> <p>Guests: Gerardo Guzmán, News Director, Hispanic News Service, Atlanta, GA; Jerry González, Executive Director, Georgia Association of Latino Elected Officials – GALEO, Atlanta, GA.</p>				
1/7/2021					
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HEADLINE	Stimulus Package.				
PROGRAM	<p>The first coronavirus aid checks are on the way and unemployment programs are set to be restarted as part of the new Covid-19 relief package as the fight for larger payments continue in the senate. The stimulus bill also provides protections against evictions and foreclosures on homes as well as expanded food assistance. A leading member of the congressional group that crafted the final relief bill explains the key parts of the package.</p> <p>Guests: Rep. Salud Carbajal, D-Santa Barbara, Washington, DC.</p> <p>California School Reopening. Governor Newsom unveiled a new plan to resume in-person instruction, especially for the youngest students, and those facing serious learning challenges, including poor students, homeless students, and foster children. Welcomed by leaders of teachers and school workers, the plan comes with a 2 billion aid package to help pay for PPE, Covid testing, and other safety measures.</p> <p>The Social Bridging Project. Under a state initiative, California mobilizes more than 1,000 callers to reach out to older people who are isolating at home. The project, announced as first in the nation, will combat social isolation through one-on-one communication with older people living alone, and will give them access to nutritious meals, mental health services, Covid testing, and other resources.</p> <p>Guest: Ana Cobian, The Social Bridging Project, Listos California, Los Angeles, CA</p>				
1/8/2021					
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HEADLINE	Mexico Edition.				
PROGRAM	<p>Mexicans living abroad could cast their vote online in this year's midterm elections after voting for almost 15 years by mail. This year, Mexico will hold 13 gubernatorial races and hundreds of congressional races. Eight of the states in which a new governor will be elected allow voting from abroad, including Michoacán, Colima, Zacatecas and Nayarit. The online voting system will be tested and assessed to be extended to the 2024 presidential election. Mexican officials are invited to discuss this topic.</p>				

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1/11/2021					
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HEADLINE	The Presidential Transition.				
PROGRAM	<p>After violent riots by Trump supporters at the US Capitol ended with five deaths, House Democrats introduce articles of impeachment today. A news correspondent files a report on the latest about the criminal investigation into the Capitol attack and the swift action in the House. Political analysts comment on the efforts to overturn the election, the investigation on the violent riot, the decision by social media companies to ban Trump's account over violence threats, the presidential transition, and Joe Biden's Latino cabinet picks.</p> <p>Guests: José López Zamorano, Reporter, Washington, DC; Vanessa Cárdenas, Senior Adviser, League of United Latin American Citizens LULAC, Washington, DC; Rosario Marin, Former US Treasurer, Political Analyst, Orange, CA</p>				
1/12/2021					
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HEADLINE	Immigration Edition.				
PROGRAM	<p>An automotive mechanic was incarcerated for more than a year and a half over his immigration status. He is now reunited with his wife and four kids after being released from detention due to high risk of Covid-19. What were the consequences of separation to his family and his community? This is a story about a family that went broke and traumatized after this deportation action. On another story, claiming that ICE escalated bullying and terror tactics during a major operation against sanctuary cities this year, immigrant advocates sued DHS and ICE to be allowed access to arrest records and related information for a number of ICE raids in sanctuary cities throughout the US and the way the agencies choose their "targets." Finally, a legal analyst comments on the connotations of Trump's visit to celebrate the border wall in Alamo, Texas, as a rallying cry for White "patriots," the resignation of DHS' Chad Wolf, and the reports about new migrant caravans being organized in Central America. Analysts comment on these and more stories.</p> <p>Guests: René Ramirez Alatorre, Released Immigrant Detainee, Emma Mendoza, Wife of Released Detainee, Undisclosed Location, WA; Jose Chapa, Sr. Policy Associate, Immigrant Defense Project, Brooklyn NY; Willy Allen, Immigration Attorney, FWD.us, Miami, FL</p>				
1/13/2021					
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HEADLINE	Covid Updates.				
PROGRAM	<p>After the US deadliest Covid-19 week, the healthcare system is being overwhelmed in California and other states. Why are Covid deaths on the rise? Who is spreading the virus? What do we know about the new virus mutations? Who is getting the vaccine and when can everybody expect to get it? How does the vaccine work? Can a vaccinated person still spread the virus? What are the new drugs used to treat Covid patients?</p> <p>Guest: Dr. Jose R. Torradas, Spokesperson, American College of Emergency Physicians (ACEP), Buckingham, PA.</p> <p>Stimulus Package. The first coronavirus aid checks are on the way and unemployment programs are set to be restarted as part of the new Covid-19 relief package as the fight for larger payments continue in the senate. The stimulus bill also provides protections against evictions and foreclosures on homes as well as expanded food assistance. A leading member of the congressional group that crafted the final relief bill explains the key parts of the package.</p> <p>Guests: Rep. Salud Carbajal, D-Santa Barbara, Washington, DC.</p> <p>Trump Impeachment Debate. This report includes highlights of the debate that began this morning on the House floor to impeach President Trump, a historic second impeachment process. Most Latino congressmembers favor the impeachment. Rep. Joaquin Castro has been designated an impeachment manager.</p> <p>Guest: Jose Lopez Zamorano, Reporter, Washington, DC; (Audio Segments) Reps. Veronica Escobar, Adriano Espaillat, Chuy García, Sylvia García, Salud Carbajal, US House, Washington, DC.</p>				

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1/14/2021					
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HEADLINE	Trump Impeached for a Second Time.				
PROGRAM	<p>A news correspondent reports on the historic impeachment of President Trump by the US House on charges of “Inciting insurrection.” The impeachment resolution passed with ten Republican votes. He also gives the latest details about the investigation on the violent attack on the US Capitol.</p> <p>Guest: Jose Lopez Zamorano, Reporter, Washington, DC</p> <p>Labor Coronavirus Protections. Citing an increase in minimum wage and other workplace violations, California’s Labor Commissioner is visiting agricultural areas to make farm workers aware of their rights to sick leave with pay and rest breaks as well as protection against retaliation regardless of immigration status. She explains new state labor laws for 2021, including a new minimum wage and over time pay for field workers.</p> <p>Guest: Lilia García-Bower, California State Labor Commissioner, Sacramento, CA.</p> <p>Covid Scams. Coronavirus health and financial support scams are surging, with fraudsters contacting people by phone, email, fake websites or text. Scammers are offering tests, vaccines, miracle treatments, Medicare prescription cards, Covid Personal Protection Equipment, and even stimulus payments and PPP loans, in exchange for personal, financial and medical information. A consumer-defense official talks about the most common scams and gives practical tips.</p> <p>Guest: Cristina Miranda, Senior Project Manager, Division of Consumer and Business Education, FTC , Washington, DC.</p>				
1/15/2021					
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HEADLINE	Mexico Edition.				
PROGRAM	<p>Mexicans living abroad could cast their vote online in this year’s midterm elections after voting for almost 15 years by mail. This year, Mexico will hold 13 gubernatorial races and hundreds of congressional races. Eight of the states in which a new governor will be elected allow voting from abroad, including Michoacán, Colima, Zacatecas and Nayarit. The online voting system will be tested and assessed to be extended to the 2024 presidential election. The liaison with Mexican emigres also comments on a renewed program to report extorsions and bribes against migrants, the plans to restart efforts to help families and communities to invest US remittances, and the reported neglect on returned families and undocumented migrants in need of legal aid.</p> <p>Guests: Luis Gutiérrez Reyes, Director, Instituto de los Mexicanos en el Exterior, Ciudad de México;</p> <p>Mexico Bans Transgenic Corn and Major Herbicide. Under a presidential order, Mexico bans transgenic corn and the herbicide glyphosphate. The ban will be gradually completed by 2024. Glyphosphate, which is believed to harm human health and the environment, must be replaced with alternatives that are safe for human health and biocultural diversity, including organic products, according to the decree. A top official of Mexico’s environmental agency discusses the order’s ramifications.</p> <p>Guest: Mtra. Adelita SanVicente, Executive Director, Department of Primary Sector and Renewable Natural Resources, Secretaría del Medio Ambiente – SEMARNAT, Mexico City</p> <p>Cienfuegos Exonerated. Mexico’s Attorney General exonerated Gen. Salvador Cienfuegos, the former Secretary of Defense who was arrested in the US over drug trafficking and money laundering. President López Obrador supported the decision and said the US Drug Control Administration “fabricated” the charges.</p> <p>Guest: (Audio Segments) Andrés Manuel López Obrador, President of México, Morning News Conference, México City.</p>				

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1/18/2021					
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HEADLINE	Dolores Huerta on Dr. King's Legacy.				
PROGRAM	<p>On Martin Luther King Jr Day, the civil rights icon Dolores Huerta shares a reflection on Dr. King's legacy. She is calling on people to commit to eliminate racism, to fight with nonviolence, and to stand by the organizing of lowest paid workers. Huerta also said that while they didn't meet, Dr. King and her communicated and worked together on common causes.</p> <p>Guest: Dolores Huerta, President, Dolores Huerta Foundation, Bakersfield, CA.</p> <p>Tite Curet: "Las Caras Lindas de mi Gente Negra." On Dr. King's Day and on the eve of the World Day for African and Afrodescendant Culture, Puerto Rican composer Tite Curet Alonso talks about his worldwide acclaimed songs, his work with the top salsa interpreters, and his lifetime celebration of Afro-Latino culture through music. This archival interview with the late composer was originally aired in 2,000.</p> <p>Guest: Tite Curet Alonso, Master Songwriter, San Juan, PR.</p>				
1/19/2021					
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HEADLINE	Immigration Edition.				
PROGRAM	<p>A prominent immigrant-rights leader comments on the immigration executive actions expected the first day of the Biden presidency, including on DACA, TPS, the public charge rule and the Muslim ban, the road ahead for Biden's immigration reform proposal, green cards for farm workers, and the credentials of the team Jose Biden assembled to work on immigratin policy. Also, a veteran state lawmaker from Georgia gives his views on the historic swearing in of VP Kamala Harris by judge Sonia Sotomayor, the new emergency coronavirus plan, the certification of Georgia's Ossof and Warnock wins and the renewed conservatives push for yet more voting rights restrictions. Finally, a human rights advocate calls on Guatemala, Mexico and the US to respect asylum protocols for thousands of Honduran migrants whose caravan was blocked in Guatemala.</p> <p>Guests: Marielena Hincapié, Executive Director, National Immigration Law Center, Los Angeles, CA; State Rep. Pedro Marín, Georgia House of Representatives, Atlanta, GA; Helena Olea, Human Rights Senior Advisor, Alianza America, Chicago, IL.</p>				
1/20/2021					
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HEADLINE	Biden-Harris Inauguration.				
PROGRAM	<p>Amid extra security measures due to the Jan 6 attack by Trump's supporters, Joe Biden takes the oath of office and gives the inaugural address. In a historic milestone, Kamala Harris is sworn in as the first woman, first Black, and first Asian American Vice President by the first Latina Supreme Court justice, Sonia Sotomayor. An eyewitness reporter provides highlights of the presidential ceremony and the calls for national unity at the inaugural speech. Political analysts give perspective on the meaning of today's events and the first actions of the new president in areas such as the pandemic, the crisis, and immigration reform. They also comment on Trump's impeachment process and on the cooperation expected from Congress to confirm cabinet members and pass key legislation.</p> <p>Guests: José López Zamorano, News Reporter, Washington, DC; María Echaveste, Former US Presidential Advisor for President Clinton, President and CEO, The Opportunity Institute, Berkeley, CA; Hilda Solis, Member of Board of Supervisors, Los Angeles County, Former Labor Secretary for President Obama, Los Angeles, CA; Audio segments: President Joe Biden, Vice President Kamala Harris, Supreme Court Justice Sonia Sotomayor, Chief Justice John Roberts, Senator Amy Klobuchar, Actress and Singer Jennifer Lopez.</p>				

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1/21/2021					
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HEADLINE	Biden Harris: The First Day.				
PROGRAM	Joe Biden unveiled an emergency package to combat the coronavirus and get relief for the workers and families impacted by the crisis. A reporter brings the news and political analysts discuss Biden's plan and the first measures on immigration, racial justice, and climate change. They also comment on the steps to get confirmation of the cabinet and Trump's impeachment trial in the Senate.				
	Guests: José López Zamorano, Reporter, Washington, DC; Dr. Jane Delgado, Executive Director, National Alliance for Hispanic Health, Washington, DC; María Teresa Kumar, Executive Director, Voto Latino, Washington, DC (TBC); Hilda Solís, Supervisor, Los Angeles County, Former US Cabinet Member, Los Angeles, CA (TBC).				
1/22/2021					
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HEADLINE	Mexico Edition.				
PROGRAM	After saying that the US "fabricated" drug trafficking charges against former chief of Defense, general Salvador Cienfuegos, the Mexican government released the files of the case. A well known advocate for reforms in Mexico's armed forces examines the files and comments on Mexico's decision to exonerate Cienfuegos. He says the decision has political, but not judicial value, politics overcomes justice, and warns about the growing influence of the Army in Mexican society. A medical expert also comments on the fast spread of coronavirus around Mexico, the hospitals filled to capacity, and the limited availability of Covid tests. "The health system's capacity has expanded, but the crisis has overwhelmed the system," he says.				
	Guests: Gen. José Francisco Gallardo, Brigadier General of the Mexican Army, Scholar and Human Rights Activist, Mexico City; Dr. Ernesto Sánchez Camargo, Retired Physician, Former Coordinator of National Public Health Programs, Instituto Mexicano del Seguro Social, Mexico City.				
1/25/2021					
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HEADLINE	COVID Vaccine Plan.				
PROGRAM	California has developed a Covid mass vaccination plan in several phases, targeting the most vulnerable populations first and then expanding to others. Some health workers are already reaching out to farm workers in the fields through mobile clinics. Experts join this program to talk about the latest news from scientists on the pandemic, the different plans to distribute the vaccine, who is getting it, and how to stop the spread of the virus.				
	Guests: Dr. Ilan Shapiro, Medical Director of Health and Wellness Education, AltaMed Health Services, Los Angeles, CA; Luz Gallegos, Executive Director, TODEC Legal Center, Perris, CA.				
	Guest: Heidi de Marco, Reporter, Kaiser Health News, Los Angeles, CA.				

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1/26/2021					
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HEADLINE	Immigration Edition.				
PROGRAM	<p>The Biden-Harris immigration bill, with a roadmap to citizenship, is being spearheaded in the US Senate by Sen. Bob Menéndez under the title US Citizenship Act of 2021. The senator explains key components of the package in a news conference. Also, as a federal judge temporarily halts President Biden's deportation pause, a well-known sanctuary activist talks about what this deportation ban means for her plans to continue seeking protection from deportation at a Denver church. Finally, advocates urge Congress to use the tool of budget reconciliation to include a fast-track path to legalization for essential workers working on the frontlines of the pandemic, Dreamers and TPS holders. A policy analyst explains how this legislative resource works.</p> <p>Guests: (Audio Recording) Sen. Bob Menéndez, D-New Jersey, Washington, DC; Jeanette Vizguerra, Immigration Activist, Sanctuary Church Refugee, First Unitarian Society of Denver, Denver, CO; Carlos Guevara, Associate Director of Immigration Initiatives, UnidosUS, Washington, DC; Tania Chávez, Dreamer, Strategist, La Unión del Pueblo Entero – LUPE, McAllen, TX</p>				
1/27/2021					
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HEADLINE	Latino Small Business: Relief Funds.				
PROGRAM	<p>Latino small businesses were short-changed during the last Covid relief program. Are they getting a fairer share this time? A national leader of Latino business explains the new regulations of the Payroll Protection Program, the eligibility requirements, how to spend the money to have the debt forgiven, and how to apply. He also comment on a new bill in Congress seeks funds for small businesses along the border corridor devastated by the pandemic emergency.</p> <p>A small Latino businesses that were given a piggyback in the latest federal loan program to overcome the crisis generated by the coronavirus pandemic. And a new congressional bill seeks funding to help small businesses along the border devastated by the pandemic emergency. And on the nomination of Isabel Guzmán to lead the SBA.</p> <p>Guest: Ramiro Cavazos, National President and CEO, US Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, San Antonio, TX.</p> <p>The Social Bridging Project.</p> <p>What is being done to help older people combat the isolation, depression and loneliness caused by the Covid-19 pandemic?, for which a program announced as first in the nation called "Listos" was launched in California to combat social isolation through one-on-one communication with older people living alone, and will give them access to nutritious meals, mental health services, Covid testing, and other resources. A representative of this state initiative shares information about urgent services they have provided in recent days and the ways callers gain trust and advise elders against fraud.</p> <p>Guest: Ana Cobian, Spokesperson, The Social Bridging Project, Los Angeles, CA.</p>				

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1/28/2021					
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HEADLINE	Trump Impeachment Trial.				
PROGRAM	<p>The House is turning its article of impeachment charging Trump with “incitement to insurrection” to the Senate, where the trial is expected to begin on Feb 9. What happens next? This is a report on the plans for the court of impeachment, the uphill battle to get 17 Republican votes, and the efforts by some Republicans to settle with a Senate vote to censure Trump.</p> <p>Guest: José López Zamorano, Reporter, Washington, DC.</p> <p>Capital Punishment. During his last week in office, President Trump went into an execution spree, overseeing at the end the most federal executions in over 120 years. A criminal justice reformer talks about the corruption of the death penalty, a system plagued with racial bias, and the impact of capital punishment on families and communities. He also comments on the calls on President Biden, who campaigned against the death penalty, to commute the sentences of those on federal death row, the bills pending in Congress to end the death penalty, and a bill in California to amend the state constitution to abolish the capital punishment.</p> <p>Guest: Magdaleno “Leno” Rose-Avila, Writer, Human and Civil Rights Advocate, Atlanta, GA.</p>				
1/29/2021					
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HEADLINE	Mexico Edition.				
PROGRAM	<p>The rapid increase in Covid-19 in Mexico and the sudden mortality of pregnant women who have tested positive for the virus is alarming. The Ministry of Health has issued an epidemiological alert, and a panel of Mexican experts has made a call to avoid the use of drugs without scientific support for their effectiveness to cure or treat the virus. Also, Mexicans with dual nationality are crossing into the US to get a vaccine. On another topic, Mexican President López Obrador reaffirmed his support for plans to increase oil exploitation under government control and criticized the interests behind the renewable energy industry. This position may put his administration in a potential conflict with President Biden, who recently announced actions on Climate Change aimed at dismantling Trump’s pro-fossil fuel policies and green-lighting clean energy. In addition, the executive orders on immigration and asylum of President Biden are discussed.</p> <p>Guests: (Audio Segment) President Andrés Manuel López Obrador, Morning News Conference, Mexico City; Marisa Limo Garza, Deputy Director of HOPE Border Institute, in El Paso, TX, Las Cruces, NM, and Ciudad Juárez, Mexico.</p>				
2/1/2021					
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HEADLINE	Coronavirus Update.				
PROGRAM	<p>As the House takes first steps to pass Covid relief this week, President Biden signs an executive order expanding access to the Affordable Care Act and Medicaid to give a new opportunity to enroll for those who lost their jobs and employer-based insurance during the pandemic. Analysts comment on these topics and the latest news on the ramping up of Covid vaccine efforts.</p> <p>Guests: Mr. Vargas, Farmworker, Parlier, CA; Martin Vargas, Producer, Radio Bilingüe, Fresno, CA</p> <p>Cuban Doctors to Fight LA Pandemic? As the staffing crisis worsens in hospitals in Los Angeles because of the Covid surge, activists call on Mayor Garcetti and Gov. Newsom to have Cuba send pandemic battle-tested doctors and nurses to help save lives. Cuba, a nation of about 11 million, reports about 200 deaths by Covid, while Los Angeles county, with 10 million people, has more than 16,000 deaths. A physician talks about the proposed binational medical partnership.</p> <p>Guest: Dr. Leni Villagomez Reeves, doctor and solidarity activist, Fresno, CA</p>				

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2/2/2021					
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HEADLINE	Immigration Edition.				
PROGRAM	A new immigration plan, as part of the \$1.9 trillion COVID relief bill, includes granting undocumented essential workers a green card and reduce the wait time for citizenship. A leading farmworker advocate discusses the plan. Also, as President Biden ordered the end of the use of private prisons to incarcerate federal prisoners, immigrant rights advocates urge Biden to end federal contracts for detaining immigrants. Finally, a federal lawmaker talks about the National Office of the New Americans Act, a measure that would create a national office within the White House to help facilitate the integration of immigrants into US society.				
	Guests: Nicolas Palazzo, Staff Attorney, HIAS Border Fellow, Las Americas, El Paso, TX; Teresa Romero, National President, United Farm Workers Union, Bakersfield, CA; Corporal Antonio Medina, US Marine, Father detained in Moshannon Valley Correctional Facility, PA, New York City, NY				
2/3/2021					
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HEADLINE	Climate Change and Anti-Racism Action.				
PROGRAM	Joe Biden is placing environmental justice in the front burner of his bold climate change plan, creating a new White House council on environmental justice. Cecilia Martínez, a long-time critic of racism and injustice, was chosen to lead the team. Guest analysts discuss what to expect from the new plan, including using the government's buying power to transform the federal fleet and create jobs in the clean energy industry, impose new regulations on polluting companies, and rebuild a number of environmental programs dismantled during the Trump administration. They also discuss the goals to have larger investments in green technologies and clean energy in communities of color, that live near toxic landfills, oil refineries, and major sources of pollution. Also, a reporter gives news about a bill in Oregon to place a moratorium on mega dairy farms, which are large-scale cattle operations linked to waste, pollution and climate change.				
	Guests: Vanessa Cardenas, President at CardenasStrategies LLC, Senior Advisor at League of United Latin American Citizens, Washington, DC; Esther Sosa, Project Manager, Political Affairs Team, Environmental Defense Fund, Washington, DC; Arturo Sarmiento, Station Manager, KTUP- Radio Poder, Salem, OR				
2/4/2021					
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HEADLINE	Raising Minimum Wage.				
PROGRAM	House and Senate leaders introduced the Raise the Wage Act, a legislation to raise the federal minimum wage to \$15 by 2025 also included in President Biden's 1.9 trillion relief package. Proponents say that despite working hard and risking Covid infection, many workers are paid poverty-level wages and can't afford the most basic needs. Guests analysts comment about conservative arguments against raising the minimum wage, the efforts to pass the bill with a simple majority through the budget reconciliation process, the GAO report showing that millions of workers are receiving food stamps and Medicaid despite working full time, many of them employees of giant corporations like Walmart and McDonald's, and the battle to get all the Democratic votes in the Senate.				
	Guests: Rocio Saénz, Executive Vice President, SEIU International, Washington, DC; Dr. Raul Hinojosa-Ojeda, Professor, Chicana and Chicano Studies Department, Director and Founder of North America Integration and Development Center, UCLA, Los Angeles, CA.				

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2/5/2021					
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HEADLINE	Mexico Edition.				
PROGRAM	<p>Mexico's Covid death toll is now the third highest in the world. An eminent Mexican expert discusses the spread of Covid in the country, including Mexico's Covid testing efforts, hospitalizations, vaccination plans, and other emergency measures, as well as the state of Mexico's health care system. Also, despite the pandemic crisis, Mexican migrants sent home a record \$40 billion in remittances in 2020, prompting the Mexican president to hail the importance of these bail out funds. And a folk music maestro who lives in California reports the murder of his sons, distinguished musicians, by suspected members of organized crime while they were in their native land in Oaxaca documenting their Afro-Oaxacan culture.</p> <p>Guests: Dr. Samuel Ponce de Leon, Coordinator, Commission to Respond to the Covid-19 Epidemic, UNAM, Mexico City; Fernando Eloy Banis, Director and Founder, Los Hijos de la Banda, Father of Murdered Musicians, Bakersfield, CA; (Audio Segments) Andrés Manuel López Obrador, President of México, Mexico City.</p>				
2/8/2021					
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HEADLINE	Eviction Protections Extended.				
PROGRAM	<p>California Gov. Newsom signed a law that extends eviction protections through the end of June and gives \$2.6 billion in rental relief. Last year's law that banned evictions for unpaid rent for tenants who paid at least 25% of their rent owed has just expired. Newsom and leaders of the legislature pledged to pass a law offering more assistance later this year. An advocate examines the state law and provides advice to tenants impacted by the crisis.</p> <p>Guest: Stephano Medina, Skadden Fellow, Eviction Defense Network, Los Angeles, CA.</p> <p>The Fight for More Covid Relief. Congress cleared the way to allow Democrats to pass a Covid-19 relief bill without Republican support. Still, the debate on preventing upper income taxpayers from receiving \$1,400 Covid relief checks and on the hike in the minimum wage to \$15 an hour will continue. An analyst comment on the content of the relief bill so far, and on some guiding principles for the economic plan, like thinking big about spending, especially in public health, and giving more aid to those struggling the most.</p> <p>Guests: Andrés Vinelli, Vice President of Economic Policy, Center for American Progress, Washington, DC</p>				
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HEADLINE	Immigration Edition.				
PROGRAM	<p>Senators from both parties reintroduced the Dream Act, version 2021, legislation that would provide a pathway to U.S. citizenship for undocumented immigrant youth. What are the chances for strong bipartisan support, to prevent a filibuster? Also, a new report titled "Always Essential, Perpetually Disposable" shares stories from California farmworkers about how, while being considered "essential" during the pandemic, their families are suffering heightened insecurity, risk, and health disparities. A researcher shares the findings. Also, a medical expert talks about California vaccination work, the way the state prioritizes frontline essential workers to get the vaccine, talks about the vaccine's safety and effectiveness against virus mutations, and debunks common rumors about the vaccine (serious allergic reactions, alters DNA, plain water, microchip.)</p> <p>Guests: Erica Fernández Zamora, Research Associate, California Institute for Rural Studies, Visalia, CA; Dr. Sergio Aguilar-Gaxiola, Director, Center for Reducing Health Disparities, UC Davis, Davis, CA; Juan Manuel Guzmán, State and Local Advocacy Strategist, United We Dream, Washington, DC.</p>				

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HEADLINE	Trump Impeachment Trial.				
PROGRAM	House impeachment managers present their case to the Senate in Day 2 of the second impeachment trial against Trump. Through speeches and videos, the managers said that the violent attack on Capitol Hill on Jan 6 to overturn the vote count was not accidental, but by design, and was incited by Trump Joaquin Castro, one of the House members prosecuting Trump, accused Trump of "dereliction of duty" and inciting the mob to acts of lynching against leaders of the congressional session. This program provides a news report on the first two days of the trial.				
	Guest: José López Zamorano, Reporter, Washington, DC.				
	Afro-Latino View on Black History Month. An education advocate provides an Afro-Latino perspective on Black History Month and highlights efforts in state legislatures to get the history of the people of color in the US represented in the public school curriculum. He also says that the nominee to lead the US Department of Education, Miguel Cardona, is breaking with the privatizing legacy of his predecessor and bringing an agenda of inclusion and equity. He says Cardona would have a special impact on issues in higher education, including student debt and college costs, access to community colleges, and on bridging the digital divide.				
	Guest: Steven Cruz, Communications Director and Spokesperson, Leadership of Education Equity, Founder, Steven Cruz Institute for Media, Science + Technology (SCI), Florida International University, Miami, FL.				
2/11/2021					
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HEADLINE	California School Reopening.				
PROGRAM	Governor Newsom unveiled a new plan to resume in-person instruction, especially for the youngest students, and those facing serious learning challenges, including poor students. The governor's plan to reopen schools comes with a 2 billion aid package to help pay for PPE, Covid testing, and other safety measures. A leader of school workers is skeptic that the plan includes enough funding to pay for vaccines for all and ensure a Covid-free environment in the school community.				
	Guest: Max Arias, Executive Director, SEIU Local 99, Los Angeles, CA.				
	How to Cope with the Pandemic Blues. As the COVID-19 pandemic continues hitting California, many suffer the loss of a family member or friend. The grief is compounded by isolation at home and the worries about the future: job losses, overdue rents and mortgages, medical bills, and lost health insurance. How to cope with the feelings of grief, loneliness, anxiety and stress? How to take care of children who suffer learning loss and less preventive care during the pandemic? A leader of public mental health discusses tips for coping, among them the steps to develop emotional intelligence and the need to practice self-care in order to be able to care for others.				
	Guest: Dr. Jorge Partida del Toro, Chief of Psychology, County of Los Angeles, Los Angeles, CA.				
2/12/2021					
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HEADLINE	Mexico Edition.				
PROGRAM	Mexican analysts report and comment on headline news developments around the country, including the ramp up of the Covid vaccination plan and the efforts to help Mexican emigres to register to vote for the Midterm elections in June, including nine governorships and a migrant legislator in Mexico City.				
	Guests: Brenda Mora, Advisor, Electoral of Zacatecas; Paco Moreno, Activist for the right to vote in the exterior, Los Angeles, CA; Dr. Magdaleno Manzanares, Vice President of External Affairs, Western New Mexico University, Silver City, NM; Dr. Julieta Altamirano Crosby, Co-Founder and President, The WAGRO Foundation, Seattle, WA				

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2/15/2021					
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HEADLINE	Senate Acquits Trump.				
PROGRAM	<p>The US Senate voted to acquit former President Trump of inciting an insurrection, with seven Republicans voting to convict, the most bipartisan impeachment trial in history. GOP Rep. Jaime Herrera Beutler's testimony about when Trump first learned about the riot and what he has done about it was included at the last minute, and after voting to acquit Trump, McConnell denounced him as responsible for the riot. A reporter brings details about the proceedings and a legal analyst gives his perspective about the ramifications of this process and the upcoming legal battles of the former president.</p> <p>Guests: José López Zamorano, Reporter, Washington, DC; Juan Cartagena, President & General Counsel, LatinoJustice – PRLDEF, New York, NY</p> <p>Georgia Investigates Trump. While acquitted by the US Senate, Trump still faces other probes on electoral fraud and inciting to violence. A prosecutor in Atlanta has opened a criminal investigation into Trump's attempts to overturn the results of Georgia's 2020 election. Georgia is the second state where Trump faces criminal charges. A correspondent reports about the investigation, including acts of suspected election fraud, conspiracy, and racketeering, and the prosecutor in charge.</p> <p>Guest: Gerardo Guzmán, News Director, Hispanic News Service, Atlanta, GA</p>				
2/16/2021					
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HEADLINE	Extra Edition.				
PROGRAM	<p>California grower and farmworker groups are asking the state and federal government to increase the number of Covid-19 vaccine doses to rural counties in order to distribute them to farmworkers and other essential workers in the food sector.</p> <p>Guest: State Sen. Melissa Hurtado, D-Sanger, Sacramento, CA; Hugo Morales, Executive Director, Radio Bilingüe , Fresno, CA; Maria Eraña, Directora de Operaciones, Fresno, CA; Grace Solis, Ciudadana preocupada, Fresno, CA</p>				
2/16/2021					
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HEADLINE	Immigration Edition.				
PROGRAM	<p>After President Biden ordered a deportation moratorium, ICE continued abusing and deporting migrants, according to advocates. Are these acts of defiance by "rogue agents"? What's the role of the Border Patrol union? How to eradicate the culture of racism within the agency? Also, in Colorado, stating that immigrant families at risk of the pandemic distrust local government agencies, legislators are introducing a bill seeking to limit the personal identifying information that can be shared with ICE and federal agencies. Finally, the Biden administration gave the first steps to wind down the "Remain in Mexico" policy and will start processing people who have already been enrolled in the program. An advocate applauds the new action while asking to expand it to those who were not able to attend court hearings or are under appeal and urging the Biden administration to end the practice of expelling migrants without due process using Title 42, a public health emergency measure introduced by Trump. He also comments on the naming of Sen. Alex Padilla to the Senate's Subcommittee on Immigration.</p> <p>Guests: Larry Kleinman, Political Analyst, KTUP Radio/PCUN, Woodburn, OR; Efrén Olivares, Deputy Legal Director, Immigrant Justice Project, Southern Poverty Law Center, McAllen, TX; Siena Mann, Organizing and Campaigns Manager, Colorado Immigrant Rights Coalition, Denver, CO; (Audio Segment) Mercedes Garcia, Undocumented Mother, Denver, CO.</p>				

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2/17/2021					
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HEADLINE	Cleaner Cars.				
PROGRAM	<p>Environmental justice groups are calling on the Biden-Harris administration to take swift action on tailpipe pollution in communities of color. Latinos and Blacks live in neighborhoods next to highways and in “diesel death zones,” and toxic pollution from cars and trucks takes the lives of many in those communities. They propose investing in zero-emission transportation to holistically address environmental racism.</p> <p>Guest: Andrea Marpillero-Colomina, Clean Transportation Advocate, GreenLatinos, New York, NY.</p> <p>Unemployed and Burned Out. Millions of people across the country are out of work and many without access to relief. Families are struggling to make ends meet. A distinguished financial analyst provides financial planning advice for workers who have lost their jobs and are going through financial stress and hardship.</p> <p>Guest: Louis Barajas, Certified Financial Planner, Author, Book: “Agotado, Agobiado y Mal Pagado,” Los Angeles, CA</p>				
2/18/2021					
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HEADLINE	Extra Edition.				
PROGRAM	<p>The coronavirus pandemic continues to ravage the lives of people in California’s rural agricultural areas. Low income rural communities are among the hardest hit. Guest analysts and local officials report on pandemic relief available for workers in California’s farming valleys, including food assistance, rent relief, unemployment benefits, small business loans, access to Covid testing, and mental health support.</p> <p>Guests: Sebastián Sánchez, Associate Secretary for Farmworker Liaison and Immigrant Services, Labor Workforce Development Agency, Los Angeles, CA; Ellie Bojorquez, Public Health Project Specialist, Kern County Public Health Services, Bakersfield, CA; Rey Leon, Mayor, Huron, CA</p>				
2/18/2021					
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HEADLINE	Vaccines for All?				
PROGRAM	<p>President Biden announces the US will have vaccines for 300 million people by July and the injections will be expedited. Will people show up to get the doses into their arms? In this program, a vaccine analyst discusses common concerns that make people weary of the vaccine. Are the vaccines safe? Are they effective against the new variants? How long does immunity last? What’s the herd immunity threshold?</p> <p>Guest: Arthur Allen, Editor, California Healthline, Kaiser Health News, Author of the book “Vaccine: The Controversial Story of Medicine’s Greatest Lifesaver,” Washington, DC.</p> <p>Protecting the Most at Risk. Warning that Internet access, transportation and long wait times may discourage many to get care to protect themselves from Covid-19, a congress member from California is calling on federal authorities and state governors to set new guidance and find new ways to get the vaccine to frontline workers, including food and farm workers. Also, in California, the city of Coachella is considering “hero pay” of an additional \$4 an hour for farmworkers and other essential workers, a first in the nation.</p> <p>Guest: Rep. Raul Ruiz, D-Coachella, Washington, DC (TBC); Steven Hernández, Mayor, Coachella, CA (TBC)</p> <p>The Looming Threat of Eviction. Housing advocates say millions of people could be evicted from their homes despite President Biden’s order extending federal protections for renters. Because of loopholes in the executive order, the system is filled with traps for the average tenant, they warn.</p> <p>Guest: National Housing Law Project.</p>				

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2/19/2021					
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HEADLINE	Mexico Edition.				
PROGRAM	Mexican analysts report and comment on headline news developments around the country, including the ramp up of the Covid vaccination plan.				
2/22/2021					
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HEADLINE	Texas Storm, Blackouts.				
PROGRAM	<p>Millions in Texas were left without power and drinking water as the brutal winter weather continues hitting the region. A number of people have died from the extreme cold and carbon monoxide poisoning. Black and Latino neighborhoods, including Colonia communities along the border, are among the hardest hit. How are Texas winter storm victims being helped? Why did the power grid collapse in Texas?</p> <p>Guests: Lina Hidalgo, Chief Executive Officer, Harris County, Houston, TX (TBC); Antonieta Cádiz, Spokesperson, Climate Power 2020, Houston, TX (TBC).</p> <p>Promising Covid Treatment. A new treatment for Covid-19 patients is showing promise. Infusion of monoclonal antibodies therapy to high-risk adults has prevented severe illness among residents in the Bronx, possibly saving lives. A top US scientist and adviser to Biden encourages high-risk Covid patients to learn about it. What are the outcomes of the clinical trials and who is getting the treatment?</p> <p>Guest: Edwin Torres Rodriguez, Community Health and Family Nurse Practitioner, Montefiore Medical Center, Bronx, NY; Others TBA.</p>				
2/23/2021					
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HEADLINE	Extra Edition.				
PROGRAM	<p>The extreme cold weather and power and water failures in Texas has brought a major humanitarian crisis. In the deep freeze, thousands along the border are struggling with lack of shelter, electricity and running water. How can you help? Colleagues from sister stations and community groups in Texas report on efforts to get food, clothes, blankets, water and other emergency supplies to the victims of the disaster.</p> <p>Guests: Lilian Elvir, Board Member, Living Hope Wheelchair Association, Houston, TX; Tomas Aguilar, Disaster Recovery Coordinator, Living Hope Wheelchair Association, Houston, TX; Claudia Muñoz, Executive Director, Grassroots Leadership, Austin, TX</p>				
2/23/2021					
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HEADLINE	Immigration Edition.				
PROGRAM	<p>A new immigration bill backed by President Biden was introduced in Congress by a group of Democratic lawmakers. The plan includes an eighth-year path to citizenship for millions of immigrants and three years for others. California Sen. Alex Padilla, the incoming immigration leader in the Senate, joins this program to explain the plans to path forward for the new bill. Other members of Congress comment on the content of the larger bill and other immigration measures.</p> <p>Guests: Sen. Alex Padilla, D-CA, Chair, Subcommittee on Immigration, Citizenship and Border Safety, US Senate, Washington, DC; Rep. Salud Carbajal, D-CA, Santa Barbara, CA</p>				

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2/24/2021					
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HEADLINE	9/11-Style Commission.				
PROGRAM	<p>After Trump was acquitted by the Senate, the House is considering legislation to form a "9/11 commission" to investigate Jan 6 violent attack on the nation's Capitol. At the same time, Democratic senators are calling for the Department of Defense to investigate white supremacy and extremist ideology in the ranks of the military after revelations that several of the insurrectionists who attacked the Capitol have been identified as active duty servicemembers. Also, President Biden is scheduled to deliver his first State of the Union address the night before.</p> <p>Guests: US Sen. Martin Heinrich, D-NM, Washington, DC (TBC); Others TBA.</p> <p>Family of Mentally-Ill Patient Seeks Justice. The family of a Pennsylvania man killed by the police after the family called for help during a mental health episode is filing a wrongful death suit against Lancaster police and authorities.</p> <p>Guest: Miguelina Peña, Mother of Victim Ricardo Muñoz, Lancaster, PA. (TBC)</p>				
2/25/2021					
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HEADLINE	Extra Edition.				
PROGRAM	<p>Undocumented disabled people face the same issues as any other disabled person, but their challenges are compounded by isolation, segregation, and fear. Many fear deportation and do not call authorities or social agencies when in critical need. An advocate discusses the issues, including discrimination during the coronavirus pandemic, talks about the barriers, and clarifies the rights of disabled people. Also, incidents and violence and harassment against Asian Americans are on the rise amid pandemic. What's behind the attacks? Hatred and bigotry? Civil rights groups demand action.</p>				
2/25/2021					
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HEADLINE	New Stimulus Bill.				
PROGRAM	<p>A House committee released the Democrats' Covid-19 relief plan and the full House is expected to vote on it this week. One element of the plan continues being contentious: raising the federal minimum wage to \$15 an hour. What's in the bill and what's out? At the same time, US Sen. Catherine Cortez Masto is reintroducing a bill that would protect millions of unemployed workers from losing their health insurance during the pandemic.</p> <p>Guests: Rep. Salud Carbajal, D-Santa Barbara, Santa Barbara, CA; Others TBA.</p> <p>Vaccine for Frontline Workers. A California state legislator talks about a legislation and calls from rural lawmakers on the governor to prioritize distribution of Covid vaccines and rapid tests among farm and food workers. He is also urging authorities to reach out to those workers in their language.</p> <p>Guest: Assemblyman Eduardo Garcia, D-Coachella, Sacramento, CA.</p>				
2/26/2021					
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HEADLINE	Mexico Edition.				
PROGRAM	<p>Mexican analysts report and comment on headline news developments around the country and the region. Amid corruption scandals and the ending of Trump era agreements with El Salvador and other Central American countries on asylum, Salvadorans go to the polls to elect a new Congress. On other news, Mexico is being hit by rolling blackouts, after one of the worst energy crises in Texas. These and other topics are discussed in this edition.</p>				

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3/1/2021					
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HEADLINE	Elections in El Salvador.				
PROGRAM	Sunday's legislative elections in El Salvador gravitate around the current president, businessman Nayib Bukele, a popular hard-right figure who once led a military assault on the legislature and is called the Trump of Central America. What's the impact of the election results on El Salvador's relations with the US and Mexico? Guests analysts provide news and analysis. News on the confirmation vote for the remaining Latino nominees to Biden's cabinet, and the latest news on the third stimulus bill are also discussed in this edition.				
	Guests: Leonel Herrera, President, ARPAS Community Radio Network, San Salvador, ES; Oscar Chacón, Executive Director, Alianza Américas, Chicago, IL; Others TBA.				
3/2/2021					
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HEADLINE	Extra Edition.				
PROGRAM	A state bill in California would allow undocumented residents and DACA and TPS recipients to apply for the state-funded food assistance program. Those who farm and process the food for California will be able to feed their own families. Also, a civil-rights bill to ban discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity, and create federal protections for LGBTQ people, has been passed by the US House. It's future in the Senate is uncertain.				
	Guests: Betzabel Estudillo, Senior Advocate, Nourish California, Los Angeles, CA; Others TBA.				
3/2/2021					
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HEADLINE	Immigration Edition.				
PROGRAM	A group of Democratic members of Congress introduced the Citizenship for Essential Workers Act, a legislation that would create a fast-track path to citizenship for over five million essential workers, including workers in health care, agriculture, meatpacking and public transit. On other news, the number of migrants and unaccompanied minors in federal custody has multiplied along the border. Officials reopened an overflow shelter in Texas to house them. Advocacy groups urged the Biden administration to allocate more resources to the border and close the shelters. They also urge to expand TPS to the victims of the recent hurricanes.				
	Guests: Lariza Dugan-Cuadra, Executive Director of CARECEN SF, San Francisco, CA; Juliana Cabrales, Director of Civic Engagement – Programs & Mid-Atlantic, NALEO Education Fund, Raleigh, NC; Rachel Micah-Jones, attorney and the Founder and Executive Director, Centro de los Derechos Migrante (CDM)				
3/3/2021					
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HEADLINE	No Water for One Million Texans.				
PROGRAM	The power is back across Texas after the winter storms, but about a million residents, especially in small towns, are still without drinking water. Fixing the broken pipes and flooded homes will cost billions. Who will be responsible for the power and water outages? What emergency assistance is available? Also, a climate expert discusses the impact of global warming on this kind of extreme storms				
	Guests: Lina Hidalgo, Chief Executive Officer, Harris County, Houston, TX (TBC); Antonieta Cádiz, Spokesperson, Climate Power 2020, Houston, TX (TBC).				
	Saving Neighborhood Taquerías. A plan to establish a multi-billion revitalization fund to support independent restaurants and small franchisees on the verge of closing because of the Covid-19 crisis is being proposed in Congress. The fund would bring retroactive relief to hard-hit neighborhood restaurants or bars.				
	Guest: US Sen. Martin Heinrich, D-NM, Washington, DC (TBC).				

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3/4/2021					
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HEADLINE	Extra Edition.				
PROGRAM	California is releasing stimulus checks to undocumented households affected by the coronavirus pandemic. How to qualify? On another news, a Fresno City Councilmember is introducing today a proposed ordinance to pay a hazard bonus to grocery workers who are at risk of coronavirus infection.				
3/4/2021					
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HEADLINE	Third Stimulus Bill Moves Forward.				
PROGRAM	Democrats in Congress are advancing a sweeping pandemic relief package that would provide billions of dollars for the unemployed, struggling families and businesses, schools, and the distribution and deployment of coronavirus vaccines. Facing a strong opposition from Republicans, Democrats are aiming to pass the aid package using a fast-track budget procedure known as reconciliation. What's in the bill? On more news, a federal judge in Texas ruled the national eviction moratorium unconstitutional.				
3/5/2021					
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HEADLINE	Mexico Edition.				
PROGRAM	<p>For the first time, Mexican emigres from the state of Guerrero will be able to vote this year for state governor, but few know about it. Election officials are reaching out to get thousands of eligible voters to register by next week. Also, the father of two young musicians slain in Mexico is seeking help from the US and Mexican government to get to the bottom of the case. He also talks about his dream of establishing an endowment in memory of his late sons to help disadvantaged kids to pursue a career in music. Finally, a well-known US journalist talks about his new book, a collection of articles on major news developments in Latin America during the last decade, including the rise of Donald Trump and like-minded right-wing populists in Latin America, and the ups and downs of the Democratic left.</p> <p>Guests: Vicenta Molina Revuelta, President, Special Commission for the Vote of Guerrero Citizens Living Abroad, Electoral and Citizen Participation Institute of the State of Guerrero; Fernando Eloy Baños, Master Musician, Father of Artists Slain in Mexico, Bakersfield, CA; (Recorded Interview) Jon Lee Anderson, Investigative Journalist and Writer, Author of "Los Años de la Espiral," Mexico City.</p>				

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3/8/2021					
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HEADLINE	Covid: New Variants, Antibody Treatment.				
PROGRAM	<p>While on the Covid front there are less cases, less deaths and more vaccines, a medical expert warns on the serious threats of the new coronavirus variants, what they mean for the virus testing, the new protective measures to follow and the impact on states that are easing restrictions. He also comments on the new antibodies treatment to prevent a severe case of the disease. Finally, he reacts to the new CDC guidelines, released today, that allow certain gatherings for fully-vaccinated people.</p> <p>Guest: Dr. José Torradas, National Spokesperson, American College of Emergency Physicians, Philadelphia, PA.</p> <p>California School Reopening. California's public schools may return to in-person instruction by the end of March, according to a new agreement between Gov. Gavin Newsom and the state's legislature. The agreement sets aside \$6.6 billion for schools that return to optional in-person instruction by March 31. Most public school classes have not been held in-person since March of last year because of the coronavirus. The debate on the best way to return students and staff to the classroom continues. A state legislator comments on this debate and the formula to provide funding incentives.</p> <p>Guest: California State Assemblyman Eduardo García, D-Coachella, Sacramento, CA.</p> <p>Farm Workers Pay and Safety. In Washington's Yakima Valley, crowded fruit-packing houses were hit with a wave of Covid infection last summer, becoming a hotspot with the highest case numbers in the state. Workers at several plants went on strike demanding safety measures and hazard pay. A fellow correspondent reports on the ongoing packing house worker efforts to get unionized and on the headwinds faced in Washington State's legislature by a bill to extend overtime pay rights to all farm workers.</p> <p>Guest: Francisco Ríos, News Director, KDNA, Granger, WA.</p>				
3/9/2021					
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HEADLINE	Extra Edition: Covid Vaccines.				
PROGRAM	<p>The third Covid-19 shot authorized for use in the US, is being administered this week. A medical expert talks about the progress of the Covid vaccination campaign, vaccination eligibility measures, the debate between equity and efficiency, common side effects of the vaccine, getting infected with Covid after being vaccinated, the new CDC guidelines about gatherings for fully vaccinated people, and more.</p> <p>Guest: Dr. Alicia Fernández, Professor of Medicine, University of California San Francisco, General Internist, San Francisco General Hospital, San Francisco, CA.</p>				
3/9/2021					
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HEADLINE	Immigration Edition.				
PROGRAM	<p>This week, Democratic congress members reintroduced HR 6, the American Dream and Promise Act, to enable Dreamers and TPS recipients to earn permanent residence and citizenship. Earlier, Sen. Alex Padilla announced a bill that would provide millions of essential workers and their families a path to citizenship. Last month, the Citizenship Act of 2021, a Biden-Harris administration backed plan was introduced in Congress. The co-author of the big immigratin reform bill explains the road ahead for immigration reform. A legal and political analyst tlks about the scenarios to get reform done in Congress and the impact of filibuster on immigration reform. Also, a Dreamer activist from Venezuela talks about the granting of TPS protection for Venezuelans, and the dismissal of the "public charge" rule case at the request of the Biden administration.</p> <p>Guests: Rep. Linda Sánchez, D-CA, Co-Sponsor of the Citizenship Act of 2021, Washington, DC; Ariadna Rentería, Executive Director, Immigrant Legal Services of the Central Coast, Watsonville, CA; Juan Escalante, Digital Campaigns Manager, FWD.us, Washington, DC.</p>				

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3/10/2021					
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HEADLINE	The New Stimulus Bill.				
PROGRAM	As benefits for millions of unemployed workers come to an end and many struggle to pay for basic living expenses, Congress rushes to pass Biden's stimulus bill. What's in the package? Who can expect to get help? Analysts discuss the final details of the bill. They also comment on Becerra's confirmation vote as health secretary and other news from Washington. Also, a California state lawmaker discusses California stimulus checks for undocumented households and the rise of hate crimes against Asian Americans.				
	Guest: California State Assemblyman Miguel Santiago, D-Los Angeles, Sacramento, CA.				
3/11/2021					
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HEADLINE	Extra Edition – Domestic Abuse Pandemic.				
PROGRAM	Domestic abuse has spiked since the start of the Covid pandemic in January 2020. Quarantine-linked domestic violence is the "shadow pandemic," with communities of color affected the most, because they have lower income and less access to social services. What to know about domestic violence during the pandemic?				
	Guests: Mujeres Unidas y Activas.				
	Attacks against Asian Americans. Incidents of violence, harassment and discrimination against Asian Americans are on the rise amid the pandemic. What's behind the attacks? Hatred and bigotry? Civil rights groups demand action.				
	Guests: Robin Toma, Executive Director, Los Angeles Commission on Human Relations, County of Los Angeles, Los Angeles, CA.				
3/11/2021					
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HEADLINE	Voting Rights on the Front Burner.				
PROGRAM	The House passed H.R. 1, also known as the "For the People Act," a sweeping anti-corruption and voting rights reform bill announced as the largest overhaul of U.S. election law in a generation. The future of the bill in the Senate is bleak. The vote comes as Republican-controlled state legislatures work on more than 250 measures in 43 states to restrict voting rights. Analysts examine the road ahead.				
	"Language in the Trump Era." Trump used language in a polarizing rhetorical style that alarmed many and excited his followers, leading his followers into an alternate reality, sowing political conflict and further dividing the nation along racial, gender, and class lines. A language scholar who studied Trump's language behavior talks about the meaning and consequences of Trump's boasts, banter and mockery of individuals and communities.				
	Guests: Norma Mendoza-Denton, a professor of anthropology at the University of California, Los Angeles, and an author of "Language in the Trump Era: Scandals and Emergencies, Los Angeles, CA.				

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3/12/2021					
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HEADLINE	Mexico Edition.				
PROGRAM	<p>This is the debut of "RompeLínea," a special broadcast launched in partnership with Rompeviento TV, an online TV channel based in Mexico City. The series seeks to establish a weekly dialogue across the border with the spokesperson of Mexican President López Obrador to discuss stories and matters relevant to Mexican emigres living in the US. In addition, Mexican analysts report and comment on headline news developments around the country and the region.</p> <p>Guests: Jesús Ramírez Cuevas, Coordinador General de Comunicación Social y Vocero del Gobierno de la República de México, Mexico City; Ernesto Ledesma, Executive Director, Rompeviento TV, Mexico City; Others TBA.</p>				
3/15/2021					
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HEADLINE	"Language in the Trump Era."				
PROGRAM	<p>Trump used language in a polarizing rhetorical style that alarmed many and excited his followers, leading his followers into an alternate reality, sowing political conflict and further dividing the nation along racial, gender, and class lines. A language scholar who studied Trump's language behavior talks about the meaning and consequences of Trump's boasts, banter and mockery of individuals and communities.</p> <p>Guests: Norma Mendoza-Denton, a professor of anthropology at the University of California, Los Angeles, and an author of "Language in the Trump Era: Scandals and Emergencies, Los Angeles, CA.</p> <p>Covid Ravaging Latinos. The Covid-19 pandemic has left no community untouched in California, but none has been hit as hard as Latinos. The virus surge during the summer and winter swept entire communities and Latinos have suffered an overwhelming loss of life. Are Latinos been given due priority for vaccination and testing and health care? Are they included in California's recovery plans?</p> <p>Guest: Dr. David Hayes-Bautista, Director, Center for the Study of Latino Health and Culture, School of Medicine, UCLA, Los Angeles, CA. (TBC)</p>				
3/16/2021					
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HEADLINE	Extra Edition: Reporting on a Covid-19 Hard-Hit Area.				
PROGRAM	<p>Because they make up the majority of low-wage essential workers and faced with lack of insurance, language barriers and discrimination, Latinos and other communities of color in the San Joaquin Valley are the hardest hit by the coronavirus. In order to amplify their stories on how they navigate the challenges of schooling, health care, housing and jobs, media organizations from Fresno are joining forces. The Fresno Bee and Vida en el Valle, Valley Public Radio and Radio Bilingüe are launching the Central Valley Collaborative Lab to report on the impact of the pandemic in the valley's most ravaged communities.</p> <p>Guests: Rebecca Plevin, Central Valley Collaborative Project Manager, Fresno, CA; Madi Bolaños, Reporter, Valley Public Radio, Fresno, CA; Hugo Morales, Executive Director, Radio Bilingüe, Fresno, CA.</p>				

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3/16/2021					
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HEADLINE	Immigration Edition.				
PROGRAM	This week, the House of Representatives is expected to vote on the Dream and Promise Act (HR 6) and the Farm Work Modernization Act (HR 1603), and other immigration bills that could receive expedited process. A bigger bill, the US Citizenship Act of 2021 to legalize undocumented immigrants is also awaiting congressional action. What would it take to build bipartisan support? Can Congressional Democrats push a plan on their own?				
	Guests: Rev. Gabriel Salguero, Founder and President, National Latino Evangelical Coalition, Orlando, FL; Others TBA.				
3/17/2021					
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HEADLINE	Los San Patricio.				
PROGRAM	A documentary tells the story of the San Patricios, a battalion of mostly Irish immigrants who, during the US-Mexican War of 1846, deserted the US Army and fought on the Mexican side. They are now revered as heroes in Mexico and Ireland. This program features an archival interview with the filmmaker and songs from the album San Patricios, a collaboration that mixes folk music from Mexico and Ireland.				
	Guest: Mark Day, Journalist, Documentary Filmmaker, Los San Patricios; Others TBA.				
	Ethnic Studies for All. Connecticut has become the first state in the nation to require all high schools to offer courses on African-American, Black, Puerto Rican, and Latino studies, and California may become the first state in the nation to mandate them. A state bill currently in the legislature proposes to make ethnic studies a graduation requirement for every high-school student. Fresno Unified, the state's third largest district, plans to begin during this class 2021-22. This is a report on the cultural and political debate.				
	Guest: State Assemblymember José Medina, D-Riverside, Sacramento, CA (TBC).				
3/18/2021					
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HEADLINE	Extra Edition: "I Can't Breathe!"				
PROGRAM	Fresno cops suffocated to death an unarmed and handcuffed man while he cried: "I can't breathe!" as another Fresno cop was found to have links with the hate group Proud Boys. Meantime, in Pomona, a watchdog group released a first-of-its-kind report on racial profiling practices in local police, showing alarming trends in the arrests of young people and people of color. In response, local activists call for independent civilian boards and other police reforms.				
	Guests: Jesús Sánchez, Co-Founder and Executive Director, Gente Organizada, Pomona, CA; Dr. Bianca Haro, Sociology Professor, Pitzer College, Pomona, CA; Gloria Hernández, Police Reform Activist, Fresno, CA.				

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3/18/2021					
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HEADLINE	A Year of Covid.				
PROGRAM	<p>In March 2020, the WHO declared Covid-19 a global pandemic. Since then, the US has lost more than 530,000 and California more than 55,000 to the virus, with Latinos among the hardest hit. In this collaboration with California's Department of Public Health, experts talk about infection and testing rates among essential workers, travel guidance in anticipation of Spring Break, facts about the new one-shot vaccine and its effectiveness against the new variants, new findings about the "long haulers," and more. Additionally, a nurse reports on how her team was able to find a Covid-19 cluster of almost 40 farmworkers who were reluctant to take the test because of immigration fears.</p> <p>Finally, a news reporter talks about how California is playing catch up after initially leaving behind farm workers and other communities of color that are the hardest hit by the pandemic in the vaccination plans. California is now deploying mobile clinics and community outreach workers into hard-hit rural counties (Read the complete story here).</p> <p>Guests: Dr. Verónica Ramírez, MLK Jr Community Hospital, Los Angeles, CA; Irene de Barraicua, Public Relations Manager, Líderes Campesinas, Sacramento, CA; Dr. Margarita Loeza, Chief Medical Information Officer, Venice Family Clinic, Board Member Latinx Physicians of California, Los Angeles, CA; Nadia Lopez, Latino Communities Reporter, The Fresno Bee, Fresno, CA; Sandra Portillo, Nurse, Arroyo Grande, CA.</p>				
3/19/2021					
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HEADLINE	Mexico Edition.				
PROGRAM	Mexican analysts report and comment on headline news developments around the country and the region. Listeners on both sides of the US-Mexico border are invited to call in and participate.				
3/22/2021					
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HEADLINE	Extra Help for Housing.				
PROGRAM	<p>Due to job loss and financial hardships, about ten million households in the nation are behind on rent. Californians who are behind in rent and are at risk of eviction because of the pandemic can now apply for the California Rent Relief Program to help pay past due rents. Landlords and renters can now get help. The program was created by the Covid-19 Tenant Relief Act, announced as the strongest eviction protections in the nation.</p> <p>Guests: Lourdes Castro Ramírez, Secretary, California Business, Consumer Services and Housing Agency, Sacramento, CA. https://housing.ca.gov/covid_rr/index_esp.html</p> <p>Extra Help for Health Care. The recently-signed American Rescue Plan includes extra financial help for millions who lost their jobs and expands access to health insurance coverage through Covered CA and ACA marketplaces during the pandemic. The plan lowers premium costs and makes health care coverage more affordable. Who will qualify for the new financial help? When to enroll? Experts comment on this and on the confirmation of Xavier Becerra as health secretary, the first Latino in history to lead that department.</p> <p>Guests: Sinsi Hernández-Cancio, Vice President for Health Justice for the National Partnership for Women & Families, Washington, DC; Andrea Acevedo, Spokesperson, Department of Communications of Covered California, Sacramento, CA</p>				

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HEADLINE	Extra Edition: Alurista.				
PROGRAM	In this repeat program, the legendary Chicano poet Alurista talks about his book "Et tu... Raza?," the politics of bilingual education, and more. In the 1960s, Alurista's work gained national prominence, as a foremost poet and activist of the Chicano movement. This program was originally aired on Sept 17, 1997.				
	Guest: Alberto Baltazar Urista Heredia, "Alurista," Poet, San Diego, CA.				
3/23/2021					
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HEADLINE	Immigration Edition.				
PROGRAM	Two Maya-Ixil human rights leaders who were forced to flee Guatemala in 2019 after receiving death threats and applied for political asylum in El Paso, have been released from ICE detention. One is a survivor of an Army massacre and a key witness in the case against General Efraín Ríos Montt who was convicted of genocide. They tell their story with their lawyer, a renowned expert on political asylum. Also, after the House passed two bills giving Dreamers and farm workers a path to citizenship, advocates urge the Senate to remove harsh "secondary review" provisions that would ban applicants who as youth had run-ins with the law.				
	Guests: Gaspar Cobo and Francisco Chávez, Mayan Community Leaders and Asylum Applicants, El Paso, TX; Carlos Spector-Calderón, Immigration Attorney, Advisor for "Mexicanos en el Exilio," El Paso, TX; Juan Carlos Cerda, Director, Texas Business Immigration Coalition, Irving, TX.				
3/24/2021					
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HEADLINE	Federal Relief for Small Business.				
PROGRAM	Isabel Guzman has been confirmed as Administrator of the US Small Business Administration, a development hailed by Latino leaders as the pandemic is hard-hitting Latino small business. Experts comment about Guzman's experience leading California's response to the COVID-19 pandemic. They also comment on the provisions within the American Rescue Plan Act to help mom-and-pop businesses and neighborhood nonprofits to weather the pandemic, including Paycheck Protection Plan funds, federal and state small business loans and grants, and the "Community Navigator" pilot program.				
	California Relief for Small Business. California is making available billions of dollars in grants for small businesses whose economies have been devastated by the Covid-19 pandemic, yet few people know about this opportunity. A leading legislator wants to make sure small businesses and nonprofit institutions that are struggling to survive learn about the new recovery funds managed by the Office of the Small Business Advocate (CalOSBA) .				
	Guest: California State Senator, Anna Caballero, D-Salinas, Sacramento, CA.				
3/25/2021					
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HEADLINE	Extra Edition: "Why did Mexicans migrate North?"				
PROGRAM	The late scholar Rodolfo de la Garza searched for the answer to the question: "Why have Mexicans migrated to the US in such large numbers through the decades?" Is it only economic opportunities? Or were there other underlying reasons? Listeners call in and give diverse opinions on the subject, in this archival program originally aired on April 29, 1997.				
	Guest: Dr. Rodolfo de la Garza, Vice President, Tomas Rivera Institute, Political Science Professor at UT Austin, Austin, TX.				

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HEADLINE	Federal Relief for Immigrant Families.				
PROGRAM	<p>The American Rescue Plan is delivering life-saving relief to millions of working people and families around the country, including households with mixed immigration status who were left out of the first stimulus checks. Of special interest to low-income immigrant families are the one-year expansion of the Child Tax Credit for up to 3,600 dollars, the expansion of the Earned Income Tax Credit for workers without children, and the stimulus checks for mixed-status families. A legal adviser explains the federal benefits and the state aid for immigrants included in California's Golden State Stimulus package. A federal official also answers frequently asked questions about ITIN, the tax identification number used by those filing taxes without a social security number. This program also includes a field report on a door-to-door vaccination outreach effort in hard-to-reach rural neighborhoods in the San Joaquin Valley. This story is part of a series produced by the Central Valley News Collaborative.</p> <p>Guests: Noe Páramo, Co-Director, Sustainable Rural Communities Project, California Rural Legal Assistance Foundation, Modesto, CA; Irma Treviño, Communications and Liaison, Section 1, Internal Revenue Service, Harlingen, TX; Madi Bolaños, News Reporter, Valley Public Radio, Fresno, CA.</p>				
3/26/2021					
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HEADLINE	Mexico Edition.				
PROGRAM	<p>A Mexican writer and a leading activist comment on the federal bill to regulate Cannabis that passed the Mexican House. The bill would decriminalize recreational use of marijuana throughout Mexico. Guest analysts discuss the pros and cons of the initiative from a public health perspective. While they welcome the end of the policy of punishment and stigmatization and the opening of participation for the population of farmers, they expect a limited impact on the power of organized crime and on human rights.</p> <p>Guests: Javier Sicilia, Mexican poet, essayist, novelist, peace activist and journalist, Cuernavaca, México; Jorge Herrera, Co-founder, Instituto RIA, Mexico City, Mexico.</p>				
3/29/2021					
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HEADLINE	Justice in Policing.				
PROGRAM	<p>One year after the killing of Breonna Taylor by police at her home during a no-knock drug raid and on the heels of the House's George Floyd Justice in Policing Act, a House legislation announced to correct police abuse and racial inequity, an activist for criminal justice reform discusses the proposed reforms, urging the Senate to introduce additional deeper reforms. She also comments on the narrative around the drug war, and the rapidly changing drug policies around the country.</p> <p>Guest: Jeannette Zanipatin, JD, California State Director, Drug Policy Alliance, Los Angeles, CA</p> <p>Relief Plans and Mixed-Status Families. An immigrant advocate explains the expanded benefits included in the third federal relief package for families with mixed immigration status, including stimulus checks and tax credits for low-income taxpayers with ITIN fiscal identification. She also explains the California Golden State Stimulus package, and how to get California's relief checks and tax credits. Listeners call in to clarify qualifications.</p> <p>Guest: Jessica Huerta, Community Outreach Coordinator, Coalition for Humane Immigrant Rights-CHIRLA, Los Angeles, CA.</p>				

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HEADLINE	Extra Edition: Domestic Abuse Pandemic.				
PROGRAM	Domestic abuse has spiked since the start of the Covid pandemic in January 2020. Quarantine-linked domestic violence is the “shadow pandemic,” with communities of color affected the most, because they have lower income and less access to social services. What to know about domestic violence during the pandemic? This is a repeat interview.				
	Guests: María de Jesús Jiménez, Support Services Program Director, Mujeres Unidas y Activas, San Francisco, CA.				
	Attacks against Asian Americans. Incidents of violence, harassment and discrimination against Asian Americans are on the rise amid the pandemic. What’s behind the attacks? Hatred and bigotry? Civil rights groups demand urgent action. This program was originally aired two weeks ago.				
	Guests: Robin Toma, Executive Director, Los Angeles Commission on Human Relations, County of Los Angeles, Los Angeles, CA.				
3/30/2021					
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HEADLINE	Immigration Edition.				
PROGRAM	President Biden announced new immigration policies and actions during his first 100 days as president. An immigration law expert comments about the progress and challenges of those plans to reform the immigration system. On other news, a group of women sanctuary leaders is suing ICE for excessive civil fines imposed as a result of challenging their deportation orders and taking refuge in sanctuary churches around the country. Two of the plaintiffs comment on their days in sanctuary and on the content of the lawsuit.				
	Guests: Rosalba Piña, Immigration Attorney, Chicago, IL; Vicky Chavez, First Unitarian Church, Salt Lake City, UT; Edith Espinal, Columbus Mennonite Church, Columbus, OH				
3/31/2021					
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HEADLINE	César Chávez Day.				
PROGRAM	On this national holiday celebrating the birth and legacy of the civil rights and labor leader César Chávez, farm worker leaders comment on this day. A top farm labor leader discusses the Farm Workforce Modernization Act, and the efforts to get enough votes in support in the Senate, and the vaccination drive for farm workers at the 40 acres, the UFW historic headquarters, with the presence of First Lady Jill Biden. Also, Colorado immigrant advocates discuss the plight of farmworkers in this state of the Rocky Mountains and Colorado's Agricultural Workers' Rights bill, which would ensure farm workers rights to organize, enjoy minimum wage pay, health and safety standards, and other basic protections in the state.				
	Guests: Teresa Romero, National President, United Farm Workers of America, Bakersfield, CA; Ricardo Pérez, Executive Director, Hispanic Affairs Project Of Western Colorado, Montrose, CO; Nayda Benítez, South Regional Organizer, Colorado Immigrant Rights Coalition, Colorado Springs, CO.				