

KFSN-TV QUARTERLY ISSUES/PROGRAMS REPORT
4TH QUARTER 2012

From October 1, 2012, through and including December 31, 2012, KFSN-TV, Licensed In Fresno, California; broadcasts in Digital/HD, presented **38.5** hours of regularly scheduled Local News Programs a week, and in addition, broadcasts a Bi-Monthly Half-Hour Public Affairs Program entitled "Valley Focus." This program is hosted by Action News Anchor Margot Kim, and is a Local Talk/Interview Program dealing exclusively with Issues and Local Affairs. KFSN also produces a Bi-Monthly half-hour program entitled "Latino Life" hosted by Action News Anchor Graciela Moreno, a Talk Interview Program that focuses on issues affecting the Latino community. It also highlights positive contributions Latinos are making in the valley. KFSN-TV airs syndication programming that includes Children's Core Programming as described in the Children's 398 Report which is filed separately in The Public Inspection File. The ABC Television Network supplies the station with News and Public Interest, as described in the Quarter Report entitled: ABC Television Network News and Public Affairs Programming, which is also filed separately in the Public Inspection File.

On 30.2/30.3 ABC30's sub-channels, KFSN broadcasts the Live Well Network that consists of programs entitled Motion; Mirror, Mirror; Let's Dish; Home with Lisa Quinn; Mexico: One Plate at a Time; Deals; and My Family Recipe Rocks!; along with others. KFSN-TV's D2/Live Well Network HD Signal carries Public Service Announcements and Children's Core Programming as described in the Children's 398 Report. KFSN-TV's D3 Signal simulcasts the Live Well Network in SD.

KFSN, through its Programming on 30.1/HD, addressed the following Issues Of Concern for communities that make up the six-county area served by ABC-30: Fresno, Merced, Tulare, Kings, Madera and Mariposa:

1. LOCAL GOVERNMENT/CITY HALL
2. VOTE/ELECTION 2012
3. PUBLIC SAFETY/CRIME
4. HEALTH CARE ISSUES FOR THE VALLEY
5. EDUCATIONAL ISSUES IN THE VALLEY
6. ECONOMICS: JOB MARKET & HOMELESSNESS IN THE CENTRAL VALLEY
6. MINORITY/CULTURAL TOPICS FOR THE CENTRAL VALLEY

Programs, program segments, and local newscasts broadcast by KFSN that provided significant treatment of the previously described issues of concern. Local news programs include:

ACTION NEWS

On April 23, 2007, ABC30/D1 began broadcasting our newscasts in High Definition. The following are KFSN Local Newscasts:

ACTION NEWS AM LIVE

Monday through Friday, 4:30-7:00AM, 2 ½ Hours, Local

This Morning News Program Provides Viewers with Late-Breaking Local, National, and International News, Sports, Weather, Medical, Financial, Ag Reports and Consumer Reports.

AM LIVE SATURDAY

Saturdays, 6-7AM & 8-9AM, 2 Hours, Local

This Morning News Program Provides Viewers with Late-Breaking Local, National, and International News, Sports, Weather, Consumer, Medical Reports Along With Entertainment News, Juanita Stevenson presents "Valley Works", a segment on finding employment in the Central Valley.

AM LIVE SUNDAY

Sundays, 6-7AM & 8-9AM, 2 Hours, Local

This Morning News Program Provides Viewers with Late-Breaking Local, National, and International News, Sports, Weather, Consumer and Medical Reports Along With Entertainment News.

ACTION NEWS MIDDAY

Monday through Friday, 11:00AM-11:30AM, 30 Min., Local

Up-To-Date Local News Coverage Is Offered, As Well As National and International News. Also Included Are Medical, Consumer, And Financial Reports.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT FOUR

Monday through Friday, 4:00-5:00PM, 1 Hour, Local

This hour-long news programs brings up-to-date local news, weather and National News. Also includes consumer stories that will save time and money and "Simple Solutions," tips for making everyday life a little easier. Other features include entertainment and beauty segments from our Live Well Network.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT FIVE

Monday through Friday, 5:00-5:30PM, 30 Min., Local

This Half-Hour News Program Reviews The Day's News Events, Local, National, And International. Also Covered Are Sports And Weather. Included Are Medical, Education, And Consumer Reports.

ACTION NEWS AT SIX

Monday through Sunday, 6:00-6:30PM, 30 Min., Local

This Half-Hour News Program Reviews The Day's News Events, Local, National, And International. Also Covered Are Weather And Sports. Friday's Newscast Features The Action News Person Of The Week.

ACTION NEWS AT SIX-THIRTY

Monday through Friday, 6:30PM, 30 Min., Local

This Half-Hour News Program Reviews the Day's News Events, Local, National, and International News. It Also Covers Weather. On Mondays, Juanita Stevenson presents "Valley Works", a segment on finding employment in the Central Valley.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT ELEVEN

Monday through Sunday, 11:00-11:35PM, 35 Min., Local

This Half-Hour News Program Reviews The Day's News Events, Local, National, And International. Also Covered Are Sports And Weather; Consumer Reports Are Included.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT ELEVEN (REPEAT)

Monday through Friday, 2:05-2:41AM., Local

This Half-Hour News Programs Are A Repeat of the Earlier 11PM Newscast from That Day. It Includes Local, National and International News.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS

LATINO LIFE

Sundays, 10:00-10:30AM. :30 Min, Local (Bi-Monthly)

Half-Hour Weekly Local/Talk Interview Program That Focuses On Issues Affecting The Latino Community. It Also Highlights Positive Contributions Latinos Are Making In The Valley.

VALLEY FOCUS

Sundays, 10:00-10:30AM, 30 Min., Local/Public Affairs (Bi-Monthly)

Half-Hour Weekly Local Talk/Interview Program Dealing Exclusively With Issues and Local Affairs.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR :30 SECOND PSA (SEE ATTACHED)

Tuesday – Fridays

During Action News Am Live, Midday And Other Day Parts.

Thirty-Second PSA Featuring An Action News Anchor Delivering Information About Upcoming Events In Our Community.

CHILDREN FIRST

Children First Is a Year-Long production. This Year-Long Effort Focuses On The Challenges, Problems, And Opportunities Facing Children Living In Central California. The Program Concentrates On How The Average Person Can Make A Difference In A Child's Life And Highlights Local News Organizations That Work With Children And Youth. Children First Includes Local News Produced Half-Hour Programs, :30 Vignettes, Public Service Announcements, and Special Stories on Action News.

CHILDREN FIRST: THE DIGITAL FAMILY

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2012 @ 6:30PM,

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2012 @ 10:00AM.

Smartphones, iPads and social media! It's enough to give parents a high-tech headache. ABC30 has solutions to help you keep up with your kids. ABC30 aired a half-hour special, "Children First: The

Digital Family." Action News anchors Dale Yurong and Graciela Moreno hosted the program on Sunday, November 11 at 6:30 p.m.

Just because you're Facebook friends with your kids doesn't mean you see everything. Discover the hottest social media sites that kids, teens and college students are using. Check out the top 10 apps that help parents balance parenthood, work and home life. See the local high school where textbooks are out and iPads are in. Plus, three members of a digital family share their cool iPad tips for the entire family.

Need assistance with homework? We'll show parents and kids how to get free help over the phone or online and which apps to use. Meet our machine gun mommy! Watch what happens when she lets her 7-year-old son teach her how to play video games. Education experts explain why you shouldn't fear technology and instead, embrace it.

CHILDREN FIRST VIGNETTES/PSAs AIRED 4th Quarter 2012

Educational Employees Credit Union, Fresno County Office of Education and Children's Hospital Central California Partnered to Air These Children First PSAs and Vignettes In Rotation:

CHILDREN FIRST PARTNERS: HOMEWORK HELP :30 SEC (APRX. 13)

This spot gives websites to help with homework.

CHILDREN FIRST: CROSSWALK SAFETY :30 SEC (APRX. 219)

This spot focuses on crosswalk safety.

CHILDREN FIRST: FOSTER CARE :30 SEC, (APRX. 244)

CHILDREN FIRST: KIDS & DIVORCE :30 SEC., (APRX. 139)

This spot encourages families divorcing to talk about this with their children.

CHILDREN FIRST: SAFETY SEATS :30 SEC., (APRX. 142)

This spot talks about the importance of having your child ride in a proper car seat.

CHILDREN FIRST: THE DIGITAL FAMILY :30 SEC., (APRX. 11)

This spot lets viewers know about the upcoming half-hour special "The Digital Family".

CHILDREN FIRST: PARTNERS: 10PM ID (AIRS DAILY 10:00PM)

Voiceover that airs daily before 10PM that says: "It's just about 10 o'clock. Do you know where your children are?"

From October 1, through December 31, 2012, KFSN-TV Aired Approximately 1,012 Public Service Announcements (PSAs) Along with Community Involvement Project Spots that include, but are not limited to:

- ABC30/Hispanic Heritage Month
- ABC30/Marine Corps/United Way: Toys for Tots Drive
- ABC30/Marjaree Mason Center: Top Ten Professional Women & Business
- ABC30/Civil War Revisited & Camp Night

- ABC30/Big Fresno Fair Media Center
- Day of Caring: Hurricane Sandy Relief
- Community Calendar Events
- Ronald McDonald's Charity
- Fresno County District Attorney's Office: Drunk Driving Campaign
- Habitat for Humanity: Restore nonprofit
- Valley Air District: Healthy Air
- ABC30/Cat House on the Kings "Facebook Campaign"
- KIDDE Carbon Monoxide Detectors

LOCAL GOVERNMENT 4TH QUARTER 2012

LATINO LIFE, SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2012, 10AM, :30 MIN., LOCAL

Segment #2: Veterans in College - Services available at FCC for veterans and the special ceremony planned on campus. Guests: Mary Alfieris - FCC Veterans and Miguel Saldana - Veteran/Student

Veterans Day Ceremony
 Friday, November 9 - Noon
 Veterans Peace Memorial Fresno City College

VALLEY FOCUS, SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2012, :30 MIN., LOCAL

Segment #1: Check before you burn - you could pay a price for using your fireplace during no burn days. Guest: Jaime Holt - San Joaquin Air Pollution Control District

Wood-burning forecasts: www.valleyair.org 1-800-smog-info

ACTION NEWS 6PM, 10/18/2012, 1:42 MIN., LOCAL

The City Council approved seeking some changes to the High Speed Rail route through the city. The Public Works Department is asking for an underpass to be built at Ventura and G Street, and for an overpass to be built at Church and East. Both moves would ease traffic flow after the project is built, and during construction. Assistant Public Works Director Scott Mozier told the City Council the city had a second chance to ask for these changes because the High Speed Rail Authority changed the proposed rail alignment through Kings County and as a result had to reopen the whole stretch from Fresno to Bakersfield to comments and suggestions. The city is looking to lessen impacts on businesses, and to make the construction smoother and lessen the impacts on the community. One big problem for the city is Railroad Avenue. Under the plans the entire street and many of the businesses would be removed. The city is asking the authority to consider taking a little less property.

ACTION NEWS 10/22/2012, :33 SEC., LOCAL

After a nearly seven-year legal dispute, the city of Selma has reached a settlement over its groundwater. City leaders made the announcement at a news conference this morning. The consolidated irrigation district filed a lawsuit in 2006 after the city approved of a number of housing projects. The CID contended the conversion of agricultural land to residential development was having a negative impact on groundwater supplies and the city should help pay for additional

groundwater recharge facilities. By signing and implementing the agreement, the two sides are hoping to offset negative effects of the cities.

ACTION NEWS AM LIVE, 10/23/2012, :26 SEC., LOCAL

The city of Atwater is moving closer to balancing its budget. Atwater is facing a deficit of more than three million dollars. At last night's city council meeting, council members agreed to accept the Atwater Police Officers Association's offer to take a twenty-two percent pay cut. That alone would save the city about a half million dollars. Other public workers unions also agreed to take pay cuts and a total of fourteen city workers will be laid off. The interim city manager praised workers for their sacrifice.

ACTION NEWS 6PM, 10/23/2012, :28 SEC., LOCAL

The city of Fresno could soon have a new method of settling disputes between police officers and the public. Today Councilmember Larry Westerlund outlined a proposal for a new "Public Safety Mediation Program" modeled after a similar system in Denver, Colorado. The program would provide the city with an alternative complaint-handling process that would allow community members and officers to sit down face-to-face and discuss their issues with a professional mediator. Westerlund says right now between 80-90 complaints are sent to the internal affairs division each year and each case costs the city about a thousand dollars to investigate. So far the proposal has won support from Police Chief Jerry Dyer and Mayor Ashley Swearengin, but not everyone.

ACTION NEWS 5PM, 10/24/2012, 1:31 MIN., LOCAL

A council seat at Fresno City Hall is what they seek. Pat DiCicco and Steve Brandau are both bald with goatees, pro-business, and anti-tax crusaders. Pat DiCicco spent much of his life helping to run the family restaurants around the valley. Steve Brandau coordinates Central Valley Tea Party activities and owns a carpet cleaning business. While they may share some of the same political philosophies, Brandau says it's easy to distinguish between the two. Pat DiCicco says he has lived in District Two since 1968 and believes he knows how to get Fresno back on track. Not only are the signs in place, so are the supporters. DiCicco is endorsed by Fresno County Supervisor Susan Anderson and School Superintendent Larry Powell. Steve Brandau has the support of council members Lee Brand and Clint Olivier.

ACTION NEWS 5PM, 10/26/2012, 1:30 SEC., LOCAL

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ACTION NEWS 6PM, 10/30/2012, :26 SEC., LOCAL

City and county leaders are calling on the Fresno Teachers Association to resume talks with Fresno Unified over its grant application for "Race to the Top." If awarded the federal grant, the district would get nearly forty million dollars for early education. The deadline was extended when Hurricane Sandy hit the east coast, which is why Fresno Mayor Ashley Swearengin and council members Oliver Baines and Blong Xiong are urging the teacher's union to reconsider its position and return to the table to continue talks.

ACTION NEWS 6PM, 11/01/2012, :25 SEC. LOCAL

The future of development in downtown Fresno is in doubt tonight. The City Council today failed to approve spending more money to finish drawing up the plans to improve downtown and the Fulton Mall. The administration was hoping the council would approve spending nearly two hundred thousand dollars to finish the work left by a consultant who went out of business. Without the money the city's ambitious plans for downtown are on hold. But, the council will reconsider the matter.

ACTION NEWS 5PM 11/08/2012, :29 SEC., LOCAL

Fresno Mayor Ashley Swearengin's plans to revitalize downtown Fresno are back on track this evening after hitting a road block just last week. The Fresno City Council has approved plans to improve downtown and the Fulton Mall. Council members agreed this morning to negotiate consultant contracts totaling more than 700 thousand dollars to move the project forward. Last week, the council rejected the plan because of a request for additional money to pay for a federal environmental assessment.

ACTION NEWS 6PM, 11/08/2012, :30 SEC.. LOCAL

Residential trash pickup in the city of Fresno is in the process of going private. But before a solid waste service franchise can start doing business, the city needs to choose a bidder. On Thursday the council held a workshop to begin negotiating a contract. This starts the process with the four competitors. Allied Waste, Caglia Environmental, Mid Valley Disposal and Sunset Waste all submitted proposals. Representatives of some those trash hauling companies were on hand including Mid Valley Disposal which is being recommended to the council as the top choice by a consultant. They plan to offer employment to all displaced workers.

AM LIVE SUNDAY 6AM, 11/11/2012, :25 SEC..LOCAL

More bad news for the economy of Fresno. Fitch Ratings has downgraded the city's bonds from A-minus to Triple-B-Plus. The downgrade reflects concerns about the city's weak financial position. Fitch says it made the move because Fresno has minimal reserves, and because the city might bridge a small deficit by borrowing from its sewer fund.

ACTION NEWS 6PM, 11/20/2012, :33 SEC.. LOCAL

Police Chief Jerry Dyer has joined talks involving Fresno's residential solid waste collection. On Tuesday, city leaders laid out a worse-case scenario if the mayor's plan for privatization doesn't go as planned. The mayor is pushing to outsource trash pickup to a private hauler to save money and help with the budget gap. If the council rejects the plan, City leaders say they'll have to tap into the general fund which may force the police department to lay off officers through attrition. Opponents say that is just a scare tactic that will hurt city workers in the long-run. The council will hold a public hearing at City Hall next Thursday to discuss the issue.

AM LIVE 6AM, 11/27/2012, :35 SEC., LOCAL

Opponents of a plan to privatize residential trash service in the city of Fresno will come together to voice their concerns later this morning. Community leaders, advocacy groups and faith leaders will meet in front of Fresno City Hall at ten this morning. The city says privatizing trash pick-up would bring in about two and half million dollars each year in franchise fees paid to the city. Critics of the plan say that some 200 city workers could lose their jobs. The city council could vote on the proposal this Thursday.

ACTION NEWS AM LIVE, 11/29/2012, :27 SEC., LOCAL

MIDDAY, 11/29/2012, :27 SEC., LOCAL

The Fresno City Council is expected to approve a controversial plan to privatize the city's trash pick-up service today. The city says hiring a contractor to take over trash services will bring in about two and a half million dollars each year in franchise fees paid to the city. But critics of the plan worry that 200 city workers will lose their jobs and benefits. Today's city council meeting begins at five PM at City Hall in downtown Fresno.

ACTION NEWS 6PM, 11/29/2012, :25 SEC., LOCAL

Fresno City Hall will be operating with a new code of conduct during closed sessions. The city council adopted new guidelines today to protect confidential information after a potential leak from a closed-session meeting earlier this year. The city attorney's office began investigating potential violations of confidentiality among council members. Private discussions were not kept private and classified documents were not properly filed and destroyed.

ACTION NEWS AM LIVE, 11/30/2012, :20 SEC., LOCAL

ACTION NEWS MIDDAY, 11/30/2012, :20 SEC., LOCAL

ACTION NEWS 5PM, 11/30/2012, :20 SEC., LOCAL

The city of Fresno is one step closer to selling off the rights to residential waste pick up. In a 4-to-3 vote, the council approved a plan that would allow Mid-Valley Waste to take over garbage service in the city. The council heard more than three hours of public comment on both sides last night. The private company is estimating it would pay around 4 million annually in franchise fees.

Representatives for the city waste workers say despite the vote their fight is not over and Mayor Ashley Swarengin says the privatization will help Fresno's struggling budget. They also worked out a deal for the 159 affected employees to have a guaranteed job with the private company for a year.

ACTION NEWS AM LIVE, 12/07/2012, :28 SEC., LOCAL

The city of Madera is making history. For the first time, African Americans will serve on the city council. The new city council members were sworn into office last night. Also new for the city -- Voters agreed to allow re-districting, which means each area will have its own council member. And the mayor will now serve a full, four-year term instead of just one year. Seven people now represent the city and two of them have already created a day for the history books. The first order of business is to focus on volunteerism, neighborhood watch and the adopt-a-school program.

ACTION NEWS 6PM, 12/06/2012, :28 SEC., LOCAL

A developer with big plans is frustrated with Fresno City Hall tonight. Granville Homes wants to build a nearly five hundred acre development just west of the city. The "Westlake" project would include hundreds of homes along with businesses, a school, and a lake. The development would be located near Central High School between Shields and Grantland. Granville was hoping to get the project started one year ago, but has been waiting for the city to complete work on the environmental impact report.

ACTION NEWS 6PM, 12/13/2012, :30 SEC.LOCAL

Tonight will be the final vote to sell off the city's rights to collect residential solid waste. City officials expect to bring more than two million dollars a year by allowing a private company to haul away trash. The issue has been a controversial one. But Mayor Ashley Swarengin and City Manager Mark Scott say the move is needed to help pull the city out of its serious budget problems. The switch in trash haulers will also force the city to lay off about 160 employees.

ACTION NEWS 11PM, 12/14/2012, :25 SEC., LOCAL
AM LIVE SATURDAY, 6AM, 12/15/2012, :25 SEC., LOCAL

A cancelled vote is giving opponents of Fresno's garbage plan more time to fight. The Fresno city council was expected to vote last night to approve a plan to privatize residential garbage pick-up. But the vote was called off because only three of the seven council members were present. Council member Sal Quintero was among those absent. He opposes privatization and says a delay is giving the public more time to re-consider the deal.

<u>PSA TITLE</u>	<u>LENGTH</u>	<u>AIRING</u>
ESPN/FEMA PREPARE	:30	07
CHILDREN'S REPORTS LOCATION	:30	04

ELECTION/VOTE 2012 4TH QUARTER 2012

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 5PM, 10/19/2012, 32 SEC., LOCAL

The presidential candidates have the weekend to get ready for their next and final debate. Meanwhile, political experts say President Obama's fiery debate performance on Tuesday helped him raise a record amount of money the next day. And the Obama campaign confirms it had its single biggest fundraising day ever on Wednesday. That includes the 2008 presidential cycle. The campaign says it's not releasing the fundraising figures right now. Watch the final presidential debate on Monday right here on ABC30. Live coverage begins at 6 PM. We'll also carry the event live on our website at abc30.com.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 6PM, 10/19/2012, 1:06 MIN., LOCAL

Governor Brown has been on the campaign trail pushing his tax initiative, Proposition 30, to help fund California's public schools. Now a group from Arizona with conservative ties called Americans for Responsible Leadership has donated \$11 million dollars into a super Pac account belonging to small business action committee to help defeat Brown's measure. Brown says these out-of-state interests are hurting California's school children.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 11PM, 10/19/2012, :37 SEC., LOCAL

With less than three weeks to go until Election Day, the polls remain tight. The race is close in the popular vote but President Obama continues to have the advantage in some important battleground states including Ohio, Wisconsin, and Iowa. Voters in those states will likely decide the next president. Because of that, the President and Governor Romney hit the campaign trail today making stops in two other battleground states, Virginia and Florida. But the candidates will likely make very few appearances this weekend as they prepare for their third and final debate, focusing on foreign policy.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 11PM, 10/20/2012, :19 SEC., LOCAL

With just over two weeks until the election, the race for the White House is getting more intense by the day. As President Obama and Governor Mitt Romney prepare for Monday's crucial debate, poll numbers are sending mixed messages. But as ABC's Karen Travers reports, one thing is for sure: the race is close.

AM LIVE SUNDAY 6AM, 10/21/2012, :32 SEC., LOCAL

AM LIVE SUNDAY 8AM, 10/21/2012, :32 SEC., LOCAL

The final presidential debate and the November 6th election are just around the corner and the candidates are wasting no time. While former Massachusetts Governor Mitt Romney and President Obama prepare to go head-to-head in a debate, the vice presidential candidates took to the trail. Paul Ryan campaigned in Ohio and Pennsylvania. "We are not going to duck these tough issues we are going to run at our countries economic and fiscal problems before they get out of our control. That's what leaders do." Joe Biden spoke at a rally in Florida. "The American people want to depend on a president who says what he means and means what he says." In his weekly address, President Obama talked about his budget proposals to help economic recovery.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 11PM, 10/21/2012, 2:07 MIN., LOCAL

A new poll out tonight of those most likely to vote puts President Barack Obama and Mitt Romney in a tie. Tomorrow's debate will focus on foreign policy, something abc30's political analyst says will likely not determine what happens on election night unless there's a major blunder. The two men after America's top job will face off for the final debate in Florida Monday. ABC30 political analyst Tony Capozzi says the debate will focus on key international issues and topics that deal with how the world views the United States.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 11PM 10/21/2012, :20 SEC., LOCAL

We are less 24 hours from the last presidential debate before Election Day. Today both candidates took time out from campaigning to prepare. They'll be talking foreign affairs, but both candidates could work in important valley issues like jobs. Action News reporter Rick Montanez is live in the newsroom now with the expectations for the debate and the major topic not on the schedule.

ACTION NEWS AM LIVE, 4:30AM, 10/22/2012, :32 SEC. LOCAL

It's their third and final showdown and tonight's presidential debate at Florida's Lynn University is focused on foreign policy, a topic that's already drawn fireworks. President Obama and Mitt Romney are expected to spar again over the attack on the US Consulate in Libya, and Iran will also be hot topic after the New York Times reported the US and Iran have agreed to one-on-one talks over its nuclear program.

ACTION NEWS AM LIVE, 10/22/2012, :18 SEC., LOCAL

President Obama and Mitt Romney face off for the final Presidential debate just 12-hours from now. The race is a dead heat now and tonight's foreign policy debate could be a game changer. ABC's Brandi Hitt is live in Florida this morning with what could be a turning point in the campaign.

ACTION NEWS AM LIVE 10/22/2012, :52 SEC., LOCAL

ABC30's political analyst Tony Capozzi says Mitt Romney and President Obama will likely find ways to work in domestic topics like the economy and jobs. The debate moderator plans to ask about the Iranian nuclear situation, the deadly attacks in Libya and trade tensions with China. Capozzi says the debate answers will not necessarily sway voters. Debate watchers will be looking more at the way the candidates look while answering them.

ACTION NEWS MIDDAY, 10/22/2012, :23 SEC. LOCAL

Unemployment declined in 41 states last month. And seven of those are key battlegrounds in the election. Many say the numbers may help President Obama come November. However, the reasons for the declines are not necessarily good. For example, the unemployment rate dipped in Ohio from a month earlier. But a lot of that has to do with the fact that 40-thousand people dropped out of the state's labor force.

ACTION NEWS MIDDAY, 10/22/2012, :14 SEC., LOCAL

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 4PM, 10/22/2012, :14 SEC., LOCAL

Today is the last day to register to vote in California. Any mail-in applications need to be postmarked by today. Those registering online need to have their applications submitted by midnight.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 4PM, 10/22/2012, :32 SEC. LOCAL

Both President Obama and his GOP opponent Mitt Romney have had their moments, but now they'll duel in a final debate. Fresno Pacific political science Professor Ken Martens Friesen believes the showdown will differ from last week's town hall setting.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 4PM, 10/22/2012, :21 SEC. LOCAL

Tonight is the deadline for people around the valley to register to vote. Voters are still registering at the elections office in downtown Fresno. You can still sign up online through the secretary of state's website until midnight. Registrations in the mail must be postmarked by October 22nd. Workers at the downtown Fresno Elections Office had a busy day with people flocking in to fill out last minute forms.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 5PM, 10/22/2012, :24 SEC. LOCAL

A new ABC News-Washington Post daily tracking poll puts the presidential election in a dead heat. The poll comes just hours before President Obama and Republican challenger Mitt Romney square off in the last presidential debate in Florida. Tonight the candidates will take questions on foreign policy.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 6PM, 10/22/2012, :12 SEC., LOCAL

Tonight at midnight is the deadline for people to register to vote throughout the state. Here in the valley many rushed to elections offices to sign up today. Action News Reporter Mariana Jacob has more on the last minute rush to register.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 6PM, 10/22/2012, :57 SEC., LOCAL

The downtown Fresno elections office was filled with those who waited last minute to register. On deadline day, Johnny Simmons was determined to sign up saying, "You can't have an opinion on something where you don't give your input on it. When you are registered to vote you are putting your input out there you are telling people what you want." For others who registered like Cami Bouchard, this Presidential election marks her first time heading to the polls.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 6PM, 10/22/2012, :58 SEC., LOCAL

A south valley Democratic group said a recent burglary wasn't going to stop them from holding a debate-watching party. The Tulare County Democrats' temporary headquarters was broken into this past weekend. The thieves took a computer, surround sound system and an HD TV that the group was going to use to watch tonight's Presidential Debate. Visalia police say the suspects also tore down a sign, sifted through filing cabinets and damage two doors.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 11PM, 10/22/2012, :22 SEC., LOCAL

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ACTION NEWS AM LIVE, 10/23/2012, :36 SEC. LOCAL

A viewing at Fresno State allowed students to both watch and weigh in on the third and final presidential debate. More than sixty students gathered to watch the debate at the university last night. Following the debate, students participated in a poll using devices known as "i-clickers." According to the poll, nearly half of the students in the auditorium identified themselves as Republicans and 34 percent said they were Democrats. Still, 57 percent said President Obama came out on top.

ACTION NEWS MIDDAY, 10/23/2012, :19 SEC. LOCAL

The Presidential candidates are in the home stretch of their campaigns after going on the attack in their third and final debate Monday's face-off in Florida was focused on foreign policy. And Mitt Romney said President Obama's failures have led to unrest in the Middle East.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 4PM, 10/23/2012, :36 SEC. LOCAL

Governor Jerry Brown is in Fresno today as part of a statewide tour to promote Proposition 30. He held campaign events in Los Angeles, San Diego, and Bakersfield. He's asking Californians to protect schools by voting Yes on Prop 30 on the November ballot. The measure would increase taxes and prevent cuts to public schools and universities. Those opposed to Prop 30 say not all of the money will go to education and some of it can be used for other government programs. Governor Brown is scheduled to participate in a news conference at the Fresno Area Electrical Training Center at 4:30.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 4PM, 10/23/2012, :19 SEC. LOCAL

The Fresno Unified Board of Trustees is preparing to fill a vacancy opened after the resignation of Tony Vang. Vang resigned in September following allegations he lived and voted outside of District Four. The district will accept all applications received by October 30th.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 4PM, 10/23/2012, :20 SEC. LOCAL

Thursday is when the council will discuss the proposal and could put it to a vote. But not everyone is on board. Jacky Parks with the Fresno Police Officers Association said over the phone that he does not support the measure because it forces officers to waive protections under the Peace Officer's Bill of Rights in order to participate.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 5PM 10/23/2012, :30 SEC. LOCAL

The Governor said he's doing his best to get the vote out, and he said failure is not an option when it comes to Proposition 30, the ballot initiative which increases taxes to fund schools. Those who make more than 250 thousand would see a spike in taxes. The governor said students deserve better and that this proposition is critical to our future. He said he wants people to know what's at stake. He claims the state will have fewer teachers and fewer resources if this initiative does not pass.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 11PM, 10/23/2012, :16 SEC., LOCAL

Action News reporter Stephanie Stone is live in our studio with both sides of the debate and the trade school that's caught in the middle. Proposition 30 has become a hot button and highly contested issue this election and this afternoon the governor said the ballot initiative will affect trade schools.

ACTION NEWS AM LIVE, 10/24/2012, :20 SEC. LOCAL

President Obama is kicking off a two-day campaign blitz in Iowa today before heading to Colorado and then Los Angeles. Meanwhile, Mitt Romney is campaigning in Nevada and Iowa this morning. ABC's Tahman Bradley was live from Washington D.C. with the candidates' strategies to win undecided voters in battleground states and how a new abortion controversy may impact the election.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 5PM, 10/24/2012, :19 SEC., LOCAL

With the November 6th Election less than two weeks away, many government leaders are joining forces to get voters to pass Measure B. The ballot initiative would extend the existing one-eighth-cent sales tax for county libraries another 16 years. Action News Reporter Linda Mumma talked with those on both sides of the measure and shows us how a "yes" or "no" vote would impact the county.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 6PM, 10/24/2012, :32 SEC., LOCAL

While records are still being verified, California could see hundreds of thousands, maybe even a million, new voters this election. Shannon Velayas, California Secretary of State Office, says "Preliminary numbers, 680,000 people have been added to the rolls. So we are on track to breaking the all-time high of voter registration record in the state." The California secretary of state's office credits the new online voter registration site for helping with the boost. More than half of the new registrations came through its website, which was launched only a month ago.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 11PM, 10/24/2012, :34 SEC., LOCAL

We've heard a lot of reports about the importance of the female vote this election season and a new study says there's apparently science behind why women vote the way they do. Researchers at the University of Texas, San Antonio found that during the fertile times of the month when estrogen levels are high, single women appear more likely to vote for President Obama. But married women appear more likely to vote for Mitt Romney during the same time of the month. Researchers say married and single females adopt different viewpoints on women's issues during ovulation when their sexual urges are heightened.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 4PM, 10/25/2012, :50 SEC., LOCAL

Proposition 30 is a hotly contested initiative on the November ballot. Governor Brown says Prop 30 would rise billions of dollars for education. But opponents say the tax increase would not guarantee any money to schools. Proposition 30 would increase the California sales tax by a quarter of a cent and increase taxes for those who make over 250 thousand dollars a year. Governor Brown was in Fresno on Tuesday to push for the passage of Proposition 30. Governor Brown said, "Just in case anyone doesn't know, I am going to hold this sign up." But some business and taxpayer groups have lined up in opposition to Proposition 30.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 6PM, 10/25/2012, :22 SEC. LOCAL

Some Fresno County employees are frustrated tonight after the Fresno City Council voted in favor of a new parking agreement downtown. Many were notified by mail a few weeks ago that they rates will go up, but claim they weren't given a reason why. Action News reporter Linda Mumma is live in downtown Fresno with more on the fee increase and the complaints from county employees.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 6PM, 10/25/2012, :16 SEC., LOCAL

This Election day voters in Porterville are being asked to approve a \$90-million dollar tax measure to improve and build new facilities at Porterville Unified School District. Action news south valley

reporter Jessica Peres shows us what school officials say the bond will pay for and why some people hope it doesn't pass.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 6PM, 10/25/2012, :31 SEC. LOCAL

Porterville Unified school administrators plus several local government officials were at the Porterville Adult School to hear plans and take a tour where a brand new military institute could be. Porterville voters will decide if they should pass Measure J, a 25-year, \$90-million dollar bond to build new classrooms, make the school district more tech-friendly and build the Porterville Military Institute.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 6PM, 10/25/2012, :23 SEC. LOCAL

Proposition 30 would increase the California sales tax by a quarter of a cent. The money raised would help fund education and public safety. Business and taxpayer groups opposed to Proposition 30 gathered in Fresno today. They say taxes should not be raised in a down economy. But some students and educators at Fresno State say the initiative would give education a much needed six billion dollar boost.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 11PM, 10/25/2012, :35 SEC. LOCAL

The presidential candidates continued their multi-state trips trying to reach those undecided voters in key battleground states. Both President Obama and Governor Romney spent most of the day in the most critical battleground -- Ohio. The state and its eighteen electoral votes could decide the next president. The latest polls show that the president has the edge in the Buckeye State. But it's a small five point lead. Mitt Romney is hoping to turn that around, making 15 trips to the state over the past few months.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 5PM, 10/26/2012, :14 SEC., LOCAL

Pat DiCicco was the top vote-getter in June with 25 percent of the vote, while Steve Brandau was second with 22 percent. Fresno's City Council District Two race certainly will be one to watch November 6th.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 6PM, 10/26/2012, 1:17 MIN., LOCAL

Six of the 11 statewide ballot measures Californians will be deciding next month have very wealthy people bankrolling one side. New campaign finance reports compiled by maplight.org found among the biggest donors: Molly Munger, who has contributed \$44 million dollars to her own Proposition 38 to fund public schools through an income tax increase. Her brother Charles has given \$36 million to defeat his sister's rival, Proposition 30, Governor Brown's tax measure. He also hopes the money helps win approval for Prop 32, which curtails labor unions' influence in politics. Venture capitalist Tom Steyer has spent \$29 million of his own money for green energy projects spelled out in his Proposition 39 and Mercury Insurance founder George Joseph has pumped \$16 million into Prop 33, which changes how car insurance rates are calculated. The U.S. Supreme court says it's okay to give unlimited amounts of money to ballot measures.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 6PM 10/26/2012, :38 SEC., LOCAL

There are 31-thousand new registered voters in California due to the efforts of state university students. Across the 23 campus systems, students have mobilized each other to cast their votes in the upcoming election. The new and popular online registration tool has made it easier for many -- but personally encouraging each other to vote have been the driving factor. Throughout the state, students in the organization have spent hundreds of hours asking the question, "Are you registered to vote?" One of the most motivating factors of all, according to one California state student association member, is how the election results will directly affect students.

AM LIVE SUNDAY, 8AM, 10/28/2012, :17 SEC., LOCAL

With just a week before Election Day, both President Obama and Mitt Romney are hitting the campaign trail in full force. The president is in Florida today just a day after stopping in the battleground state of New Hampshire. Obama took the opportunity to criticize his opponent's economic plan.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 11PM, 10/29/2012, :25 SEC., LOCAL

With just 9 days to go, the Presidential race is tight. Both sides are working furiously to lock down votes ahead of the hurricane. The threat of Sandy has forced both President Obama and Mitt Romney to cancel 13 events. Today Romney and Paul Ryan campaigned in Ohio. President Obama stopped by the Federal Emergency Management Agency in Washington where he issued a warning to the millions of Americans in Sandy's path.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 11PM 10/30/2012, 1:14 MIN., LOCAL

With less than one week until you make your voice and your vote heard at the polls, the candidates for the 16th Congressional district faced off in the North Valley tonight. Republican Brian Whelan is challenging Democratic incumbent Jim Costa for the newly drawn district.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 11PM, 10/30/2012, :21 SEC., LOCAL

Action News anchor Amanda Perez joins us live from U.C. Merced tonight where the candidates addressed a number of issues affecting Americans and the a candidate forum sponsored by the League of Women Voters brought both candidates to U.C. Merced. The questions came from the audience, and both candidates covered a lot of ground in just over an hour. This forum was held on a college campus so at the end of tonight's forum, both candidates were also asked how they would work with the U.C. system. Whelan said he would fight for a residency program to help students pursue medicine. Meanwhile, Congressman Costa said he fought for this U.C. Merced campus and as long as he's in office, he would continue to do so.

ACTION NEWS AM LIVE, 10/31/2012, 1:16 MIN., LOCAL

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ACTION NEWS AM LIVE, 10/31/2012, 1:06 MIN., LOCAL

Candidates for the valley's 16th Congressional district faced off in the north valley last night, addressing a number of issues during a candidate's forum at U.C. Merced. Republican Brian Whelan is challenging Democratic incumbent Jim Costa for the newly drawn district. During the forum members of the audience were invited to submit questions that were asked of both candidates. From the start, both candidates named job creation as a top priority and because water plays such a crucial role to the valley's economy, it was only a matter of time before the candidates were asked about the valley's water crisis.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 6PM, 10/31/2012, 1:52 MIN., LOCAL

The state and local education system has taken a beating from struggling budgets over the past few years. In less than a week we'll know whether Governor Jerry Brown's tax initiative Proposition 30 will pass. The proposition would draw an additional six billion tax dollars into the state over the next seven years. Much needed money for the California State University system.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 6PM 10/31/2012, :17 SEC., LOCAL

In an exclusive Action News poll conducted by Survey U.S.A., 51 percent of California voters support the Governor's tax initiative to fund education. 42 percent are against the tax increase and 8 percent are still undecided. Action News reporter Rick Montanez has reaction from both sides of the issue and a look at how the valley has voted so far.

ACTION NEWS AM LIVE 11/01/2012, :32 SEC., LOCAL

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ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 5PM, 11/01/2012, :27 SEC. LOCAL

Election Day is just five days away and mail-in ballots continue to pour in to county election offices across California. Election officials say as many as half of all ballots cast this election will be by mail. And at last count, more than 17 million people have registered to vote in the state. Experts say while mail-in ballots are convenient for voters, they can also cause delays in getting final Election results. That's because mail-in ballots take longer to count.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 6PM, 11/01/2012, :13 SEC., LOCAL

Fresno County is known as a politically conservative area, but things are changing. By registration Democrats now outnumber Republicans by more than six thousand. But the GOP is counting on more of their party to actually vote.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 6PM, 11/01/2012, :12 SEC., LOCAL

More Californians are choosing an alternate way of voting this year mail-in ballots. Action News Capitol reporter Nannette Miranda told us why the process is more time-consuming and how the results could be impacted.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 6PM, 11/01/2012, 1:05 MIN., LOCAL

A surge of mail-in ballots has arrived at county election offices all over California. The number of California voters casting a vote-by-mail ballot this year is expected to surpass the last presidential election in 2008 when about 42% or 13.7 million ballots were sent in. While that sounds great with more people participating because of the ease of mail-in ballots, the downside is it takes longer to count -- so for close races, we might not know the results for days, maybe even weeks.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 4P, 11/02/2012, :32 SEC., LOCAL

Their campaign signs stand side by side and they actually share some similar views but conservative Republicans Bob Whalen and Jim Patterson both believe they each stand apart. Jim Patterson served two terms as Fresno Mayor between 1993 and 2001.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 5PM 11/02/2012, :22 SEC., LOCAL

The two candidates also disagree on the 40 thousand dollar discretionary fund each supervisor receives annually. Pedrozo says that money allows him to support programs for children in small, unincorporated areas that would otherwise be overlooked. But Pacheco argues the funds lack oversight and may be better spent.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 5PM 11/02/2012, :20 SEC., LOCAL

On Tuesday, voters in Fresno County will have a chance to decide on Measure "B". If passed, the measure would extend the existing one-eighth cent sales tax for 16 years to support neighborhood

libraries the money would be used to protect Fresno county libraries from state budget cuts by preventing library closures and reduced library hours.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 6PM, 11/02/2012, :37 SEC. LOCAL

All the talk about Proposition 30, Governor Brown's Tax Measure, centers on public school funding. But these law enforcement and local government representatives are worried about the other part of Prop 30, a constitutional amendment that guarantees state funding for realignment, the prison inmate shift where counties must now house thousands of low level inmates who used to go to state prison. If Prop 30 fails Tuesday, counties are asking how they are going to be able to afford this expense.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 6PM, 11/02/2012, 1:46 MIN.. LOCAL

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AM LIVE SATURDAY, 8AM, 11/03/2012,23 SEC., LOCAL

President Obama and Mitt Romney are in the final weekend of campaigning before Tuesday's election. Romney is hitting three battleground states today: New Hampshire, Iowa and Colorado. He kicked off the weekend holding a massive rally in Ohio yesterday. The Republican nominee criticized the state of the economy and assured his supporters things would be different if he's elected president.

ACTION NEWS PRIME 8:30PM,11/03/2012, 2:45 MIN..LOCAL

A cramped call center is a hub to get voters to give Proposition 30 the green light come Election Day. "I think we are at a crisis and I think we are at a critical point where we have to make some tough decisions. We can choose to fund education and make sure we are trying to educate our students or we can sit on the sidelines as our schools decline." Venise Curry is rallying people to vote yes on 30. The measure is Governor Jerry Brown's initiative to help close the state's budget deficit by raising the state sales tax by a quarter cent for four years. Income taxes will also rise for those making more than \$250,000 for seven years.

ACTION NEWS PRIME 8:30PM, 11/03/2012, :10 SEC.. LOCAL

Fresno county voters had a chance to cast their ballots early today. Several people took advantage of "Saturday Voting" at the Elections Department in downtown Fresno.

ACTION NEWS PRIME 8:30PM, 11/03/2012, :21 SEC.. LOCAL

Governor Jerry Brown has announced he's going on a five-city swing with a stop here in Fresno on Monday. He's hoping to rally supporters to vote yes on Proposition 30. But the tax initiative to fund schools has polarized many across the state. Action News reporter Mariana Jacob shows us the messages both sides are sending in this final weekend before the election.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 11PM, 11/03/2012, :38 SEC. ,LOCAL

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Supporters say it will stop six billion dollars in school cuts this year but opponents argue the tax money will go to politicians and special interests to spend as they please.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 6PM, 11/04/2012, 1:32 MIN., LOCAL

John Pedrozo is a Merced county farmer who's now hoping for a third term as District One supervisor. His area includes parts of Merced, Planada, Livingston, El Nido, and Le Grand. Pedrozo received more than 48 percent of the vote during the June election. Now he's in a run-off race with Merced County Sheriff's Sergeant, Jim Pacheco. The Le Grand resident finished second with just over 32 percent.

AM LIVE SUNDAY, 8AM, 11/04/2012, :24 SEC., LOCAL

We're only two days away from Election Day, and both presidential candidates are reaching out to voters in battleground states. Their mission: get to the magic number of 270 electoral votes and either stay in the White House for one, or move into it for the other. ABC's Preeti Arla tells us what both President Obama and Mitt Romney are up to today, and the hard campaigning they completed yesterday.

AM LIVE SUNDAY, 8AM, 11/04/2012, :38 SEC., LOCAL

Supporters made cold calls, urging people to vote yes on Prop 30 and Governor Jerry Brown is planning a five city swing, including a stop in Fresno tomorrow. Prop 30 is Governor Brown's initiative to help close the state's budget deficit by raising the sales tax by a quarter cent for four years. Income taxes will also increase for those making more than 250-thousand dollars for seven years. Supporters say it will stop six billion dollars in school cuts this year. But opponents argue the tax money will go to politicians and special interests to spend as they please.

AM LIVE SUNDAY, 8AM, 11/04/2012, :23 SEC., LOCAL

Here in California a record number of people registered to vote. Some 18 million people compared to just over 17 million last year. While the new online registration system certainly played a role, the tight presidential race is also driving voters to the polls.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 11PM, 11/04/2012, :20 SEC., LOCAL

If you're looking for a quick and easy way to cast your ballot the Fresno County Elections Office is offering nine places where you can drive up and drop off your ballot on Tuesday. The drive-thru sites will be in Fresno, Coalinga, Clovis, Sanger and Orange Cove. We posted a full list of locations and times on our website.

ACTION NEWS AM LIVE, 11/05/2012, :22 SEC., LOCAL

Here in the valley Democrats and Republicans are working to get a high voter turnout. Volunteers from both political parties went door to door and made phone calls urging people to head to the polls. A recent field poll shows voters in the central valley are split over keeping President Obama in office or sending Mitt Romney to the White House. Organizers on both sides say they will keep up their efforts through Election Day.

ACTION NEWS AM LIVE, 11/05/2012, :18 SEC., LOCAL

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ACTION NEWS AM LIVE, 11/05/2012, :23 SEC., LOCAL

Less than 24 hours from now voters across the U.S. will begin heading to the polls to elect a new president. Both President Obama and Mitt Romney are making a final push to court voters today hitting more than a dozen states each. ABC's Tahman Bradley is live at Romney's campaign headquarters this morning with his cross country blitz the day before the election.

ACTION NEWS AM LIVE, 11/05/2012, 46 SEC., LOCAL

Governor Brown is travelling across California today to encourage voter turnout for Prop 30 and one of his stops is right here in the valley. The Governor will join local teachers and community members at five rallies across the state today. The governor begins in San Diego less than an hour from now, then heads to Los Angeles before making an 11:45 rally at the United Association Local Union 246 in Fresno. Governor Brown will also appear at rallies in Sacramento and San Francisco today. Supporters say Proposition 30 will stop six billion dollars in school cuts this year. But opponents argue the tax money will go to politicians and special interests to spend as they please.

ACTION NEWS MIDDAY, 11/05/2012, 1:00 SEC., LOCAL

The Fresno County elections office is helping to make voting as easy as getting a hamburger. Tomorrow, the elections office is opening nine places where you can drive up and drop off your ballot. The drive-thru sites will be in Fresno, Clovis, Coalinga, Sanger and Orange Cove. Governor Brown is travelling across California this midday, to encourage voter turnout for Prop 30 and one of his stops is right here in the valley. The governor will join local teachers and community members at five rallies across the state today. The governor began in San Diego, and then headed to Los Angeles before making an 11:45 rally at the United Association Local Union 246 in Fresno. Governor Brown will also appear at rallies in Sacramento and San Francisco today. Supporters say Proposition 30 will stop six billion dollars in school cuts this year.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 4PM, 11/05/2012, :30 SEC., LOCAL

After nearly 17 months of shaking hands and raising money it all comes down to this, the final full day of campaigning before election night. Republican challenger Mitt Romney is on a whirlwind swing through the key battleground states of Florida and Virginia.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 5PM, 11/05/2012, :25 SEC., LOCAL

Action News education reporter Linda Mumma was at the rally in Fresno today and talked to both sides about their concerns. Supporters of Prop 30 say by raising the state sales tax a quarter cent for four years and hiking income taxes for seven years on those making more than 250-thousand dollars a year, it will prevent schools from facing severe cuts. But those opposed say Governor Brown is holding students hostage with a scare tactic.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 6PM, 11/05/2012, :24 SEC., LOCAL

Workers at the Fresno County elections office are staying busy this election eve as people head to the polls. Today volunteers fielded calls from voters still unsure about the process. They say the most common question is where is my closest polling place? Fresno county clerk Brandi Orth says she's expecting a more than seventy percent voter turnout and to combat the rush workers have already started sorting through absentee ballots.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 11PM, 11/05/2012, :30 SEC., LOCAL

Governor Jerry Brown campaigned in Fresno today pushing for proposition 30. The initiative on tomorrow's ballot would increase sales and personal income taxes to fund education and public safety in California.

ACTION NEWS AM LIVE, 11/06/2012, :21 SEC., LOCAL

The Fresno County Elections office will be bustling a few hours from now but all should be orderly thanks to the work of staff and volunteers earlier today. Volunteers fielded calls from voters still unsure about the process. Fresno county clerk Brandi Orth says she's expecting a more than seventy percent voter turnout and to combat the rush workers have already started sorting through absentee ballots.

ACTION NEWS AM LIVE, 11/06/2012, :14 SEC., LOCAL

Your Voice Your Vote coverage on Action News. We're turning our focus now to our congressional seats here in Central California. Let's start in the south valley and one of the most closely watched races.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 2PM, 11/06/2012, 1 HOUR LOCAL

National, State and Local election returns were reported along with interviews with candidates.

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PUBLIC SAFETY/CRIME ISSUES 4TH QUARTER 2012**ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 4PM, 10/18/2012, 1:31 MIN., LOCAL**

"Duck, cover and hold on." That was the safety message that echoed throughout classrooms in California as an estimated 9.3 million people in the state took part in the great shakeout, a national emergency preparedness drill that gives schools, businesses and government agencies an opportunity to review and update their plans.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 6PM 10/18/2012, :42 SEC., LOCAL

The United Farm Workers of America sued California's Work Safety Division today. They say state regulators aren't enforcing heat regulations. The suit was filed on behalf of the union and individual farmworkers. It claims the California Occupational Safety and Health Association failed the last two years to conduct inspections in response to some heat complaints, didn't initiate inspections on time, and failed to cite or adequately fine violators. Cal-OSHA did not immediately respond to the lawsuit. A similar suit was filed three years ago and still has not been settled. At least 14 farmworkers have died of heat-related causes since 2005, when California adopted the nation's first rules requiring shade and water for the state's 450 thousand farm workers.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 6PM, 10/18/2012, :22 SEC., LOCAL**ACTION NEWS AM LIVE 10/19/2012, :22 SEC., LOCAL**

Fresno State students debated the future of education and how Proposition 30 could affect both proponents and opponents discussed the ballot initiative which, if approved, increases income and sales taxes in order to fund schools and public safety. Opponents say there's no guarantee that the money will go where it's intended.

ACTION NEWS AM LIVE 10/19/2012, 1:03 MIN., LOCAL

Action News has learned a Fresno man wanted in connection with the disappearance and suspected death of a Sanger teen is in a Utah jail this morning. Sammy Mercado, 16, disappeared in April. The

Fresno County Sheriff's Office says he went missing while he and some friends were trying to steal marijuana from a grower near Sanger.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 5PM, 10/19/2012, :29 SEC., LOCAL

A major remodeling project of a south valley rest stop is now complete and the area is open again to people driving along highway 99. The Phillip Raine Rest Area is located along 99 just north of Tipton in Tulare County. The site was closed in May 2011 so workers could upgrade the facilities to improve safety and access to visitors with disabilities. More bathrooms were also added along with special areas for pets. The construction project cost more than eight million dollars. The rest area was originally constructed in 1965 and the last time upgrades were made was in 1984.

AM LIVE SATURDAY 6AM, 10/20/2012, :33 SEC., LOCAL

Federal safety regulators are investigating complaints that the engine in Jeep's Patriot SUV can stall without warning at highway speeds. The probe by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration affects about 112 thousand patriots from the 2011 and 2012 model years.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 11PM, 10/21/2012, 1:30 MIN. LOCAL

ACTION NEWS AM LIVE, 10/22/2012, 1:30 MIN. LOCAL

With the cool down coming in our fall forecast, sales of portable space heaters will start to take off. But they can be dangerous. In fact, they cause around 17-hundred house fires a year and some 70 deaths. In tonight's Consumer Watch, Action News anchor Christine Park has an important safety alert on one widely-sold heater. Consumer Reports just tested 19 portable electric heaters. Peter Sawchuk checked to make sure they have adequate safeguards. This test assesses whether the overheat sensor shuts the heater off before it poses a fire risk. With this Optimus space heater, the sensor did not activate in time. The test fabric caught fire in a matter of minutes

ACTION NEWS AM LIVE, 10/22/2012, :50 SEC. LOCAL

A high tech security problem for hotels this morning -- crooks are cracking the codes on those electronic door locks with a cheap device. ABC News uncovered the problem with a certain brand of locks made by the company Onity. With a simple tool that costs just 50 dollars to build, thieves can access any room in a hotel and the tool can be hidden in a marker or even an I-phone case.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 11PM, 10/22/2012, :20 SEC., LOCAL

ACTION NEWS AM LIVE, 10/23/2012, :20 SEC., LOCAL

The city voted to raise fees for several city services to bring in more income. Residents will also have a chance to vote on a proposal to raise sales tax by a half percent to benefit public safety programs.

ACTION NEWS AM LIVE, 10/23/2012, :26 SEC., LOCAL

Nissan is recalling nearly 14-thousand Altima sedans because power steering bolts could become loose and fall out. The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration says the bolts installed in the Altima's power steering system were not correctly installed. The recall covers model years 2012 and 2013, produced between May 10 through July 26. Recall letters will be sent out to Altima owners starting next week. You can take your car to a dealer to have the bolts tightened to the proper specifications.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 4PM, 10/23/2012, :36 SEC., LOCAL

Thousands of pounds of ground beef are being recalled over fears of a possible e-coli contamination. The US Food, Safety and Inspection service says more than 23 hundred pounds of ground beef products from Utah and 41-hundred pounds from Hawaii are being recalled. The beef

from Hawaii was manufactured at the Higa Meat and Pork Market on October 17th. The Utah recall includes ten pound cases labeled ground beef bulk and 12 pound cases labeled ground beef patties.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 4PM, 10/23/2012, 1:00 MIN., LOCAL

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 6PM, 10/23/2012, 1:00 MIN., LOCAL

Coverage on a plan called the "Public Safety Mediation Program", an alternative complaint-handling process based on the idea people is more likely to resolve a conflict through constructive dialogue that increases mutual understanding.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 6PM, 10/23/2012, :16 SEC., LOCAL

The Department Of Social Services says it does not need a conviction to revoke a day care license. The agencies own investigation just has to determine there was inappropriate action that threatened the health and safety of a child.

ACTION NEWS AM LIVE, 10/25/2012, 1:43 MIN., LOCAL

Fresno police say neighborhood watch disappeared in the late 90s. There wasn't a need once citizens on patrol took over. But now they say there's a big need and it starts here, in the Tower. Like a classroom, residents from all walks of life listened, watched and learned from Fresno police.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 4PM, 10/25/2012, :25 SEC., LOCAL

The IIHS says boosters are doing a much better job in tests than they did just a few years ago. Nearly 50 booster seats were found worthy of its "Best Bet" rating because they allow the lap belt to fit tightly over the thighs. The Safety 1st All-In-One and Alpha Omega Elite, were the only two "not recommended". Boosters are intended for 4 to 8 year olds who weigh up to 80 pounds.

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ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 4PM, 10/30/2012, :10 SEC., LOCAL

ACTION NEWS AM LIVE, 11/04/2012, :10 SEC., LOCAL

The simulation was made possible by a California Office of Traffic Safety Grant. Clovis officers say almost 90 percent of citations they issue on a daily basis are given to those using their cell phones.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 5PM, 10/30/2012, :28 SEC., LOCAL

ACTION NEWS AM LIVE, 10/31/2012, :28 SEC., LOCAL

The California Department of Corrections is preparing for its annual Halloween safety program called "Operation Boos." The program, now in its 19th year, helps parents keep their kids safe on Halloween night. The department's website features a brochure with trick-or-treating safety tips. There's also a link to the Megan's Law website, which lists the addresses of registered sex offenders in California. "Operation Boos" also imposes strict regulations on offenders for Halloween night.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 4PM, 10/31/2012, :14 SEC., LOCAL

Another fun and safe event you can check out tonight is at the Sierra Vista Mall. Kids ten years old and younger are being invited to come to the mall to trick or treat. Dozens of businesses at the shopping center will be passing out candy and other treats! Tonight's fun runs from 4 to 6 PM.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 4PM, 10/31/2012, :22 SEC., LOCAL

Some smart phone apps are helping parents keep their kids safe while trick-or-treating. Life 360 lets you see where sex offenders live so you know which homes to avoid. You can also locate your family using GPS on the map and check in to let family members know you're okay. The trick or tracker app allows parents to set up a "geo-fence" to be notified if your children travel outside a set perimeter.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 6PM, 10/31/2012, :26 SEC., LOCAL

Kids all across the valley will be out tonight to trick or treat and law enforcement wants to remind drivers to be alert. The Fresno police department is asking motorists to watch for trick-or-treaters. Officers recommend when you head outside, parents and kids take a flashlight or glow sticks out with them tonight. Wearing light-colored clothing or reflective clothing can also help keep kids safe. However, there are some alternatives to trick or treating outdoors, like heading to a local church or mall.

ACTION NEWS AM LIVE, 11/02/2012, :39 SEC., LOCAL

Criminals in the south valley are turning their focus on officers. Turns out the thieves were targeting the Sanger Police Gun Range. Officers discovered the bizarre heist when they showed up for training this week. Detectives are trying to figure out if there are any witnesses. We're told earmuffs, goggles, targets, papers and bullets are missing.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 5P, 11/02/2012, 2:00 MIN..LOCAL

Action News anchor Sara Sandrik is live in the North Valley newsroom with a closer look at the candidates and where they stand on key issues. Both candidates say public safety and jobs are their top priorities, but they have different opinions on other hot topics Now Pedrozo is touting his eight years of experience, while Pacheco is promising a fresh perspective.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 4PM, 11/07/2012, :22 SEC., LOCAL

The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission is recalling 37-thousand Chinese-made master forge gas grills sold at Lowes from November 2011 through May 2012 for about \$270. If improperly installed, the hose connecting the gas tank and regulator to the burner control can melt and rupture when the grill is lit. This poses a fire and burn hazard. Go to abc30.com for recall instructions.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 5PM, 11/09/2012, :39 SEC., LOCAL

The Fresno Police Department received honors today for the top traffic with a backdrop of dozens of police motorcycles, Chief Jerry Dyer accepted the award from the California Highway Patrol and the office of traffic safety. Fresno Police earned credit for their DUI checkpoints and saturation patrols, as well as the technology they've used to reduce traffic accidents.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 6PM, 11/19/2012, :27 SEC., LOCAL

His cooler weather paired with the upcoming holiday season is generally when firefighters see spike in house fires. According to the National Fire Protection Association about 240 house fires involve Christmas trees and another 150 are started by holiday lights every year. Together those fires cause 21 deaths and more than 25 million dollars in damage.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 6PM, 11/19/2012, :35 SEC., LOCAL

With the holidays upon us officials at Children's Hospital are reminding parents about the dangers that may lurk inside your home. Safety experts with Children's Hospital held a demonstration today showing some of the household hazards parents may not be aware of during the holidays. And the biggest concern is drowning. Many drownings occur indoors during the cooler months because

parents leave their kids unsupervised in bathtubs. Holiday items also pose a threat including candles and small tree ornaments.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 6PM, 11/20/2012, :35 SEC., LOCAL

The California Public Interest Research Group released its annual "Trouble in Toyland" survey. The report provides safety and buying advice for people looking to purchase toys for small kids. CALPIRG officials say lead and phthalates, chemicals which make plastic softer, are still used in toys. Both can potentially cause health problems at high exposure levels and small toys can, of course, be choking hazards. Choking is still the leading cause of toy-related death.

ACTION NEWS MIDDAY, 11/21/2012, 1:00 MIN., LOCAL

What can be forgotten in the focus on hectic holiday travel is that all these people are headed somewhere for a Thanksgiving meal that somebody has to cook and when the heat is on in the kitchen, help is only a call away. The busiest day would be Thanksgiving Day. The USDA's meat and poultry hotline in Greenbelt, Maryland operates year-round with a food safety mission, but the next few hours are by far the biggest fielding sometimes frantic calls about preparing dinner's main course.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 6PM, 11/21/2012, :27 SEC., LOCAL

As people head to the malls this holiday season, so will law enforcement to make sure shoppers are safe. Visalia police will be conducting "Operation Safe Holiday" and extra officers will be out patrolling shopping areas to combat auto theft and burglaries. Investigators say burglaries are up 9-percent in Visalia compared to this time last year. Visalia Police say undercover officers will also be out performing special details to target holiday-related crimes.

ACTION NEWS AM LIVE, 11/23/2012, :36 SEC., LOCAL

The Consumer Product Safety Commission is issuing an official safety alert for liquid laundry detergent packets after reports of hundreds of children injured by them. The CPSC is advising parents and caregivers to lock up these laundry packets and keep them away from children. The packets are attractive to children to play with and put in their mouths because they are soft and colorful and resemble familiar items like candy, toys and teething products. In 2012 alone, CPSC received about 500 reports of injuries.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 6PM, 11/23/2012, 1:38 MIN., LOCAL

AM LIVE SATURDAY, 8AM, 11/24/2012, 1:38 MIN., LOCAL

If you're going to brave the crowds on black Friday or even from now until Christmas, local law enforcement and retailers want to make sure you keep yourself safe while you're picking up your presents. The National Crime Prevention Council advises to be aware of your surroundings, keep your money in a safe, hidden place and try not to carry too many things at one time. Also, if you're shopping with children, have a central meeting place in case you get separated.

ACTION NEWS AM LIVE, 11/28/2012, 2:12 MIN., LOCAL

Business insider used FBI crime statistics to determine its list University officials and students acknowledged crime could be reduced but they say campus is mostly safe. No university wants to be listed among the most dangerous in the country, but Fresno State made the cut. Jose Verduzco says the campus is safe, but his friends have been victims of crime.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 4PM, 11/30/2012, 1:25 MIN., LOCAL

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 6PM, 11/30/2012, 1:25 MIN., LOCAL

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 11PM, 11/30/2012, 1:25 MIN., LOCAL

Authorities rushed to the area of Highway 99 and Avenue 12 after getting reports of a large gas leak Friday morning. The CHP shut down a stretch of 99 and surrounding roads, which caused traffic to back up for miles. Meanwhile, deputies worked to evacuate 15 homes and 8 businesses. PG&E says the leak never created a significant safety risk because natural gas dissipates once it hits the air.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 4PM 12/03/2012, :50 SEC., LOCAL

Ford is recalling more than 89-thousand Escape SUV's and Fusion sedans because the engines can overheat and cause fires. The automaker is working on a fix and is telling owners to contact dealers who will arrange for loaner cars until repairs are done. This is the fourth recall in four months on the all-new Escape, a top seller for Ford in the compact SUV segment of the market. Safety advocates warn more than three recalls in a vehicle's first year is a troubling sign of quality problems, but Ford has said it is moving quickly to address safety issues.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 4PM, 12/04/2012, :50 SEC., LOCAL

With thick fog blanketing the region, school busses around the valley operated on a delay and this trend is likely to continue. Gustavo Balderas is the superintendent of the Madera Unified School District. More than 19 thousand students study here and he says the late start can change school plans. The murky conditions were thickest on country roads in the area and Central Unified School District also operated on a two hour delay. And delays cost money, foggy days mean paying bus drivers for the extra time. Fresno Unified schools transportation director Ralph Meza says schools delay routes when visibility is 200 feet or less. But this morning his district started at a regular time.

ACTION NEWS AM LIVE, 12/07/2012, :26 SEC., LOCAL

In this morning's Health Watch: A new study shows UV nail lamps for gel manicures are highly unlikely to cause skin cancer, even if used every week for 250 years. Researchers at a Massachusetts hospital measured radiation from typical nail lamps. The measurements then were used to calculate the lamps' cancer-causing levels. Researchers used the same method used to establish the safety of medical devices. The finding contradicts the feeling of many dermatologists that the devices are as harmful as tanning beds.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 4PM, 12/10/2012, 1:00 MIN., LOCAL

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 6PM, 12/10/2012, 1:00 MIN., LOCAL

The holiday season is a busy time of year for firefighters around the valley. They say there's a spike in house fires this time of the year and a number of those fires are started by Christmas trees. A video provided by the U.S. Fire Administration shows just how quickly a dried up Christmas tree goes up in flames. In about 30 seconds, you can see the difference between the well watered trees compared to the dry one. About a minute later, there's not much of it left and firefighters say about 240 house fires every year are caused nationwide by Christmas tree fires. About 150 house fires are started by holiday lights and decorations.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 5PM, 12/12/2012, 1:24 MIN., LOCAL

Shoppers carried on their normal holiday routine at Manchester Center in central Fresno making their way to stores like Azkara and Sears. The Oregon shooting incident wasn't enough to keep them away from the mall to make their purchases.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 11PM, 12/12/2012, :22 SEC., LOCAL

ACTION NEWS AM LIVE, 12/13/2012, :22 SEC., LOCAL

Parents in one north valley community claim they had no choice but to get creative. They say their children's safety is at risk. Last spring, the Merced Union High School District cut transportation funding to save money. Students living in a five mile radius of their school were forced to take the city bus or walk. Action News reporter Stephanie Stone joins us with their effort why they say it's working.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 11PM, 12/14/2012, 2:28 MIN., LOCAL

AM LIVE SATURDAY 6AM, 12/15/2012, 2:28 MIN., LOCAL

Members of a DUI task force for Fresno and Madera counties want to remind you not to drink and drive especially with all the holiday parties taking place this time of year. Members of the task force gathered in Clovis this morning to talk about their plan to combat drunk drivers. You can expect to see several DUI checkpoints throughout Fresno and Madera counties between now and the New Year.

AM LIVE SUNDAY 8AM, 12/16/2012, 1:07 MIN. LOCAL

The local Red Cross office is sending a health service worker to Connecticut to help out relief workers. In the meantime churches in the valley are preparing for a day of prayer today to remember the lives lost. The pain on these faces doesn't even begin to show how deeply the community of Newtown, Connecticut is hurting right now. It's that heartache Debby Dailey is hoping to ease. This Red Cross relief worker boarded a plane Saturday from Fresno.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 4PM, 12/17/2012, :19 SEC., LOCAL

As families across the nation sent their children to school today emerging from the shadow of the horrific shooting in Newtown, there is a renewed interest in school safety protocols. ABC's Brandi Hitt joins us live from Los Angeles with how everyone is weighing in from parents to educators, even the mayors from some of our largest cities.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 11PM, 12/21/2012, :25 SEC., LOCAL

Law enforcement officials stepped up security at several central valley schools today after students were threatened at three separate campuses. This was the scene at Mount Whitney high school in Visalia today after a 14 year old from Woodlake was arrested for threatening to shoot a student there. Three motorcycle cops, a patrol car and several gang enforcement officers circled the school as parents picked up their children on the final day of class before the Christmas break.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 6PM, 12/26/2012, :43 SEC., LOCAL

Several new driving laws are among the hundreds of California laws which will take effect January. Current law bans the use of any handheld phone device while driving. But beginning in January, drivers will be allowed to text while driving, as long as they're texting hands-free. The CHP advises drivers who aren't used to voice-texting to pull over to text until they're familiar with the technology. Another new law requires hospitals, clinics and birthing centers to inform new parents about the safety seat regulations. Highway patrol officers say there is still confusion about the most current child seat laws, but in most cases kids under eight years old must be in a safety seat.

ACTION NEWS AML LIVE, 12/26/2012, 26 SEC., LOCAL

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 11PM, 12/26/2012, 26 SEC., LOCAL

In Consumer Watch tonight, Honda is recalling thousands of its all-terrain vehicles. The company voluntarily recalled 19-thousand five-hundred ATV's in the U.S. due to a crash hazard. Specifically -

it's the 2012 Honda Four-Tax Rancher. Honda issued a smaller recall of the ATV's back in February for the same problem.

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HEALTHCARE ISSUES 4TH QUARTER 2012

LATINO LIFE, SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2012, 10AM, :30 MIN. LOCAL

Segment #1: Holistic Healing-The new center giving underserved members of the community access to Mental Health services. Guests: Sandra Mendoza-Cultural Broker & Geraldine Zuniga-Program Coordinator

Holistic Cultural and Education Wellness Center
4879 E. Kings Canyon Road Fresno, CA (559) 255-8395 www.fresnocenter.com

VALLEY FOCUS, SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2012, :30 MIN. LOCAL

Segment #1 Check before you burn- you could pay a price for using your fireplace during no burn days. Guest: Jaime Holt-SJ Air Pollution Control District

Wood-burning forecasts www.valleyair.org 1-800-smog-info

Segment #2: Great American smoke out- valley health organization encouraging businesses to ban smoking inside and outside facilities. Guest: Melissa rose-Adventist Health/Central Valley Network & Doris Tetz Carpenter-Adventist Health/Central Valley Network

Great American Smokeout November 15 - Sign Up Your Business www.No-smoke.org

Resources to Help You Quit Smoking www.tobaccofreecv.org

Segment #3 Medical help- Organization gives free healthcare to the disadvantaged in the valley.
Guest: Steven Voon-Tzu Chi Fresno Medical Team

Free Health Clinic
Tzu Chi Fresno Medical Team Saturday, November 17 9AM-3PM
Mosqueda Center 4670 E. Butler Fresno (559) 481-1498
www.Tzuchi.fresnomedicalteam.org

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 6PM, 10/18/2012, :42 SEC., LOCAL

The United Farm Workers of America sued California's Work Safety Division today. They say state regulators aren't enforcing heat regulations, leading to continued illnesses and deaths in the fields. The suit was filed on behalf of the union and individual farmworkers. It claims the California Occupational Safety And Health Association failed the last two years to conduct inspections in response to some heat complaints, didn't initiate inspections on time, and failed to cite or adequately fine violators.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 5PM, 10/19/2012, :48 SEC., LOCAL

Fourteen employees at a popular juice processing plant are recovering tonight after an overwhelming chlorine odor gave them shortness of breath. It happened this morning shortly before nine at the Pom Wonderful Plant in Del Rey.

ACTION NEWS AM LIVE, 10/22/2012, :19 SEC., LOCAL

California-made jerky is finding a new and bigger audience among health-conscious consumers. California-based jerky makers say they're seeing an increase in interest in their product. Jerky makers have fueled demand by creating flavors such as teriyaki pork or basil citrus, and have updated their packaging to appeal to consumers looking for gourmet snack options.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 4PM, 10/24/2012, :20 SEC., LOCAL

A health clinic will offer hundreds of Fresno county residents free flu shots. This weekend, the Fresno County Department of Health is hosting a drive-through vaccination clinic at a northwest Fresno church. There's no charge for the flu vaccination, but only the first 500 people who show up in cars or motorcycles will receive one.

ACTION NEWS AM LIVE, 10/25/2012, :31 SEC., LOCAL

We know eating too much Halloween candy is bad for your waist line. But eating a certain old fashioned treat could kill you. The Food and Drug Administration is warning too much black licorice this Halloween could cause serious health problems and even sudden death. The FDA says black licorice contains a sweetener that could cause a drop in potassium levels. When that happens, some people experience abnormal heart rhythms, high blood pressure, and heart failure. The FDA also says people who take regular medications or dietary supplements consult their healthcare provider before eating black licorice.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 6PM, 10/26/2012, :21 SEC., LOCAL

AM LIVE SATURDAY 6AM, 10/27/2012, :21 SEC., LOCAL

The south valley celebrated the grand opening of a new health center today. The Family Healthcare Network opened its doors on Road 72 and Avenue 310 in Goshen. The state-of-the-art facility will give families easier access to healthcare because of its location. The health center will offer family and internal medicine, women's health, pediatrics and dental care.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 4PM, 10/23/2012, 1:41 MIN., LOCAL

Two-year-old Labrador retriever Erica has a face you just have to love. When she's not lying down, she's hard at work with her handler David Balentine, visiting service members at the Veteran's Affairs Hospital in Fresno. Several days a week, Erica accompanies David as he makes the rounds in the psychiatric unit. David says Erica's sweet nature can quickly change a patient's attitude. Doctor Jack Shantz says in Erica's six months at the hospital, she's helped many veterans during a difficult time. Erica came to the hospital after being trained at Compassionate Canines For Independence near San Diego. Staff members raised 20-thousand dollars to pay for her. They say she has a gift that touches all and hospital staff says it's just the right kind of medicine for our veterans.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 4PM, 11/02/2012, :32 SEC., LOCAL

More grocery shoppers are using reusable bags but health experts are warning to wash them regularly to avoid contamination from bacteria. Doctor Ryan Sinclair at Loma Linda University tested reusable bags in his lab. He found e-coli and chloroforms many of the same type of bacteria you would find in dirty underwear. He adds, most of us store these in the back of our cars -- a warm,

dark place, the perfect breeding ground for bacteria. He suggests a simple solution: just like underwear, a cycle in the washing machine will get rid of the potentially harmful bacteria.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 11PM, 11/03/2012, 1:32 MIN..LOCAL

You might know your blood pressure and cholesterol numbers but what about your "mental health number?" Action News anchor Margot Kim shows you a 3-minute test that could predict your mental fitness. Some people look at their apps as a form of entertainment, but Doctor Steven Davis says this app could change your life! Called Whats-My-M-3, he says the three minute test has been medically proven to reliably screen for depression, anxiety, bipolar disorder and post-traumatic stress disorder.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 4PM, 11/04/2012, :38 SEC..LOCAL

We all know heart attacks' most devastating costs are in human suffering but a new study reveals how much we pay in other ways. New research presented at the American Heart Association's scientific session in Los Angeles, people with acute coronary syndrome could face lost income from work and in some cases, the inability to go back to their jobs. Researchers found the annual healthcare cost for each health event was more than eight thousand dollars per worker. They also discovered employees with ACS lost approximately 60 days of work, on short term disability and 397 days on long term. And for their employers, disability costs eight-thousand dollars per each short term claim and up to 52-thousand dollars for long term disability per patient.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 4PM, 11/12/2012, :30 SEC.. LOCAL

A south valley hospital is being demolished. Find out what will replace it and what it means to healthcare for area residents.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 4PM, 11/12/2012, :34 SEC.. LOCAL

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 6PM, 11/12/2012, :34 SEC.. LOCAL

This afternoon, the California Department of Veteran's Affairs is preparing to fill hundreds of positions at the Central Fresno Veterans Home. The California Department of Veteran's Affairs is looking for compassionate and talented staff to care for elderly and disabled veterans at the new facility. Cal-Vet wants to fill hundreds of positions including nursing, pharmacy, mental health and social services. Right now, they're creating employment eligibility lists and posting job announcement bulletins for open positions. In January, they'll host recruitment fairs at the Fresno facility which will provide details about the positions and the application process.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 4PM, 11/13/2012, :27 SEC.. LOCAL

Fresno County's series of free vaccination clinics is coming to an end, but if you haven't received yours yet, there's still time. The Fresno County Department of Public Health has two more clinics scheduled. This morning, families were at the Ted C. Wills Center getting their shots. It costs four dollars per shot and medical for children and Medicare Part B are accepted. The vaccine will protect against three main flu viruses expected to be most common this year. Two more clinics are scheduled: one this Friday, and another one next month.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 5PM, 11/13/2012, :26 SEC.. LOCAL

In the state of California, over 526,000 babies are born in the state. 53,000 of those babies are born preterm, or 9.6%. We know that babies that are born before 36 weeks gestation have a harder time in life. California's preterm birth rate dropped about a half-percent from last year. Health experts partially credit state programs that educate women about proper healthcare during pregnancy.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 4PM, 11/15/2012, :55 SEC., LOCAL

The Renaissance at Santa Clara prominently stands out in an area where the homeless have long built shelters. Next week some of Fresno's homeless will begin to move into this aptly named complex. Residents of these studio apartments will be selected through a vulnerability index registry. A city survey took note of people's health conditions, age and length of homelessness.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 5PM, 11/15/2012, :30 SEC., LOCAL

Madera residents will soon have a new place to get medical and dental care. Camarena Health is building a new facility on south A Street near Yosemite Avenue. The new center is scheduled to open in early 2014. Local leaders took part in a groundbreaking ceremony for the new facility yesterday. The company CEO says the center will help revitalize the downtown area and provide much needed services for Madera families. Construction will be funded with a nearly five million dollar grant under the federal Affordable Care Act.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 5PM, 11/15/2012, :27 SEC., LOCAL

According to a new health care study, the United States will require at least 52-thousand more family doctors in the year 2025 to keep up with the growing and increasingly older population. The predictions also reflect the passage of the Affordable Care Act, a change that will expand health insurance coverage to an additional 38 million Americans. Health experts say the government should start taking steps now to address the problem before it gets out of hand.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 4PM, 11/20/2012, 1:20 MIN., LOCAL

Clovis Community's multi-million dollar renovation continues to take shape. The 5-story bed tower opens on November 28th. Action News got a sneak peek inside the hospital and the recovery rooms which give patients lots of technology at their fingertips. Patients will also be able to relax in their own private rooms as some of them look more like a hotel room than a hospital.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 11PM, 11/21/2012, 1:30 MIN., LOCAL

On Health Watch, a new study shows increased breast cancer screenings are doing very little to reduce the amount of deaths from the disease. The research was released today in the New England Journal of Medicine and studied thirty years of data. According to the findings - about a third of all tumors discovered by mammograms are unlikely to cause illness. The research claims that breast cancer exams resulted in the over-diagnosis of more than a million American women leading to unnecessary treatment. Some radiologists denounce the study as harmful to women and some say it is a part of a campaign to reduce healthcare expenses.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 4PM, 12/04/2012, :25 SEC., LOCAL

The US is having its earliest flu season in nearly a decade and this week happens to be National Influenza Vaccination Week. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommends an annual flu vaccination for everyone over six months of age. The season for influenza illness typically peaks in January or February in the United States. Five states have already reported high levels of flu-like illnesses. The Fresno County Department of Public Health will hold flu vaccination clinics.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 4PM, 12/07/2012, :21 SEC., LOCAL

The Federal government forecasts a 25 percent increase in pharmacist jobs over the next ten years with the need especially high in the valley. A privately-funded pharmacy school is the first college of the California Health Sciences University. The school looks to employ over fifty faculty and graduate about 80 pharmacists a year. Classes are expected to begin in fall of 2014.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 11PM, 12/08/2012 1:34 MIN.LOCAL

The head of the FDA's office of new drugs says quality control in manufacturing plants is causing nationwide recalls and massive drug shortages. According to the American Society of Healthcare System Pharmacists we've seen shortages just about quadruple from 74 in 2005 to 267 in 2011. The problems hit every drug class. But the majority is generic sterile injectable. Medications used in everything from giving sick babies the nutrition they need to surgical anesthesia to cancer treatments. A government report finds while the injectable make up only a small percentage of the overall prescription drug market in 2011 they accounted for 74-percent of drug shortages. Duke Hospital pharmacist Gene Rhea says some of his colleagues compare it to working in a third world country.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 5PM, 12/10/2012, :30 SEC., LOCAL

Some central valley nurses are worried about their own fiscal cliff one that could impact healthcare. Action News reporter Stephanie Stone is live in downtown Fresno with their concerns. National nurses united say their answer to the fiscal cliff is a proposed Senate bill pushing a tax on stock trades.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 4PM 12/17/2012, :40 SEC., LOCAL

Debby Dailey left for Newtown, Connecticut on Saturday. When she arrived at Sandy Hook elementary she tried to emotionally distance herself from a site which has caused so much pain to people near and far. Dailey says the small, close-knit community of Newtown reminds her of Mariposa. She has been spending time at a Red Cross family assistance center counseling families and making sure their healthcare needs are met.

ACTION NEWS MIDDAY, 12/19/2012, :28 SEC., LOCAL

In Health Watch this Midday, calling 911 as soon as symptoms of a heart attack begin could save lives. The American Heart Association recently published new guidelines for treating heart attacks. They say how fast a doctor can treat severe heart attacks can determine the patient's prognosis. The most common symptom of a heart attack is chest pain or discomfort. Other indicators include a nagging stomach ache, unexplained pain in the shoulder, jaw or arm and shortness of breath.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 6PM, 12/19/2012, :25 SEC., LOCAL

A south valley hospital is teaming up with a rural school district to provide much-needed medical care. Tulare District Hospital announced its building the Earlimart Healthcare Center with the help of funding from the Affordable Care Act. The hospital and the Earlimart School District collaborated on the new clinic which will have six exam rooms and provide pediatric, specialty and family health care. The school-based healthcare center will be located just south of Earlimart's school campus.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 5PM 12/21/2012, :28 SEC., LOCAL

A coalition of child advocates in California is voicing concern about the plan to move hundreds of thousands of children into the medical program. On January first, the state will begin transitioning nearly 900-thousand low-income kids from its healthy families insurance program -- to Medi-Cal. The latest state budget eliminated the healthy families program. Health care officials are worried there won't be enough doctors to serve all of the new children coming into the program.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 11PM, 12/21/2012, 2:01 MIN.LOCAL'**ACTION NEWS AM LIVE 12/22/2012, 2:01 MIN.. LOCAL**

Orange Cove residents say the dangerous levels of nitrates found in the city's water supply couldn't have come at a worse time. Many are expecting family members to arrive in town in the next few days to celebrate Christmas and tell us they're in desperate need of safe water to shower, cook and

clean. The California Department of Public Health has announced it will provide the community of Orange Cove with up to 250,000 dollars to clean up the contaminated water. The funds will also go towards purchasing water for members of the community.

AM LIVE SUNDAY, 6AM & 8AM, 12/23/2012,:28 SEC., LOCAL

Hundreds of medical cards are in the hands of the wrong recipients. California health officials say they sent more than 26-hundred benefit ID cards to the wrong families. Officials say the cards were for children in the healthy family's insurance program that will be switched to medical next month. The cards include names and birthdates but officials with the Department of Health Care Services say there's little chance the mistake will lead to fraud or identity theft.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 5PM, 12/24/2012, 20 SEC., LOCAL

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 6PM, 12/24/2012, :20 SEC., LOCAL

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 11PM, 12/24/2012, :20 SEC., LOCAL

The city of Orange Cove hopes state health officials will decide their water is safe to drink before the end of the week. Meanwhile, residents are spending their holiday hauling water home.

Hundreds lined up for free supplies of clean water again today. It's the fourth day the water in their homes has been unsafe to drink. Nitrate contamination from agricultural sources has fouled the city water supply.

<u>PSA TITLE</u>	<u>LENGTH</u>	<u>AIRINGS</u>
DAY OF CARING	:15	7
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ROADBLOCK: BARMATH	:30	28
ROADBLOCK: MONKEYONBACK	:30	23
TOP TEN WOMEN: MARJAREE MASON		
CENTER SHELTER	:30	182
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KIDDE FIRE SYSTEMS	:30	20

EDUCATIONAL ISSUES 4TH QUARTER 2012

CHILDREN FIRST: THE DIGITAL FAMILY

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2012 @ 6:30PM, :30 MIN., LOCAL

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2012 @ 10:00AM, :30 MIN., LOCAL

Smartphones, iPads and social media! It's enough to give parents a high-tech headache. ABC30 has solutions to help you keep up with your kids. This Sunday, ABC30 airs a half-hour special, "Children First: The Digital Family." Action News anchors Dale Yurong and Graciela Moreno host the program on Sunday, November 11 at 6:30 p.m.

Just because you're Facebook friends with your kids doesn't mean you see everything. Discover the hottest social media sites that kids, teens and college students are using. Check out the top 10 apps that help parents balance parenthood, work and home life. See the local high school where textbooks are out and iPads are in. Plus, three members of a digital family share their cool iPad tips for the entire family.

Need assistance with homework? We'll show parents and kids how to get free help over the phone or online and which apps to use. Meet our machine gun mommy! Watch what happens when she lets her 7-year-old son teach her how to play video games. Education experts explain why you shouldn't fear technology and instead, embrace it.

THE 67TH ANNUAL CANDY CANE LANE PARADE
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2012 @ 7:00PM, 1 HOUR, LOCAL
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 25, 2012 @ 5PM, 1 HOUR, LOCAL

Bring your blankets, chairs and hot cocoa and join ABC30 for a night of storybook fun at "The 67th Annual Candy Cane Lane Parade." The Central Valley's oldest nighttime parade takes off down Main Street in Visalia on Monday, Nov. 26, 2012 at 7 p.m. Action News anchors Dale Yurong and Christine Park will guide you through every colorful float and performance while Weatherman Angelo Stalis works the parade from the ground level. ABC30's high definition cameras will capture all the holiday action from every angle for our one-hour special on the parade.

The Candy Cane Lane Parade winds down a mile-and-a-half path through Downtown Visalia with 30,000 people looking on. This year's theme is "A Fairy Tale Christmas." More than 90 entries will dazzle Main Street, from the best South Valley high school bands to award-winning floats. This year's grand marshal is Jack Hayslett, who's been a judge of the Candy Cane Lane Parade for the past 49 years and a member of the Visalia Optimist Club since 1973. He'll be escorted by the Goshen Mounted Police.

LATINO LIFE, SUNDAY, OCTOBER 14TH, 2012, 10AM, :30 MIN., LOCAL

Segment #1: Support For Southeast Fresno- Get involved with the Southeast Fresno Community Economic Development Association. Guests: Jose Leon Barraza-SEFCEDA & Dr. Nellie Neri-SEFCEDA

Segment #2: Trailblazers for Prosperity Awards Luncheon
Wednesday, November 14, 2012, 11:30am-1:30pm
Fresno Fairgrounds Industrial Education Building (559) 453-0124 www.sefceda.org

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CLEAR MENTORING SUMMIT
Friday, October 19 7:30am-3:00pm Fresno State Residence Dining Hall
(559) 431-5600 www.clearvoz.com

Segment #4: Latino Educators Unite-The state conference of The Association of Mexican American Educators. Guests: Pat Gutierrez-AMAE & Francisco Corchado-AMAE
AMAE STATE CONFERENCE November 2-3
Airport Holiday Inn Register (559) 978-5798 www.amae.org

CALENDAR EVENTS
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Veterans Day Ceremony
Friday, November 9 Noon
Veterans Peace Memorial Fresno City College

Segment #3: Latinos & SATs-Why more Latinos are taking the SATs.
Dia De Los Muertos- Special exhibit at Arte Americas honors the dead.

CALENDAR EVENTS

Selena Look Alike-Sound A like Contest
Friday, November 24 5pm Community Center for Arts & Technology
(559) 273-4914 www.ccatfresno.org

LATINO LIFE, NOVEMBER 18, 2012, 10AM, :30 MIN., LOCAL

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Fashion show, brunch, silent auction 10am
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American Sabor
Latinos in U.S. Popular Music November 17-January 20,2012
Arte Americas 1630 Van Ness, Downtown Fresno (559) 266-2623

VALLEY FOCUS, SUNDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2012, :30 MIN., LOCAL

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www.Swedefest.com

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Sunday, November 11 6 p.m. Tower Theatre; Free

Segment #2 Living History-Details on the Civil War Revisited
Guests: Cindy Wathen-Fresno Historical Society "Abraham Lincoln" - The 16th President

Segment #3 Civil War Revisited Today Gates Open At 10 a.m.
Battle Reenactments-11:00, 2:30 p.m. www.Valleyhistory.org

CALENDAR EVENTS

Cala Gala-Dia De Los Muertos
Friday, November 2 5-10 p.m.
Fulton Mall To Arte Americas
(559)266-2623

Candy Cane Lane Parade
Monday, November 26 7 p.m.
Main Street Visalia

VALLEY FOCUS, SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2012, :30 MIN., LOCAL

Segment #1 Check before you burn- you could pay a price for using your fireplace during no burn days. Guest: Jaime Holt-SJ Air Pollution Control District

Wood-burning forecasts www.valleyair.org 1-800-smog-info

Segment #2: Great American Smokeout- valley health organization encouraging businesses to ban smoking inside and outside facilities. Guest: Malissa Rose-Adventist Health/Central Valley Network & Doris Tetz Carpenter-Adventist Health/Central Valley Network

Great American Smokeout
November 15 Sign Up Your Business www.No-smoke.org

Resources to Help You Quit Smoking
www.tobaccofreecv.org

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Guest: Steven Voon-Tzu Chi Fresno Medical Team

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Mosqueda Center 4670 E. Butler Fresno (559) 481-1498
www.Tzuchi.fresnomedicalteam.org

VALLEY FOCUS, SUNDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2012, :30 MIN., LOCAL

Segment #1: Educators of the Year- Meet Fresno County's Teacher of the Year, Administrator of the Year and Employee of the Year. Guests: Jennifer Quinn-Yovino-Fresno County Office of Education, William Magnusson-Firebaugh High School, Ed Gomes-Yosemite Middle School & Salvador Cisneros-Burrel Union Elementary.

Educator of The Year Awards
www.fcoe.org

Segment #2: Christmas Calories-Don't let those holiday meals and parties get out of hand, how to limit your calories but still have fun! Guest: Rhonda Murphy-Rhonda's Fitness

Rhonda's Fitness
(559) 431-3600
www.Rhofit.com

CALENDAR EVENTS

Christmas Open House
Downtown Exeter Thursday, December 20 5pm-9pm Exeter Kiwanis-Mixter Park

Christmas Tree Lane
Now-December 25 Sunday-Thursday 6pm-10pm
Friday-Saturday 6pm-11pm www.christmastreelane.com

New Year's Eve Party
Tigers for Life
Monday, December 31 8pm-1am International Event Center (559) 312-7476

New Year's Dress Up For Best Dressed Kids
Focus Forward Benefit
Monday, December 31 7:30pm-?
Wedgewood Wedding & Banquet Center 4584 W. Jacquelyn Fresno
Semi-Formal event
Cocktails, Buffet Dinner
Dancing-Joe Lenigan Band
VIP Lounge with games and cigars
Attendees encouraged to bring new jeans or tennis shoes for kid's
www.developdesigndoit.com
(559) 222-7366

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 5PM, 10/18/2012, :43 SEC., LOCAL

Hundreds of north valley high school students are getting inspired to pursue a U.C. education. Several recent UC Merced graduates spoke to students at Merced High today. They shared advice and personal stories about how they attained a higher education. Other speakers also talked to the students about programs available to help them, including financial aid. The university's chancellor told the teens about a special scholarship for incoming freshman from Merced High who attend U.C. Merced.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 5PM, 10/18/2012, 1:31 MIN.LOCAL

A safety message echoed throughout classrooms in California as an estimated 9.3 million people in the state took part in the Great Shakeout, a national emergency preparedness drill that gives schools, businesses and government agencies an opportunity to review and update their plans in case of an earthquake.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 6PM, 10/18/2012, :46 SEC..LOCAL

Clovis High School students involved in their schools automotive class have received national recognition. The automotive training program received accreditation by the National Automotive

Technician's Education Foundation or NATEF. Students were presented with certificates of completion today. The NATEF chair says students who graduate from this program will be employable entry-level auto technicians.

ACTION NEWS LIVES AT 5PM, 10/18/2012:22 SEC., LOCAL

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 6PM, 10/18/2012, :22 SEC., LOCAL

Fresno State students debated the future of education today and how Proposition 30 could affect their future. Both proponents and opponents discussed the ballot initiative which, if approved, increases income and sales taxes in order to fund schools and public safety. Opponents say there's no guarantee that the money will go where it's intended.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 6PM, 10/19/2012, :20 SEC., LOCAL

AM LIVE SATURDAY 6AM, 8AM, 10/20/2012, :20 SEC., LOCAL

"The Best Me Is Drug Free." That's the theme of this year's national anti-drug campaign also known as "Red Ribbon Week". Starting Monday schools all over the country will take part in a host of activities promoting drug and alcohol-free lifestyles. Action News Education reporter Linda Mumma visited one valley campus today and showed how it's raising awareness about the destruction caused by drugs.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 4PM, 10/22/2012, :19 SEC., LOCAL

ACTION NEWS AM LIVE, 10/23/2012, :19 SEC., LOCAL

The largest school district in the valley is continuing to see academic progress despite facing some financial obstacles. Fresno Unified's superintendent painted an optimistic picture for the district at the "State of the District" luncheon. Action News reporter Carlos Saucedo shows us that despite the progress, administrators acknowledge more work needs to be done.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 5PM, 10/23/2012, :24 SEC., LOCAL

The recent announcement Fresno United's academic performance index scores are on the rise is cause for extra special celebration at Lowell Elementary in central Fresno. Lowell's 2012 APL score is 750 and represents a 42-point increase over last year. The school met and exceeded its growth targets school-wide and the Hispanic subgroup scored 748-points, an increase of 41-points from 2011. Lowell's principal says the improvements came with a lot of hard work by teachers at the school.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 11PM, 10/23/2012, :55 SEC., LOCAL

What sounds like a lot of math is actually a focused discussion about currents basically the formulas to prevent explosions major blasts of electricity. Clashing, that's just one aspect of the apprenticeship program -- teaching its members to become electricians at the Fresno Area Electrical Training Center. But what do currents and electricians have to do with proposition 30?

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 4PM, 10/24/2012, :17 SEC. LOCAL

This garden consists of 12 plots and is one component of the El Dorado Park Education Project funded by the California Endowment. In addition to the garden, the project also includes a farmers market which is hosted by Wesley United Church and Fresno State Department of Agricultural students.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 6PM, 10/24/2012, :28 SEC., LOCAL

State prisons now have the space to conduct anger management and criminal thinking classes aimed at rehabilitating inmates. Last year, the inmate population in California's state prisons was significantly reduced making it possible to help prisoners prepare for re-entry into the public. By

transferring lower level offenders to county jails, more physical space was made to conduct classes, group therapy and family counseling.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 6PM, 10/25/2012, :41 SEC., LOCAL

Dozens of U.C. Merced groups are setting up exhibits here in downtown for city's final farmers market of the year. The students are hoping to show the community everything their campus has to offer as they celebrate a decade of progress. Ten years ago, state and local leaders took part in a groundbreaking ceremony for the first new UC campus in four decades. Four years later, three students made up the first graduating class. Now the campus is filled with more than 57-hundred students.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 4PM, 10/26/2012, 1:18 MIN., LOCAL

The Civil War was introduced to local students in a bold way. On Friday, valley school kids got to see what life was like for Americans during the 18th and 19th centuries. Dozens of outdoor classrooms and artisans provided students with a hands-on. These blacksmiths explained how people in the Civil War made horseshoes and tools. They also learned how to make everyday products like brooms. And a piece of history came alive with historical figures like Abraham Lincoln. History enthusiasts say this event helps the valley keep connected with the past.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 11PM, 12/26/2012, 1:06 MIN., LOCAL

Fresno Unified district administrators plan to burn the midnight oil working on a final draft of a grant application. They're hoping the federal government will choose them for the Department of Education's race to the top program. But they're probably wasting their time because late this afternoon the Fresno Teachers Association let Superintendent Michael Hanson know they would not be signing the grant application.

ACTION NEWS AM LIVE 6AM & 8AM, 10/27/2012, :26 SEC., LOCAL

Thousands of valley students got a chance to go back in time for their history lesson. Yesterday, the Fresno Historical Society held education day for the event Civil War revisited. The reenactment gives students a chance to see what life was like for Americans in the 1800s. Kids also visited outdoor classrooms and artisans provided students with a hands-on education. Blacksmiths explained how people in the Civil War made horseshoes and tools.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 11P.M 10/29/2012, :30 SEC., LOCAL

AM LIVE SATURDAY 6AM & 8AM, 10/30/2012, :30 SEC., LOCAL

Application submissions were originally due tomorrow and considering the district and the union was at an impasse on Friday, it was doubtful it would be mailed in on time. But the U.S Department Of Education pushed back the deadline indefinitely because of the east coast storm. Last week, the district and Fresno teacher's union could not come to terms on the wording of the 200-page grant application. The grant would benefit Pre-K to third grade students.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 6PM, 10/30/2012, :26 SEC., LOCAL

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 4PM, 10/30/2012, :26 SEC., LOCAL

City and county leaders are calling on the Fresno Teachers Association to resume talks with Fresno Unified over its grant application for "Race to the Top." If awarded the federal grant, the district would get nearly forty million dollars for early education. The deadline was extended when Hurricane Sandy hit the east coast, which is why Fresno Mayor Ashley Swearingin and council members Oliver Baines and Blong Xiong are urging the teachers union to reconsider its position and return to the table to continue talks.

ACTION NEWS AM LIVE, 11/01/2012, 1:52 MIN., LOCAL

The state and local education system has taken a beating from struggling budgets over the past few years. In less than a week we'll know whether Governor Jerry Brown's tax initiative Proposition 30 will pass. The prop would draw an additional six billion tax dollars into the state over the next seven years and much needed money for the California State University system.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 4PM, 11/02/2012, :17 SEC., LOCAL

The Central Unified Teachers Association signed off on the more than 200 page document last night and the district says it received receipt of the applications arrival at the Department of Education in Washington D.C. this morning. It will now wait until December to find out whether it was selected.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 6PM 11/07/2012, :35 SEC., LOCAL

Today's a big day for the candidates vying for the Fresno Unified School Board seat vacated by Dr. Tony Vang. Four people are being interviewed tonight. Vang resigned in September amid controversy over whether he actually lived in the McLane high area he was elected to represent. According to the elections office - he registered to vote outside that area for three years.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 5PM 11/07/2012, 1:42 MIN., LOCAL

For the first time ever, the California State University opened a polling place on campus and more than 1,000 registered voters cast their ballots. Students at Fresno State and all over California worked tirelessly to educate others about the impacts of the measure and many of them tell us a lot was at stake.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 4PM, 11/12/2012, :19 SEC., LOCAL

Students in the California State University system have seen tuition increase from 3,000 dollars five years ago to 5,500 dollars today. Now that Prop 30 passed they won't see a new general increase, but CSU Chancellor Charles Reed is rushing through a proposal that would impose three new fees on students for the Fall 2013 term.

ACTION NEWS AM LIVE, 11/13/2012, :37 SEC., LOCAL

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 6PM, 11/13/2012, :37 SEC., LOCAL

College students who stick around longer than four years could soon be paying a lot more to stay on campus. The California State University Board of Trustees are expected to vote today on a so-called "graduation incentive fee." The fee would basically triple the cost of classes for students who have completed more than 160 units. Since most majors only require 120 units, University officials say the move would help free up more than 30 thousand classroom seats for students who need classes to graduate. But opponents say the fees are unfair especially if you are working on a double major.

ACTION NEWS AM LIVE, 11/15/2012, :33 SEC., LOCAL

Last night former Fresno Unified teacher and father of five, Christopher de la Cerda, took the seat left vacant by Tony Vang. Vang resigned in September following allegations he lived and voted outside the area he served. De la Cerda was appointed last week after the board interviewed four candidates for the position. He tells Action News after spending the last few years looking after his own child with special needs it was time to return to education and give back to the community.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 5PM, 11/15/2012, 1:55 MIN., LOCAL

Students are waiting to hear on whether they were selected to take part in a free tutoring program. The program is offered at schools identified by the state as "in need of improvement." Many come from Spanish speaking families and struggle with language, reading and writing. But not all of the students will get into the program. That's because more than 14-thousand Fresno Unified students

have applied so far and the district can only accept about 5-thousand applicants. A frustrating reality not only for students' families, but district officials who say less than half of those selected to participate in the program last year finished. Many dropped out before using all of the sessions they were given taking away spots from other struggling students desperate to get in.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 4PM, 12/04/2012, :19 SEC., LOCAL

A pilot program at Fresno Unified is expanding to help more at-risk students stay in school and on track to graduate. And in turn those students are giving back to their community. Action News education reporter Linda Mumma introduces us to the Men's Alliance Program and shows us how it's helping middle school boys turn their lives around.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 5PM, 12/05/2012, :35 SEC., LOCAL

The Fresno Unified School District announced today that families will not be charged fees for participating in preschool programs this year. Several months ago, the California Department of Education said a provision in this year's state budget made it necessary for many school districts in the state to charge a family fee for participation in state-funded preschool programs.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 4PM, 12/07/2012, :30 SEC., LOCAL

Every one of these students at Firebaugh Middle School has their own reasons for signing up for the band. Teachers here say music is good for everyone. This is the first year Ryan Dirlam has taught at the district. His position was created from money generated right here under the sun. Three years ago Firebaugh schools slashed the schools choir and band program because of a tight budget.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 6PM, 12/11/2012, :30 SEC., LOCAL

The "Race to the Top" is over and a south valley school district of four-thousand students came out on top. Lindsay Unified beat out hundreds of other districts nationwide to win 10 million dollars in federal grant money. Action News reporter Carlos Saucedo spoke with educators and students in Lindsay today and shows the learning system that put them over the top. Students in this high school classroom are learning. But all at their own level and the accelerated students teach those who are struggling. Student performance-based learning is an innovative system that Lindsay Unified adopted several years ago. On Tuesday, the Federal Government recognized the district's approach with a 10 million dollar grant.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 5PM, 12/14/2012, :27 SEC., LOCAL

The tens of thousands of California high school students who drop out of school each year are costing the state billions of dollars. The information comes from a U.C. Santa Barbara research project on state dropouts. Education experts say students who don't finish high school are also less likely to contribute to the economy and are more likely to engage in criminal activity. Experts say school intervention programs are one key to keeping kids in the classroom.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 4PM, 12/26/2012, :31 SEC., LOCAL

California has lost a bid to avoid requirements of the federal "No Child Left Behind Law." The San Jose Mercury News says. The state was notified last Friday that its request for a waiver was denied. The Federal Education Act requires yearly improvements in test scores and punishes districts that fail to achieve the goals. California has resisted a requirement that it evaluate teachers based, in part, on how well their students score on standardized tests. State education officials say the goal is unrealistic and the law's provisions are burdensome. Thirty-three states and the District of Columbia have won waivers.

PSA TITLE	LENGTH	AIRINGS
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HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH	:30	29
TOP TEN WOMEN MARJAREE		
MASON CENTER SHELTER	:30	182
COMMUNITY CALENDAR	:30	329
ABC30/CAT HOUSE ON THE KINGS	:15	54

JOBS & HOMELESSNESS ISSUES IN THE VALLEY 4TH QUARTER 2012

LATINO LIFE, SUNDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2012, 10AM, :30 MIN., LOCAL

Segment #1: Support For Southeast Fresno- Get involved with the Southeast Fresno Community Economic Development Association. Guests: Jose Leon Barraza-SEFCEDA & Dr. Nellie Neri-SEFCEDA

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Drop off A New Unwrapped Toy or Donate Cash

CALENDAR EVENTS

Festival of Toys
Wednesday, October 31 6-9 p.m.
north side Christian Church
Bring a New Toy-Donation (559)323-9675

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Analysts say agriculture and teaching jobs are a big part of the improvement in both Fresno and Merced counties. But local leaders tell me they are starting to see more businesses moving in as well. Employees are busy working at the new laird manufacturing plant in Merced. The company that sells cattle feeding equipment is expanding to this large facility near the airport and hiring more people. Local leaders say the move is part of a positive economic trend.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 6PM, 10/20/2012, :20 SEC., LOCAL

A valley Olympian helped celebrate the opening of a new store in north Fresno today. Comcast just opened this location at River Park. Olympic boxer Jose Ramirez, from Avenal, showed up to greet fans and pose for pictures. Several local leaders also took part in the reception. Comcast says this new store will allow customers to be more interactive with their products. It also created jobs for seven employees.

AM LIVE SUNDAY 8AM, 10/21/2012, :29 SEC.LOCAL

Women are finding their way back into the workforce. Until now, the economic upswing had been more favorable to men. But the revival is now becoming more balanced between the two genders. The number of women employees has jumped by 300-thousand in the past six months. That's nearly the same amount as men. In September, men and women each saw a job gain of 57 thousand jobs. The National Women's Law Center says women have recovered 32-percent of the jobs lost in the recession, while men have gained back 43-percent.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 6PM, 10/22/2012, :16 SEC., LOCAL

Your credit score can have a huge impact on your ability to manage your financial life and it can also hurt your chances of getting a job. Financial experts say it is the one number we should all pay closer attention to. In tonight's Valley Works, Juanita Stevenson explains how you can save your credit even when you're facing financial difficulties.

ACTION NEWS AM LIVE, 10/24/2012, :22 SEC., LOCAL

College-educated women are earning thousands of dollars less than their male peers. A new report from the American Association of University Women found women who worked full time jobs one year after getting their diplomas earned 82 cents for every dollar men earned. Researchers say newly graduated women earn an average of 35-thousand dollars a year while men earned 43-thousand. That's nearly an 8-thousand dollar difference.

ACTION NEWS AM LIVE, 10/24/2012, 1:19 MIN., LOCAL

ACTION NEWS MIDDAY, 10/24/2012, 1:19 MIN., LOCAL

Governor Jerry Brown is trying to sway voters about Proposition 30, and he paid a visit to a Fresno trade school to make his point. The ballot initiative increases taxes to fund schools. Those who make more than 250 thousand would see a spike in taxes. The Governor said students deserve better and that this proposition is critical to their future and the future of California. He claims the state will have fewer teachers and fewer resources if this initiative does not pass.

ACTION NEWS AM LIVE, 10/25/2012, :25 SEC., LOCAL

The weekly unemployment report was just released. The Labor Department says US unemployment benefit applications fell to 369 thousand last week. Analysts say this might be one of the most important job numbers this year because it could play a key role in the November election. Coming up, we will see how the markets are reacting to the new numbers.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 4PM, 10/25/2012, :45 SEC., LOCAL

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 6PM, 10/25/2012, :45 SEC., LOCAL

ACTION NEWS AM LIVE, 10/26/2012, :45 SEC., LOCAL

ACTION NEWS MIDDAY, 10/26/2012, :45 SEC., LOCAL

A job fair will be held tomorrow and Saturday from nine am to six pm, in the former Gottschalk's building in the Sierra Vista Mall. China Peak Mountain Resort is getting ready for the upcoming winter season and is looking to fill more than 400 seasonal positions. The resort is holding its annual job fair in Clovis. Interviews will be held for a wide range of positions, including food service, parking, accounting, hotel staff, lift operations, grooming, ski and snowboard instructors, and even snowmaking. Many positions require no experience and some housing options are available.

AM LIVE SATURDAY 8AM, 10/27/2012, :30 SEC., LOCAL

More than 200 students attended the Children's Hospital Central California job fair. Some will shadow hospital employees in the future.

ACTION NEWS AM LIVE, 10/31/2012, :48 SEC., LOCAL

People in Fresno are getting a chance discuss the plan to privatize residential garbage pick-up. City council members hosted the event at the Hinton Community Center in southeast Fresno last night. The city says privatizing trash pickup would bring in about two and half million dollars each year in franchise fees paid to the city. Critics of the plan say that some 200 city workers could lose their jobs.

ACTION NEWS AM LIVE, 10/31/2012, 1:06 MIN., LOCAL

Candidates for the valley's 16th Congressional District faced off in the north valley last night addressing a number of issues during a candidate's forum at U.C. Merced. Republican Brian Whelen is challenging the Democratic incumbent Jim Costa for the newly drawn district. During the forum members of the audience were invited to submit questions that were asked of both candidates. From the start, both candidates named job creation as a top priority and because water plays such a crucial role to the valley's economy, it was only a matter of time before the candidates were asked about the valley's water crisis.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 4PM 10/31/2012, :10 SEC. LOCAL

Then the new laboratory dedications at Edison High School in southwest Fresno that will help prepare students for green energy jobs with PG&E.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 6PM, 10/31/2012, 1:55 MIN., LOCAL

They have weathered budget cuts and furloughs. Now many of those public employees who received pink slips are facing the reality that their jobs may never come back. Those city council meetings you could view online, or press conferences with the Mayor, getting that information to the public were Bryce Marshall's job as a Fresno city employee.

ACTION NEWS AMLIVE, 11/02/2012, :22 SEC., LOCAL

Late breaking news on the new monthly jobs report. For the month of October, U.S. employers added 171-thousand jobs. The unemployment rate is up slightly to 7.9 percent. Analysts say this report could be crucial to the election. It's the last look at the health of the country's jobs market before voters go to the polls. Coming up, we will go live to the NASDAQ to see how the markets are reacting to the new numbers.

AM LIVE SATURDAY 8AM, 11/03/2012, 1:35 MIN., LOCAL

Those city council meetings you could view online or press conferences with the Mayor and getting that information to the public were Bryce Marshall's job as a Fresno city employee. As the multi-media coordinator for Fresno city, the former television news photographer was happy he could use his current skills and learn new ones, plus he no longer had to work weekends and holidays.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 4PM, 11/05/2012, 30 SEC., LOCAL

Consumer Reports index trouble tracker measures financial problems like missing a loan payment. In November, the trouble tracker fell to its lowest level - since Consumer Reports began tracking it in early 2009. Fewer people reported problems in the eight key areas, including losing health care coverage, being denied a personal loan or seeing their credit card rates or fees increase. The Consumer Reports' employment index also reached a high point this month meaning more Americans are finding jobs than losing them.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 6PM, 11/05/2012, :30 SEC., LOCAL

It was one of those moments you might remember from the second presidential debate -- a young college student, asking both candidates about his chances of getting a job once he graduated. In tonight's Valley Works, Juanita Stevenson is here with what many students are doing to increase their chances of getting hired.

ACTION NEWS AM LIVE, 11/12/2012, :34 SEC., LOCAL

The California Department of Veteran's Affairs is preparing to fill hundreds of positions at the central Fresno Veterans Home. The California Department of Veteran's Affairs is looking for compassionate and talented staff to care for elderly and disabled veterans at the new facility. Cal-Vet wants to fill hundreds of positions including nursing, pharmacy, mental health and social services. Right now, they're creating employment eligibility list and posting job announcement bulletins for open positions. In January, they'll host recruitment fairs at the Fresno facility, which will provide details about the positions and the application process.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 4PM, 11/13/2012, :37 SEC., LOCAL

We went to Hawke-Pak which manufactures bags and specialty gear. The company was started by Ed Hawke in 1988 after the former ambulance employee couldn't find the perfect bag for his equipment. Since then, law enforcement agencies and counties around the country have called in custom orders. They even send products overseas to Australia and Europe. Hawke says he is proud to make a durable product that makes it easier for emergency responders to do their job.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 5PM 11/13/2012, 1:00 MIN..LOCAL

A new distribution center is now open in the south valley and that means dozens of new jobs. VWR opened its facility on Riggin and Plaza Drive in Visalia. Action News reporter Carlos Saucedo got a tour today and takes us inside the new business. Before the start of the work day, employees, managers and civic leaders celebrated the opening of VWR's newest facility in Visalia. VWR is a global distributor of lab supply and services. The half million square foot building took two years to complete and being the size of eight football fields. It's the company's largest facility.

ACTION NEWS AM LIVE, 11/15/2012, :20 SEC. LOCAL

Good news if you're looking for a job and have a Facebook account. The social network has launched a new app for job seekers. The job board app gathers listings from different agencies and posts them in one place for your convenience. The app was created through a partnership with the US Department of Labor and three nonprofit labor organizations. The app listed one-point-seven million jobs on its first day.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 6PM, 11/15/2012, :26 SEC. LOCAL**ACTION NEWS AM LIVE, 11/15/2012, :2 SEC.. LOCAL**

A southern California company with offices in Fresno and Clovis is looking for men and women to fill hundreds of new job openings here in the valley. The company Alorica is expanding operations at its call center in northwest Fresno and its Clovis location, adding about four-hundred full-time jobs. The company will be hiring for customer service positions, team managers, and other support positions. Alorica opened its facility in northwest Fresno last year bringing two-hundred new jobs to the city.

ACTION NEWS AM LIVE, 11/16/2012, :27 SEC., LOCAL

A group of Wal-Mart workers are planning to stage a walkout on black Friday. The walkout follows an October strike that started at a Wal-Mart in Los Angeles and spread to stores in 12 other cities. The workers are upset with Wal-Mart because of reduced hours and how some employees with disabilities are treated. Wal-Mart says the number of workers who are raising concerns is very small and don't represent the views of most employees.

ACTION NEWS SPECIAL 8:30PM, 11/17/2012, 1:57 MIN.. LOCAL

Those who showed up wouldn't let the steady drizzle get in the way. Newton is optimistic this in-person interview with Alorica will help her get back into the work-force. Alorica's call center in Fresno and Clovis is looking to hire people to keep up with company's growth. On Saturday every candidate who applied took a test which included undergoing mock customer service calls.

AM LIVE SUNDAY, 8AM, 11/18/2012, 20 SEC., LOCAL

A local call center is looking to fill 400 full time positions, including some at the management level. Hundreds of people showed up at this Alorica job fair in Clovis yesterday. Staff members say they are looking for candidates who excel in customer service positions. Many who applied say they've been through difficult lay-offs.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 6PM, 11/19/2012, 2:00 MIN..LOCAL

The job outlook continues to improve. The latest numbers show the valley has seen a significant drop in unemployment in the past year. But still, more than 55-thousand people filed for unemployment insurance last month in California. That means they are looking for work. In tonight's Valley Works, Juanita Stevenson joins us with some tips for the newly unemployed.

ACTION NEWS AM LIVE, 11/21/2012, :30 MIN..LOCAL

It is unlikely Wal-Mart will be able to stop thousands of employees from walking off the job on black Friday. A judge says an investigation into claims by Wal-Mart that a labor union is illegally organizing picket lines is unlikely to finish before close of business today. That's when federal courts close for the Thanksgiving holiday. The planned walkouts build on a small strike at a Los Angeles Wal-Mart in October that spread to 12 other cities.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 6PM, 11/21/2012, :30 SEC., LOCAL

A local company has been a staple in the community since 1948. But that could soon change. American Medical Response says it's preparing to take over as the county's exclusive provider. AMR is a nationwide company with nearly 17-thousand employees. The director of communications says it's the largest ambulance provider in California and the country.

ACTION NEWS AM LIVE, 11/30/2012, :47 SEC., LOCAL

ACTION NEWS MIDDAY, 11/30/2012, :47 SEC., LOCAL

The City of Fresno is one step closer to selling off the rights to residential waste pick up. In a 4-3 vote, the council approved a plan that would allow Mid-Valley Waste to take over the services from the city. The council heard more than three hours of public comment on both sides last night. The private company says it would pay around 4 million dollars a year in franchise fees. The city says privatization would also reduce your trash rates up to 17 percent. Representatives for the city waste workers say despite the vote their fight is not over. The city says it worked out a deal to get jobs for all 159 affected employees, but at a reduced salary at least for the first year.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 5PM, 12/03/2012, :23 SEC., LOCAL

We're just a few weeks away from a December 31st deadline for Congress and President Obama to reach an agreement on the federal deficit. California also has a great deal at stake in the decision. If a compromise is not reached, California could lose four point five billion dollars in federal funds and more than 200 thousand jobs next year. Those automatic spending cuts take effect January first, 2013.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 6PM, 12/03/2012, 2:00 MIN...LOCAL

Both UPS and Target management say it's important that you treat your seasonal or part-time job like it is a full time position and that you show up and be professional every day. Many employers will be looking to add to their staff after the first of the year and those first in line for a permanent job are the people they hire to help out during the holiday season.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 4PM, 12/06/2012, :30 SEC., LOCAL

Fast food jobs in a slow economy. The big turnout for a job fair in Fresno and the hopeful employees who say any job is better than none at all. Today's job fair comes as the Fresno county unemployment rate sits at 13. 9 percent. The good news, about 30 people left today's job fair with offers of employment.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 6PM, 12/10/2012, :30 SEC., LOCAL

Citibank, Xerox even a Bank of America call center in Fresno have all announced end of the year lay-offs. Companies announcing job cuts at the end of the year may discourage some job-seekers from looking for work now. Juanita Stevenson joins us with tonight's Valley Works with why the holiday season may be a good time to look. Tis the season for holiday shopping and parties...a festive mood as people prepare to celebrate the season. It seems to affect the workplace as folks look forward to time off, including the bosses -- a big reason many job-seekers may choose to put their search for

employment on hold. Barbara Beckerley, a Human Resources Specialist, says there are a number of reasons to continue your job search through the holidays.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 6PM, 12/11/2012, :23 SEC., LOCAL

They were expanding to offer their free services to more families. The Pops program helps fathers become responsible parents committed by providing them with job training and parenting skills, as well as connecting them to employment services. In its first year, the program was able to help nearly 190 families. Now, they will be expanding to provide their services to families in Fresno County.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 4PM 12/14/2012, :30 SEC..LOCAL

Fresno State students got in the holiday spirit today creating decorations while giving back to the community at the same time. The women's "Campus Connection" offers professional and job training - but sometimes they take the opportunity to have a little fun. Michael's came to campus to teach wreath making and give a bow demonstration. While some of the attendees took a break to enjoy some lunch, they learned how to incorporate berries and other items to spruce up their wreaths.

ACTION NEW LIVE AT 4PM, 12/17/2012, :32 SEC., LOCAL

A job fair being held at Chukchansi Park next month will give hundreds of people the opportunity for new work. The Chukchansi park caterer, Ovations, will hold a fair at the park looking for seasonal employees for the next baseball season. They're hoping to fill 200 game day positions including concessions stand manager, concessions cashier as well as various cooks. Applicants are asked to complete the application before attending the fair on January 5th and 6th. We've posted that, along with more information on the two-day event, on our website.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 6PM, 11/17/2012, 1:19 MIN., LOCAL

Those looking for work will tell you it is one of the toughest jobs to find. One that pays good middle income wages and includes health care benefits. A closer look at the latest jobs report tells part of the story. While the national unemployment rate ticked down to 7.7 percent and 146-thousand jobs were added to the economy, the majority of those were low paying. According to a study by the national employment law project since the economy started expanding low wage positions paying between seven to 13 dollars per hour accounted for 58 percent of all job growth. Occupations with the fastest growth included retail sales and food preparation. We then showed what happened to middle income jobs in such fields as construction, manufacturing and information jobs paying between 14 and 21 dollars an hour.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 6PM, 12/21/2012, :27 SEC., LOCAL

The Fresno City Council has given final approval to a deal to have a private company pick up trash. The final vote to privatize residential garbage collection came after a long debate Thursday night. It was narrowly approved on a four to three vote. But the union representing the nearly two hundred garbage workers who will lose their jobs with the city want the citizens to decide. The union, Local 39, is launching a petition drive to force the city to hold a special election. They are counting on a lot of help.

AM LIVE SATURDAY 8AM, 12/22/2012, :30 SEC. ,LOCAL

The latest unemployment numbers are out and California's jobless rate has dropped. In November, 9.6 percent of people around the state were out of work. That's down from nearly eleven percent at the same time a year ago. According to the Employment Development Department this is the first time in nearly four years the rate dropped to single digits statewide. But as Action News reporter

Mariana Jacob found out, People looking for a job are on edge because they could soon lose their unemployment benefits.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 6PM, 12/24/2012, 1:23 MIN., LOCAL

The last time we saw Willie Gray, he was just happy to have a job -- happy to be one of the 800 temporary employees hired to work for the Big Fresno Fair. Willie was hoping he'd make a good enough impression that he would be hired back next year. He knew the possibility of staying on after the fair was a long shot. Gray somehow beat those odds because he is still there still working maintaining those grounds. When the fair ended its fourteen day run Willie was asked to stay on four additional months.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 4PM, 11/15/2012, :55 SEC., LOCAL

The Renaissance at Santa Clara prominently stands out in an area where the homeless have long built shelters. Next week, some of Fresno's homeless will begin to move into this aptly named complex. Residents of these studio apartments will be selected through a vulnerability index registry. A city survey took note of people's health conditions, age and length of homelessness.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 4PM, 11/01/2012, :30 SEC., LOCAL

It's all happening at D & J Sewing at Clovis and Gettysburg. Their goal is to make fleece hats, mittens and scarves for the valley's homeless. Organizers have set up sewing stations, and there are people there to help those who need it. Refreshments will be served and everyone donating their time will receive a special thank you gift. They plan on donating their creations to various shelters next Friday, along with donated food. If you want to help, stop by D & J Sewing between 10 AM and 4 PM tomorrow or Saturday.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 4PM, 11/01/2012, :17 SEC., LOCAL

Hundreds of homeless people in the south valley received some extra help today to get back on their feet. Today was the fifth annual "Project Homeless Connect" in Tulare County. In Visalia more than 350 people gathered at the Visalia Rescue Mission to get a new ID card with the DMV, clothes, a bicycle and even a free pet checkup with a local veterinarian.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 4PM, 11/08/2012, 1:05 MIN., LLOCAL

AM LIVE SATURDAY 6 & 8AM, 11/09/2012, 1:05 MIN., LOCAL

The Salvation Army is seeing more and more valley families asking for help providing food. With the holiday season just around the corner, that means more families looking for help at a time when donation need is highest. The Salvation Army says the face of need is changing. It's no longer just the homeless or the chronically poor but people we work with, live with and go to school with that need help.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 4PM, 11/15/2012, :55 SEC., LOCAL

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ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 4PM, 11/22/2012, :50 SEC. LOCAL

Anyone who wants a meal can come to Poverello House. You do not have to be homeless to eat at Poverello House. You can simply be struggling. One in four families in this valley struggle to find their next meal. Workers at the non-profit say they rely on the donations they receive during the

holidays to last them throughout the rest of the year. If you would like find out more about how to help Poverello House, head to our website ABC30.com.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 6PM, 11/19/2012, :33 SEC., LOCAL

A new building opened up today with the aim of helping Fresno's homeless population. The Renaissance at Santa Clara located on Santa Clara and G Street celebrated its grand opening today. The building is located near an area with a high concentration of the city's homeless. Fresno Housing Authority is now moving some of those people into the 69 studio-style apartments. The twelve million dollar project was paid for with a mix of state and federal funds and a private donation. The new tenants in the single occupancy rooms are expected to move in after Thanksgiving.

ACTION NEWS AM LIVE, 11/23/2012, :17 SEC., LOCAL

The kitchen is always busy at the Poverello House. The non-profit serves 1300 meals daily to the poor and homeless in Fresno.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 4PM, 11/23/2012, 2:00 MIN., LOCAL

AM LIVE SATURDAY 6 & 8AM, 11/24/2012, 2:00 MIN., LOCAL

Picking up litter has become a labor of love for Peter Ardison. Peter's mission started over the summer when he noticed a lot of trash lining Bellevue Road near his home, just north of Merced. He also realized public clean-up crews were stretched thin. So Peter contacted the county and offered to help. Officials gladly gave him garbage bags, litter sticks, and later a letter recognizing his efforts. But the retired fisherman didn't stop there. He decided to tackle part of G Street heading toward UC Merced, and this time he got some help from members of the Merced Rescue Mission. It was their way of thanking Peter for all he's done for the homeless, including bringing them water on hot summer days and helping serve meals during the holidays.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 4PM, 11/29/2012, :33 SEC., LOCAL

The City of Fresno's anti-human trafficking task force received a much-needed boost today. The city council voted to accept a 150-thousand dollar grant for its 2013 budget. The council also authorized Fresno's police chief to execute the grant through his agency with the help of the Marjorie Mason Center, a non-profit center which provides services for victims of domestic abuse and homelessness. The focus of the project is to help law enforcement agencies identify trafficking victims. Funds will be used to target the smuggling and exploitation of people in Fresno.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 11PM, 12/07/2012, 1:32 MIN., LOCAL

Hundreds of Fresno's homeless turn here to the Rescue Mission for hot meals, shelter and a chance to turn their lives around. But the non-profit's leader, Reverend Larry Arce, says he's concerned the uncertainty in Washington over the fiscal cliff could lead to a drop in donations.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 6PM, 12/08/2012, :29 SEC., LOCAL

ACTION NEWS AM LIVE, 12/09/2012, :29 SEC., LOCAL

Dozens of homeless people living in the streets of Fresno now have blankets to help keep them warm at night. Volunteers from Setting the Captive Free Ministry gave away about 100 blankets today below the overpass at Belmont and San Pablo. They also raffled off presents for children and adults and gave out bread and candy canes. One of the women who organized this event used to be homeless and addicted to drugs, but has turned her life around. She says this is her way of helping those who are still struggling.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 6PM, 12/17/2012, :46 SEC., LOCAL

ACTION NEWS AM LIVE, 12/18/2012, :46 SEC., LOCAL

A new report on homelessness shows a significant decline in the number of total homeless in Fresno and Madera counties. The study was conducted by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. It shows the Fresno-Madera county area had a 12 and a half percent decrease in total homelessness from January 2011 to January of this year, and a 37 percent decrease in homeless families. That's the fourth-largest decrease of any area in the country. Fresno Mayor Ashley Swarengin says the new report indicates the community's collaborative approach with partner agencies is producing results. The "Housing First" model, recommended by the U.S. Interagency Council on Homelessness, centers on providing people with housing quickly and then providing the necessary social services.

ACTION NEWS AM LIVE, 12/23/2012, 2:39 MIN., LOCAL

This is what holiday cheer looks like and if you ask most of the children here, this may be their favorite time of the year. Families who live in this public emergency housing building are facing the hardest times of their life. Karen Kroske with the Fresno Police Activities League has put on the celebration for 14 years. This year Santa's motorcade was led by police officers and American Ambulance. Dozens of children unwrapped presents on Saturday because of the program. Every child made a wish list. Some asked for toys, but most just wanted clothes for the rest of the year. Baby Amaya is nine months old. This is her very first time meeting Santa, and the experience is one her family will always remember.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 6PM, 12/23/2012, :33 SEC., LOCAL

ACTION NEWS AM LIVE, 12/24/2012, :33 SEC., LOCAL

The holidays can be an especially difficult time for struggling families, but today many enjoyed a special celebration in downtown Fresno. Fresno Unified School District's Project Hope hosted this 24th annual "Hope for the Holidays" event. About 1,500 homeless children and their parents came to the Valdez Hall today for a warm meal provided by Pardini's. More than 300 volunteers organized gymnastic and dance performances for the families. Santa also made a special visit, arriving by police escort. He and other volunteers handed out presents to all the children who attended.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 6PM, 12/24/2012, 1:23 MIN. LOCAL

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ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 6PM, 12/25/2012, 1:43 MIN., LOCAL

On Christmas morning Jose Bautista drew a crowd. Once he opened the trunk of his car and he and his daughter started serving up the beans, eggs and tortillas they prepared at home, dozens of homeless men and women lined up for the free Christmas breakfast.

ACTION NEWS AM LIVE, 12/26/2012, :28 SEC., LOCAL

A special Christmas celebration for families who live around Fresno's Roeding Park brought out a couple hundred people and valley veterans helped make it happen. Santa made a special appearance during a Christmas lunch at a VFW post near the park Tuesday. While the big man

helped hand out toys to the kids inside, families were treated to a warm meal. The effort began with a group of community members five years ago who wanted to make a difference.

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TOP TEN WOMEN MARJAREE		
MASON CENTER SHELTER	:30	182
TOYS FOR TOTS MARATHON	:30	166
TOYS FOR TOTS MARATHON	:04	8
TOYS FOR TOTS THANK YOU	:15	22
HABITATE FOR HUMANITY:RESTORE	:30	200

MINORITY/CULTURAL TOPICS 4TH QUARTER 2012

LATINO LIFE, SUNDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2012, 10AM, :30 MIN., LOCAL

Segment #1: Support For Southeast Fresno- Get involved with the Southeast Fresno Community Economic Development Association. Guests: Jose Leon Barraza-SEFCEDA & Dr. Nellie Neri-SEFCEDA

Segment #2: Trailblazers for Prosperity Awards Luncheon
Wednesday, November 14, 2012, 11:30am-1:30pm
Fresno Fairgrounds Industrial Education Building (559) 453-0124 www.sefceda.org

Segment #3: Mentoring-Details on an upcoming Mentoring Summit by the Center For Leadership, Equity and Research-CLEAR. Guest: Dr. Kenneth Magdaleno-CLEAR

CLEAR MENTORING SUMMIT
Friday, October 19 7:30am-3:00pm Fresno State Residence Dining Hall
(559) 431-5600 www.clearvoz.com

Segment #4: Latino Educators Unite-The State Conference of The Association of Mexican American Educators. Guests: Pat Gutierrez-AMAE & Francisco Corchado-AMAE
AMAE STATE CONFERENCE November 2-3
Airport Holiday Inn Register (559) 978-5798 www.amae.org

CALENDAR EVENTS

YOUTH LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE
Saturday, October 20 8am-2pm
Pacheco High School, Los Banos - (209) 826-5019

LATINO LIFE, SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2012, 10AM, :30 MIN., LOCAL

Segment #1: Holistic Healing - The new center giving underserved members of the community access to Mental Health services. Guests: Sandra Mendoza-Cultural Broker & Geraldine Zuniga-Program Coordinator

Holistic Cultural and Education Wellness Center
4879 E. Kings Canyon Road
Fresno,Ca
(559) 255-8395
www.fresnocenter.com

Segment #2: Veterans in College- Services available at FCC for veterans and the special ceremony planned on campus. Guests: Mary Alfieris-FCC Veterans & Miguel Saldana-Veteran/Student

Veterans Day Ceremony
Friday, November 9 Noon
Veterans Peace Memorial Fresno City College

Segment #3: Latinos & SATs-Why more Latinos are taking the SATs.
Dia De Los Muertos - Special exhibit at Arte Americas honors the dead.

CALENDAR EVENTS

Selena Look Alike-Sound Alike Contest
Friday, November 24 5pm
Community Center for Arts & Technology
(559) 273-4914
www.ccatfresno.org

Toys for Tots Marathon Weekend
Friday, November 30-Sunday, December 2
Drop off a new unwrapped toy
Cash or check

Toys for Tots Hotline: (559) 469-2767

LATINO LIFE, NOVEMBER 18, 2012, 10AM, :30 MIN., LOCAL

Segment #1: Fiesta Navidena - The fun holiday fashion show raising money for scholarships.
Guest: Irma Garcia-League of Mexican American Women

Fiesta Navidena Saturday, November 24
Fashion show, brunch, silent auction 10am
Holiday Inn Downtown Fresno (559)269-7379

Segment #2: American Sabor-Experience the influence and impact of Latinos in American popular music. Guest: Eva Rodriguez-Arte Americas

American Sabor

Latinos in U.S. Popular Music November 17-January 20,2012
Arte Americas 1630 Van Ness
Downtown Fresno (559) 266-2623

Segment #3: Heart of Champions - A local youth football team wins a championship and honors their recently lost teammate.

Gerber Baby- Meet the Fresno 8 month old who won a nationwide contest by Gerber.
Consulate Scholarships- Fresno's Mexican Consulate awards several scholarships

CALENDAR EVENTS

Toys for Tots Marathon Weekend
November 30-December 2, 2012 72 hour drive by the Marines
Drop off new unwrapped toy River Park Shopping Center Fresno

Candy Cane Lane Parade
Monday, November 26 7pm Downtown Visalia Main Street (559) 732-7737

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 5PM, 12/18/2012, 1:39 MIN., LOCAL

A group of valley residents gathered in downtown Fresno today to bring awareness to International Migrants Day. Those in attendance said they're demanding President Obama and Congress work on comprehensive immigration reform that takes into account the millions of families who have already been living in the United States for several years. International Migrants' Day was first proclaimed on December 4, 2000. The event is meant to help recognize the economic contributions of migrants to both their home countries and current place of residence.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 4PM 12/21/2012,:26 SEC..LOCAL

The Merced County Fairgrounds is filled with people of all ages wearing colorful clothing and playing traditional games, including the ball toss. Several vendors have also set up shop. Organizers are expecting this to be the biggest Hmong New Year celebration yet at the fairgrounds. The four-day event will feature a beauty pageant, sports tournaments, and plenty of socializing.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 6PM, 12/23/2012, 1:25 MIN., LOCAL

The meeting hall was packed today as dozens from the united Hmong council listened to group leaders explain why they are suing the Hmong international New Year foundation over rights to the incredibly popular celebration. UHC leaders claim the New Year foundation is not being transparent with its earnings. A lawsuit filed last year alleged the foundation allowed revenue from the events to be used for personal profit. The foundation says that suit was thrown out. But the UHC is appealing.

ACTION NEWS AM LIVE, 12/24/2012, :29 SEC., LOCAL

A group of Hmong leaders is meeting in Fresno today to call for a truce in the debate over Fresno's Hmong New Year celebration. Dozens of members of the United Hmong Council met over the weekend to talk about an appeal in the case. The UHC claims the long-standing New Year celebration at the Fresno fairgrounds is in the hands of the wrong organizer. The group sued the Hmong international New Year foundation last year and lost. The foundation says it's not sure why the other side is still pressing the issue.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 6PM, 12/25/2012, :20 SEC., LOCAL

Christmas was spent preparing for the New Year at the Fresno fairgrounds. Preparations are underway for the Hmong New Year celebration which starts tomorrow. The annual event includes traditional Hmong games, colorful clothing, and speeches from Hmong dignitaries. Organizers say they're preparing for a larger crowd than in years past.

ACTION NEWS AM LIVE, 12/26/2012, :24 SEC., LOCAL

ACTION NEWS MIDDAY, 12/26/2012, :24 SEC., LOCAL

Thousands of people are expected at the fairgrounds today as the week-long Hmong New Year celebration kicks off. Some members of the Hmong community spent Christmas day preparing for the annual event. The celebration includes traditional Hmong games, colorful clothing, and speeches from Hmong dignitaries. Organizers say they're preparing for a larger crowd than in years past.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 4PM, 12/26/2012, :38 SEC., LOCAL

Thousands of people came dressed in the colorful coats representing the various clans within the culture to enjoy Hmong foods, dance and music. Papaya is the popular dish of choice, with each booth competing for the title of best papaya salad. There are also egg rolls, fried pork and Hmong sausage as well as jewelry, clothing and hats. And while more than a hundred thousand people are expected to celebrate a successful year of farming and welcome the New Year and the Hmong youth tell me the event is also a way to socialize make new friends an even meet potential spouse. And they tell me one way to do that is to participate in a playful game of ball toss.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 6PM 12/26/2012, :23 SEC., LOCAL

ACTION NEWS AM LIVE, 12/27/2012, :23 SEC., LOCAL

After two years of competing Hmong New Year Celebrations in Fresno only one will be held this year. That means more than a hundred thousand people from all over the world will gather at the Fresno fairgrounds this week to celebrate. Action News reporter Linda Mumma shows us the sights and sounds of all the festivities and why city leaders are calling for the two factions to work together in one location. After two years of competing Hmong New Year's celebrations, only one is being held this year at the Fresno county fairgrounds. Today thousands of people came dressed in colorful clothing to enjoy Hmong foods, dance and music. Papaya is said to be the dish of choice, with each booth competing for the title of best papaya salad. There are also egg rolls, fried pork and Hmong sausage as well as jewelry, clothing and hats on display. More than a hundred thousand people are expected to welcome the New Year and the Hmong youth say the week-long event is also a way to socialize make new friends even meet potential spouses through a playful game of ball toss.

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 11PM, 12/26/2012,

ACTION NEWS LIVE AT 4PM, 12/28/2012, :18 SEC., LOCAL

ACTION NEWS AM LIVE, 12/29/2012, :18 SEC., LOCAL

This year, the Hmong celebration at the fairgrounds is the only one. The alternate event that started in 2010 at the Fresno Regional Sports Complex in southwest Fresno was postponed this year when a new location fell through. The event runs through January first. For more information, go to our website ABC 30 dot com.

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HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH	:30	29
COMMUNITY CALENDAR	:30	329

COMMUNITY CALENDAR 4TH QUARTER 2012

10/02/2012-10/05/2012

Lions County Park: Heritage Day in the Park
Stone Soup: Raise the Hmong, Voice, Raise the Hmong Vote

10/09/2012-10/12/2012

UC Merced Preview Day
Kingsburg Rotary: Taste of the Town
Fil-Am Center: Filipino American Heritage Fair

10/15/2012-10/18/2012

Sierra High Boys Basketball: Dinner and Action
UC Merced Distinguished Series: The Maya Mystery of 2012
Coarsegold Historical Village: Tarantula Festival

10/30/2012-10/11/2012

Tower Theater Central Fresno: Swede Fest X
Community Resource Fair: Food Distribution

11/06/2012-11/09/2012

Veterans Peace Memorial: Veterans Day Ceremony
Diwali Gala Valdez Mall: America's Got Bollywood

11/19/2012-11/23/2012

Christmas at Kearney: Victorian Christmas tree
Visalia Main Street: Candy Cane Lane Parade
Fresno City College: Concert for Carnegie

12/18/2012 - 12/31/2012

Hmong New Year Celebration at the Fresno Fairgrounds

4TH QUARTER 2012 NON-BROADCAST EFFORTS

- 10/03-14/2012 The Big Fresno Fair Media Center: ABC30 Action News Anchors and Reporters met viewers and signed autographs. Action News at 5PM, 6PM and 6:30PM were broadcast from the center during the run of the fair.
- 10/04/2012 &
10/11/2012 Action News Anchor Margot Kim: Singing the National Anthem at the Big Fresno Fair.
- 10/09/2012 Action New Anchor Margot Kim: Master of Ceremony Fundraising Benefitting Women's Health Awareness
- 10/18/2012 ABC30 Advisory Council Meeting at ABC30 Conference Room
Members Present
Dan Adams, President and General Manager
Michael Carr, Executive Producer
Christine Park, News Anchor
Rick Montanez, News Reporter
Daniel Simms, Business Manager
Aurora Diaz, Special Projects/Promotions Producer
Kris Aubrey, Children's Hospital Central California
Mary Alice Escarcega-Fechner, Community Services Employment Training
Dina Gonzalez-Pina, Fresno Pacific University
Willard Epps, City of Tulare
Charles Sandefur, Adventist Health Central Valley Network
MaiKa Yang, Stone Soup Fresno
Jose Luis Barraza, Fresno Housing Alliance
- Council Members:
- 10/18/2012 Action News Weather Forecaster Angelo Stalis spoke to 5th Graders at Mountain View School
- 10/19/2012 Top Ten Professional Women and Professional Business Luncheon. ABC30 Anchor Margot Kim emceed the luncheon for the Marjaree Mason Center Domestic Violence organization.
- 10/26-28/2012 The Civil War Revisited at Kearney Park; Camp Night Dinner 10/27/2012
- 10/30/2012 Action News Anchor/Report Amanda Perez served as mentor for 6th-12th Grade students at Clovis High Latino Success Conference
- 10/30/2012 Action News Reporter Rick Montanez was a panel member for 6th-12th Grade students at Clovis High Latino Success Conference
- 10/26/2012 Action News Anchor Christine Park spoke to students at Clay Elementary K-8 During Career Day.
- 10/31/2012 Station Tour - Charlene Ciavaglia, Programming Manager at ABC30 conducted a station tour for 17 students from Fresno City College Journalism class.

- 11/02/2012 Action News Reporter Amanda Venegas spoke to students at Red Bank Elementary School during their Red Ribbon Week Ceremony.
- 11/02/2012 Action News Anchor Graciela Moreno was Mistress of Ceremonies and recipient of "Homenajeala Mujer" Award for Contributions to Community and Education during the State Association of Mexican American Educators
- 11/07/2012 Action News Anchor Graciela Moreno Co-MC during FCOE/EEOC Educator of the Year Awards Ceremony.
- 11/07/2012 Action News Anchor Warren Armstrong Co-MC during FCOE/EEOC Educator of the Year Awards Ceremony.
- 11/09/2012 Gift in Kind to Big Brothers Big Sisters Jingle Mingle Event of two tickets to The Jimmy Kimmel show.
- 11/08/2012 Action News Anchor Warren Armstrong served as Master of Ceremony during the National Philanthropy Day Awards Ceremony.
- 11/11/2012 Action News Reporter Amanda Venegas welcomed the attendees of the Swede Fest that supports the Arts.
- 11/14/2012 Action News Anchor/Reporter Amanda Perez served as MC for the Southeast Fresno Community Economic Development Association Trailblazers for Prosperity Awards Luncheon.
- 11/26/2012 Action News Anchors Christine Park & Dale Yurong Co-hosted the Candy Cane Lane Parade in Downtown Visalia
- 12/18/2012 Station Tour- Charlene Ciavaglia, Programming Manager at ABC30 conducted a station tour for 20 students from Valley Oak Elementary School.
- 12/31/12-1/1/13 ABC30 Website / Cellular Phone Push for "Tipsy Tow" and other sources to contact for a ride home on New Year's Eve.

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Candy Cane Lane Parade Marches This Monday 30,000 Spectators Will Join ABC30 in Downtown Visalia

(Visalia, CA) – Bring your blankets, chairs and hot cocoa and join ABC30 for a night of storybook fun at **“The 67th Annual Candy Cane Lane Parade.”** The Central Valley’s oldest nighttime parade takes off down Main Street in Visalia on **Monday, Nov. 26, 2012 at 7 p.m.** Action News anchors Dale Yurong and Christine Park will guide you through every colorful float and performance while Weatherman Angelo Stalis works the parade from the ground level. ABC30’s high definition cameras will capture all the holiday action from every angle for our one-hour special on the parade.

The Candy Cane Lane Parade winds down a mile-and-a-half path through Downtown Visalia with 30,000 people looking on. This year’s theme is “A Fairy Tale Christmas.” More than 90 entries will dazzle Main Street, from the best South Valley high school bands to award-winning floats. This year’s grand marshal is Jack Hayslett, who’s been a judge of the Candy Cane Lane Parade for the past 49 years and a member of the Visalia Optimist Club since 1973. He’ll be escorted by the Goshen Mounted Police.



You can watch ABC30’s one-hour special, **“The 67th Annual Candy Cane Lane Parade”** with all the best highlights on **Sunday, Dec. 9, 2012 at 7 p.m.** and on **Christmas Day at 5 p.m.** We will also post the entire parade on abc30.com after the first special airs. KFSN-TV ABC30 is a proud sponsor of the **“67th Annual Candy Cane Lane Parade,”** which is put on by the Downtown Visalia Alliance.

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Don't Be a Digital Dinosaur!
ABC30 Helps Moms & Dads Keep Up with Tech Savvy Kids



(Fresno, CA) – Smartphones, iPads and social media! It's enough to give parents a high-tech headache. ABC30 has solutions to help you keep up with your kids. This Sunday, ABC30 airs a half-hour special, **“Children First: The Digital Family.”** Action News anchors Dale Yurong and Graciela Moreno host the program on **Sunday, November 11 at 6:30 p.m.**

Just because you're Facebook friends with your kids doesn't mean you see everything. Discover the hottest social media sites that kids, teens and college students are using. Check out the top 10 apps that help parents balance parenthood, work and home life. See the local high school where textbooks are out and iPads are in. Plus, three members of a digital family share their cool iPad tips for the entire family.

Need assistance with homework? We'll show parents and kids how to get free help over the phone or online and which apps to use. Meet our machine gun mommy! Watch what happens when she lets her 7-year-old son teach her how to play video games. Education experts explain why you shouldn't fear technology and instead, embrace it.

Children First is a yearlong effort focusing on the challenges, problems and opportunities facing our youth in Central California. The Children First campaign includes half-hour programs like “The Digital Family,” 30-second vignettes, public service announcements and special stories on Action News. You can see past episodes of Children First on abc30.com, as well as links to helpful resources.

ABC30 is actively soliciting stories about successful community efforts that benefit children. Submit a Children First story idea to Aurora Diaz at Aurora.Diaz@abc.com. ABC30 thanks our partners below for helping put Children First in the Central Valley.



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Help ABC30 Help the Cats!
Just "Like" ABC30 Action News on Facebook



(Parlier, CA) – What do you get when you mix 800 cats, 12 acres along the Kings River and a handful of dogs and goats? The world's largest cat sanctuary! **Cat House on the Kings** is a one-of-a-kind sanctuary, rescue and adoption center for cats and kittens in Fresno County, and you can help the Cat House on the Kings by "liking" [ABC30 Action News on Facebook](#). Beginning Monday, December 24 until the end of 2012, for every new "like," ABC30 will donate 50 cents to the Cat House on the Kings.

The Cat House on the Kings places rescued animals into loving, permanent homes and provides a safe, happy and healthy home for unwanted cats and kittens. They also help prevent pet overpopulation through spaying and neutering and educating the public about responsible pet ownership. Since its founding 20 years ago, The Cat House on the Kings has saved more than 20,000 cats and 6,000 dogs. The Cat House on the Kings boasts one of the largest [Facebook](#) pages in Central California with nearly 45,000 likes. To learn more about how to help their mission, go to Cathouseonthekings.com.

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