

## **Issues and programs from Jan 1 through January 31 2014**

### **KVCR FM NEWS**

**1/1/14 through 1/31/14**

KVCR FM News has been very busy in the new year, having substantially increased our local news coverage with the addition of Matt Guilhem as a part-time reporter. Among other assignments, Matt provided in-depth reporting on the watershed election of a new Mayor in San Bernardino. Matt is a native of San Bernardino, has an undergrad degree from UC Riverside, a grad degree from Cal Berkeley, and broke into radio while attending the London School of Economics and Political Science. Back at home while working part-time as a writing coach at San Bernardino Valley College, Matt interned at KVCR, and now is providing great value to KVCR listeners for our economical investment in his reporting.

**In addition to our regular weekly conversations with Inland Empire Economist John Husing and Press Enterprise Columnist Cassie MacDuff, below are some of the stories and issues we reported on 91.9 KVCR FM NEWS over the past month:**  
*(most of the following segments are available to hear on demand at [kvcr.org/news](http://kvcr.org/news))*

1/6/14 LOCAL ECONOMY, ARTS & CULTURE – In our weekly Monday “State of the Cities” segment, KVCR FM News featured an interview with Steve Pougnet, Mayor of Palm Springs, about the big economic impact that the annual Palm Springs International Film Festival provides to the city's tourism and hospitality industry.

1/7-10/14 LOCAL ARTS & CULTURE – KVCR FM News aired a four-part series of reports commemorating the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Palm Springs International Film Festival. The reports were a collaborative production for both KVCR FM and KVCR TV.

1/9/14 LOCAL POLITICS – KVCR FM NEWS attended and reported on a League of Women Voters debate between Carey Davis and Wendy McCammack, the two finalists running for Mayor of San Bernardino.

1/13/14 LOCAL POLITICS – KVCR FM News aired a two-part interview with Patrick Morris, the outgoing two-term Mayor of San Bernardino, who

1/14/14 INTERNATIONAL POLITICS – KVCR FM News interviewed Palestinian Rights Activist Omar Barghouti, prior to a controversial speech he gave at UC Riverside urging a boycott against the Israeli government because of its treatment of Palestinians living in the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

1/15/14 LOCAL POLITICS – After attending the second community debate between the two candidates running for Mayor of San Bernardino, KVCR FM NEWS talked with citizens who were at the debate and reported on what they said they're concerned about and looking for in the next mayor.

1/16/14 LOCAL & NATIONAL POLITICS & GOVERNMENT– KVCR FM NEWS interviewed Congressman Mark Takano (D-Riverside) about partisan fights in the U.S. House over extending expired benefits for long-term unemployed people. Takano said the expiration of benefits is affecting tens of thousands of jobless Inland Empire residents.

1/21/14 PUBLIC SAFETY, ENVIRONMENT– KVCR FM NEWS reported on the containment of the Colby Fire, which burned in the hills above Glendora, damaging homes and requiring evacuations.

1/21/14 STATE POLITICS & GOVERNMENT, LOCAL POVERTY– KVCR FM NEWS reported The California State Legislature has formed a caucus of lawmakers to look into poverty and inequality in the state.

1/23/14 LOCAL POVERTY, SOCIAL SERVICES – KVCR FM NEWS attended a demonstrations by Inland Empire social service advocates to protest Gov. Jerry Brown's proposal to use the state revenue surplus to pay down debt and create a rainy day fund, instead of restoring years of cuts to state social services.

1/24/14 LOCAL TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC WORKS – KVCR FM NEWS reported that the years-long reconstruction of the segment of I-215 through San Bernardino is finally done.

1/24/14 HIGHER EDUCATION, MINORITY AFFAIRS – KVCR FM NEWS interviewed public broadcasting veteran Ray Suarez about his book, "Latino Americans," and about his new job at Al Jazeera America, prior to his appearance as the featured speaker at the annual Hays-Press Enterprise Lecture at UC Riverside.

1/27/14 ENVIRONMENT, AIR QUALITY – KVCR FM NEWS reported on a proposal by Gov. Brown to use proceeds from California's air quality Cap & Trade auctions for projects that would improve public health among lower-income populations who live in pollution-plagued areas.

1/27/14 LOCAL POLITICS – With the San Bernardino mayoral election a little more than a week away, KVCR FM News attended a third debate and found that each of the two candidates had honed their message and their attacks on their opponent.

1/28/14 HOUSING AFFORDABILITY – KVCR FM NEWS reported on a report compiled by Riverside Member of Congress Mark Takano showing how absentee investors are contributing to a diminishing supply of affordable homes and higher rents in the Inland Empire.

1/30/14 HIGHER EDUCATION, BUSINESS, ARCHITECTURE – KVCR FM NEWS aired a two-part interview with John Thomas, Dean of the Zapara School of Business at La Sierra University in Riverside, about the school's unique academic discipline, award-winning student entrepreneur programs, and his part in the design, construction, and funding of the business school's new building.