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<u>Name/Type/Source of Typical & Illustrative Program</u>	<u>POLITICS</u>
<p>Date: JANUARY 2, 2012 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – OCCUPY ROSE PARADE Time: 5:00-6:00PM Length: 2:05 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Darsha Philips reports that the Occupy movement demonstrators participated in the 2012 Pasadena Rose Parade. Several hundred people peacefully marched with a float of the U.S. Constitution to protest against corporate greed. Although they were greeted with mixed reaction, most spectators respected their right to protest.</p>
<p>Date: JANUARY 4, 5 & 11, 2012 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – CAL BUDGET Time: 5:00-6:00PM Length: 7:40 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Nanette Miranda reports on Governor Brown’s budget proposal to reduce the estimated \$13 billion California deficit. His plan is to raise sales and income taxes for the next five years to avoid forcing budget cuts to an already cash-strapped education system. But legislative analysts think Brown is overestimating tax revenue and think that the cuts to education will still happen.</p>
<p>Date: JANUARY 6, 2012 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – PARKLETS Time: 4:00-5:00PM Length: 2:00 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Rudabeh Shahbazi reports that Urban and Architectural Planner Michael Bohn is planning to introduce parklets into restaurant areas in Long Beach to draw in pedestrians and boost local businesses. Although parklets narrow the street and take up parking spots, planners say they are proven to boost neighborhood economies.</p>
<p>Date: JANUARY 5, 6, 7, FEBRUARY 3, 6, MARCH 8, 15 & 19, 2012 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – TAX INITIATIVE Time: 6:00-6:30PM, 11:00-11:35PM, 5:00-6:00PM, 5:00-7:00AM, 6:00PM-6:30PM Length: 21:40 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Leslie Miller and Nanette Miranda report that Governor Jerry Brown has introduced a tax initiative to help California’s budget problem. He recently teamed up with backers of the so-called Millionaires Tax to get more support. The plan would force high wage earners to pay income tax surcharges, as well as increase the sales tax to one-quarter of a percent for four years. If voters reject the tax hikes this November, Brown vows to automatically cut public education by \$5 billion. Anti-tax groups call his proposal extortion because it creates trigger cuts to essential programs.</p>

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<p>Date: JANUARY 8, 2012 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – UNDERGROUND ECONOMY Time: 9:00-11:00AM Length: 2:25 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Nanette Miranda reports that several state agencies are cracking down on businesses that pay employees in cash and avoid workers' compensation insurance and withholding. This is estimated to cost the state \$7 billion in lost revenue. Day laborers don't like the crackdown because they say off-the-books jobs are the only ones available in this economy.</p>
<p>Date: JANUARY 9, 2012 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – STRIP CLUB Time: 4:00-5:00PM Length: 2:40 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Miriam Hernandez reports that members of the Calvary Chapel South Bay in Torrance are angry that a new strip club is opening near them. 3,000 members have signed a petition demanding to know why there are now two sex clubs surrounding the church. The club says it is following the rules because it is in a district of warehouses and light industry with no schools. Officials are calling for a review of zoning regulations.</p>
<p>Date: JANUARY 9, 2012 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – YOUTH PRISONS Time: 5:00-6:00PM Length: 1:50 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Nanette Miranda reports that Governor Brown is planning to close the state's three remaining youth prisons and transfer the remaining 1,100 wards to counties under his new budget proposal. This would make California the only state in the U.S. without a youth prison system. Some counties were already taking in juvenile offenders because they say juveniles are more successful when closer to their families, but some Republicans say local governments already have enough on their plate with the new prison realignment plan.</p>
<p>Date: JANUARY 10, 2012 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – IE SUPES SALARIES Time: 5:00-6:00PM Length: 2:30 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Rob McMillan reports that San Bernardino County Supervisors have decided to cut their own retirement benefits to save the county about a quarter million dollars. They each decided to cut their benefits by about 50 thousand dollars each, which they say is the least they can do in this economy.</p>

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<p>Date: JANUARY 10, 2012 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – FCC CENSORSHIP Time: 11:00-11:35PM Length: 2:30 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Leslie Miller reports that broadcast networks want FCC rules about profanity and nudity to be eliminated and have brought the issue to the Supreme Court. Current laws can slap traditional networks with a six figure fine, but broadcast networks argue the rules are inconsistent. Chief Justice John Roberts says there still should be a few channels that don't allow cursing so families can be at ease.</p>
<p>Date: JANUARY 12, 2012 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – UC SMOKING BAN Time: 4:00-5:00PM Length: 2:25 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Eileen Frere reports the University of California will ban smoking and chewing tobacco on all 10 campuses by 2014 to improve public health. UC Irvine officials report that they have already taken some steps, like banning smoking inside public buildings. Some students think banning it entirely is too drastic.</p>
<p>Date: JANUARY 12 & 13, 2012 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – HIGH SPEED RAIL Time: 5:00-6:00PM Length: 5:00 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>John North and Nanette Miranda report that Governor Brown is pushing forward the high speed rail project, despite the recent decisions by two board members to step down. Brown says they should continue the project and has elevated one of his appointees to serve as chairman. Taxpayer groups say the board members stepping down is a sign the project is doomed.</p>
<p>Date: JANUARY 17 & 18, 2012 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – INTERNET PRIVACY Time: 5:00-6:00PM, 11:00-11:35PM Length: 7:45 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Ric Romero and Elex Michaelson report that several popular websites went dark on January 18, 2012 to protest two congressional proposals intended to stop online piracy. They are fighting SOPA (the Stop Online Piracy Act) in the House and PIPA (the Protect Intellectual Property Act) in the Senate. Although the motion picture industry supports both of them, people in the web industry are against them because they say they are unfair censorship.</p>

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<p>Date: JANUARY 17, 2012 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – SMOKING TAX Time: 5:00-6:00PM Length: 2:30 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Nanette Miranda reports that funding is dwindling for vital children’s services under the First Five program because the adult smoking rate is at an all time low. The First Five commission gets tax dollars from cigarettes and puts them toward health and education services. Fiscal conservatives say the state shouldn’t bail out the programs and should have seen it coming, but First Five programs are nervous about budget cuts.</p>
<p>Date: JANUARY 18, 2012 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – STATE OF THE STATE REAX Time: 11:00AM-12:00PM, 5:00-6:00PM, 11:00-11:35PM Length: 7:10 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Nanette Miranda and Leslie Sykes report on Governor Brown’s 2012 State of the State Address. He told Californians that they need to pay higher taxes if they want to avoid deeper cuts to education. He also talked about investing in big public works projects, like high speed rail, renewable energy, and reliable drinking water; all of which, he says will bring more jobs. Republicans say there is no need to raise taxes since more people have jobs and are paying income taxes.</p>
<p>Date: JANUARY 18, 2012 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – MAYORS CONFERENCE Time: 5:00-6:00PM, 6:00-6:30PM Length: 5:05 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>John North reports that Mayor Villaraigosa went to Washington to join a total of 250 mayors for the U.S. Conference of Mayors to blame Congress for slow job growth. Less than one-tenth of the nation’s cities have regained the jobs they’ve lost since the recession, and a new report shows the nation’s cities will continue a slow growth. The mayors blame Congress for not passing Obama’s jobs agenda.</p>

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<p>Date: JANUARY 23, 2012 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – PART TIME LEGISLATURE Time: 5:00-6:00PM Length: 2:15 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Nanette Miranda reports that Republican lawmakers have introduced a new proposal to switch the California legislature to a part-time body, meeting several months a year. A new analysis by the non-partisan Legislative Analyst Office says the state could save \$9 million just from cutting salaries and tens of millions in eliminating staff and travel. Critics say the pay cut will not attract people to serve on the legislature and could cause conflicts of interests because lawmakers will need full-time jobs.</p>
<p>Date: JANUARY 19, 2012 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – AUTO INSURANCE Time: 6:00-6:30PM Length: 2:30 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Nanette Miranda reports a new auto insurance initiative will appear on the November ballot that will allow drivers to get a break on continuous coverage even if they decide to change companies. Supporters say it will allow prices to be more competitive and will give consumers better deals. Consumer Federation of California says the initiative is not good for those who have been uninsured for a time because then the prices will be higher.</p>
<p>Date: JANUARY 20, 2012 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – OCCUPY COURTS Time: 4:30-7:00AM, 11:00AM-12:00PM, 5:00-6:00PM Length: 8:50 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Sid Garcia and Miriam Hernandez report that the Occupy movement has spread to over 100 courthouses in the U.S., including the federal courthouse in Downtown L.A. People have been protesting a 2010 Supreme Court ruling that allows corporations to spend big money on federal elections. They are against corporate greed and don't think that corporations should be protected under the First Amendment.</p>

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<p>Date: JANUARY 24, 2012 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – STATE OF UNION REAX Time: 5:00-6:00PM, 11:00-11:35PM Length: 6:30 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Leslie Miller and Elex Michaelson report on President Obama’s State of the Union Address. Obama mainly talked about strengthening and restoring the middle class. He also talked about tax reform, more relief for homeowners, and cracking down on sending U.S. jobs elsewhere. Republicans, like Orange County Republican Congressman Dana Rohrbacher, say it is the same failed partisan politics as before.</p>
<p>Date: JANUARY 25 & FEBRUARY 22, 2012 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – PENSION REFORM Time: 5:00-6:00PM Length: 4:50 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Nanette Miranda reports that in a surprise move, virtually all Republican state lawmakers endorsed Governor Jerry Brown’s pension reform plan, which combines a 401K-type plan with pensions for new hires and raises the retirement age. Democrats are hesitant on the plan and want to make sure it is economically viable. Public employee unions say changes are fine if they ensure retirement security.</p>
<p>Date: JANUARY 26, 2012 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – OC OFFENDERS Time: 4:00-5:00PM Length: 2:15 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Leticia Juarez reports that city leaders in Rancho Santa Margarita have just approved a new law keeping sex offenders out of city parks, but they still need support from private home owners’ associations because they own the parks. The largest home owner association is hesitant about supporting the ordinance because it could expose them to lawsuits.</p>
<p>Date: JANUARY 26, 2012 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – CANCER PILL Time: 5:00-6:00PM Length: 2:30 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Nanette Miranda reports that the State Assembly voted on a measure to force health insurance companies to cover anti-cancer pills. The Cancer Care Act could save patients’ families thousands of dollars. Critics of the measure don’t like that it will increase the cost of premiums and would rather wait until they see how Obama’s health care plan will affect medical costs.</p>

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<p>Date: JANUARY 26, 2012 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – ANTELOPE HOUSING Time: 6:00-6:30PM Length: 2:30 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Leo Stallworth reports civil rights groups are claiming a major victory in their Section 8 housing battle in the Antelope Valley. The L.A. County Board of Supervisors has voted to continue withholding funds for additional housing authority inspectors as part of an effort to combat the alleged discrimination minority residents in Palmdale and Lancaster feel in Section 8 housing. Minority residents had previous lawsuits against the cities of Palmdale and Lancaster. They said the inspectors treated them unfairly. City officials deny minorities in Section 8 housing are being discriminated against and wish that the county included them in the decision.</p>
<p>Date: JANUARY 30, FEBRUARY 6, 14 & 16, 2012 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – IE QUARRY Time: 11:00AM-12:00PM, 5:00-6:00PM Length: 11:50 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Leticia Juarez and Rob McMillan report that Riverside County supervisors denied building permits for the proposed Liberty Rock quarry just south of Temecula. Granite Construction wanted to build the strip mine there and supporters said it would bring a number of benefits, including jobs. But opponents said it would be unhealthy for the environment, would discourage tourism, and didn't like that it was at the creation site for a tribe of Pechanga Indians.</p>
<p>Date: JANUARY 30, 2012 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – RURAL NEIGHBORHOODS Time: 5:00-6:00PM Length: 2:10 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Rudabeh Shahbazi reports developers want to build an elder care facility in Tarzana, but nearby residents feel that it will disturb their rural way of life. The Levi family, owner of the property, wants to develop the center to integrate the elderly with kids from the local preschool, which they also own.</p>
<p>Date: JANUARY 30 & FEBRUARY 4, 2012 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – ORANGE LINE Time: 5:00-6:00PM, 5:00-7:00AM Length: 3:35 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>John North reports that Mayor Villaraigosa unveiled the new Orange line that connects Canoga Park to the Chatsworth Amtrak Metrolink station. It is expected to be finished by the summer and the cost is under budget, freeing up millions of dollars for other transportation projects. Villaraigosa hopes this will encourage more people to use mass transit.</p>

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<p>Date: JANUARY 31, 2012 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – BURBANK WALMART Time: 6:00-6:30PM Length: 2:00 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Amy Powell reports that Burbank residents are upset that Wal-Mart wants to open up a store in the area. Although City Council members have already approved the idea and like that it will bring jobs to the area, some residents don't think there is a need for another big box store and feel it will generate too much traffic.</p>
<p>Date: FEBRUARY 1 & 3, 2012 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – KOMEN PLANNED PARENTHOOD Time: 11:00-11:35PM, 4:00-5:00PM Length: 4:50 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Leanne Suter and Rudabeh Shahbazi report the Susan G. Komen Foundation has reversed its decision to pull its annual \$680,000 grant from Planned Parenthood for breast exams and breast cancer counseling. Planned Parenthood representatives thought Komen caved to political pressure from anti-abortion groups, which outraged many of the Komen Foundation's donors. Komen said they will keep politics out of it and will continue to provide funding.</p>
<p>Date: FEBRUARY 2, 2012 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – LOBBYISTS Time: 5:00-6:00PM Length: 2:15 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Nanette Miranda reports that California Common Cause revealed a list of the state's top lobbyists and found a record \$285 million was spent last year trying to influence the state legislature, mostly from public employee unions and corporations. Some political activists feel that voters are not being heard, but state officials say everyone's voice matters.</p>
<p>Date: FEBRUARY 3, 2012 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – 9-1-1 CALLS Time: 6:00-6:30PM Length: 1:50 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Jovana Lara reports one state lawmaker has introduced legislation to protect the privacy of 9-1-1 emergency calls. Assemblywoman Norma Torres says this information should be kept private, just like patient medical records. Officials from the First Amendment Coalition say they are sympathetic, but existing law already allows selective redacting or editing of 9-1-1 tapes.</p>

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<p>Date: FEBRUARY 6 ,7 & MARCH 3, 2012 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – PROP 8 RULING Time: 11:00-11:35PM, 4:30-7:00AM, 11:00AM-12:00PM, 4:00-5:00PM, 5:00-6:00PM, 4:00-5:30PM, 11:00PM-12:00AM Length: 20:20 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Elex Michaelson, Christina Salvo, Miriam Hernandez, Carlos Granda, Nanette Miranda, Leslie Miller, and Amy Powell report that California’s voter-approved ban on same sex marriage has been declared unconstitutional by the Ninth U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals. The judge left in place a stay preventing same-sex marriages from immediately resuming in the state. Prop 8 supporters plan to appeal it if the Supreme Court chooses to review the case. Meantime, the decision has sparked mixed reviews from citizens, and opponents have stepped up their fundraising efforts with a play called “8” inspired by the court decision.</p>
<p>Date: FEBRUARY 8, 2012 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – TUITION PLAN Time: 5:00-6:00PM Length: 2:30 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Nanette Miranda reports Assembly Democrats have introduced a middle class scholarship plan that would cut tuition at California’s public universities by 60 percent. They say the plan would help protect students from middle income families from rising tuition costs. Republican officials don’t believe it will be approved because it will take money away from job-creating corporations.</p>
<p>Date: FEBRUARY 9, 2012 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – PAROLED KILLERS Time: 6:00-6:30PM Length: 2:20 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Nanette Miranda reports Crime Victims Action Alliance is calling on Governor Jerry Brown to release more detailed information on the convicted killers whose release he declined to stop this year. This comes after a report saying that Brown released about 80% of convicted murderers eligible for parole—a much higher rate than his two predecessors. Although Brown’s aides say the streets are not any more dangerous, the crime victims group is worried.</p>

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<p>Date: FEBRUARY 10 &11, 2012 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – CALIFORNIA PRIMARY Time: 6:00-6:30PM, 5:00-7:00AM Length: 4:20 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>John North reports California’s primary on June 5, 2012 could play an important role in selecting the GOP nominee for president. According to an exclusive Eyewitness News poll of likely Republican voters, the race is extremely close between Mitt Romney and Rick Santorum. Republican volunteers at the Pasadena Tea Party offices are getting ready for the candidates’ fundraising visits next week.</p>
<p>Date: FEBRUARY 13, 2012 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – TRASH COLLECTION Time: 4:30-7:00AM Length: 4:00 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Christina Salvo reports the L.A. Bureau of Sanitation will present a report to the Board of Public Works about changing the way trash is collected in the city outside large apartments and businesses. It would divide the city into 11 zones and have private trash haulers bid on districts. Critics don’t like that it will eliminate jobs, but city officials and environmentalists are in favor of the plan because it uses cleaner trucks.</p>
<p>Date: FEBRUARY 13, 2012 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – GINGRICH CAMPAIGN Time: 5:00-6:00PM Length: 2:15 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>John North reports that GOP presidential candidate Newt Gingrich came to Pasadena as one of his campaign fundraising stops during his three day Southern California trip. While there, he told residents he will focus on lowering gas prices and creating jobs. He hopes to return to a higher standing after placing third in a Gallup poll.</p>
<p>Date: FEBRUARY 15 & 16, 2012 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – OBAMA CAMPAIGN VISIT Time: 11:00AM-12:00PM, 5:00-6:00PM, 6:00-6:30PM, 11:00-11:35PM Length: 26:55 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Subha Ravindhran, Carlos Granda, Leslie Miller, Melissa MacBride, and John Gregory report on President Obama’s visit to Southern California to raise money for his re-election campaign. His events included a fundraising dinner in Beverly Hills with celebrities and a private fundraising breakfast in Corona Del Mar. He was met with Republican protestors and people angry about him creating traffic congestion.</p>

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<p>Date: FEBRUARY 15, 2012 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – FOOD TRUCKS Time: 6:00-6:30PM Length:2:00 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Nanette Miranda reports some California food truck owners are upset because one state lawmaker is trying to keep them away from schools. The proposed bill would ban food trucks from parking within 1500 feet of a school between the hours of 6 AM and 6 PM. School administrators say the plan is necessary to keep students healthy, but both students and food truck owners feel it's unfair to deny students that choice.</p>
<p>Date: FEBRUARY 16, 2012 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – POT INIATIVE Time: 5:00-6:00PM Length:2:30 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Nanette Miranda reports about a new proposal for the November ballot to tax medical marijuana dispensaries and put them under tighter control with a new state agency. Pot shops like the idea as an alternative to being shut down, but members of the International Faith Based Coalition want raids on pot to continue because they don't believe it has health benefits.</p>
<p>Date: FEBRUARY 17, 2012 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – XI VISIT Time: 5:00-6:00PM, 11:00-11:35PM Length: 5:00 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Carlos Granda and Elex Michaelson report on Chinese Vice President Xi Jinping's visit to Southern California. Governor Jerry Brown has announced the state will open a new trade office in China to encourage investment, while Jinping announced that DreamWorks will take a minority stake in a Chinese company making Chinese films. Although he was positively greeted by most Chinese-Americans, opponents protested they want Tibet to be free of China's reign.</p>

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<p>Date: FEBRUARY 21, 29 & MARCH 7, 2012 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – LION HUNTER Time: 5:00-6:00PM Length:6:50 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Nanette Miranda and Rob McMillan report that critics are outraged over leaked internet photos of President Dan Richards of the California Fish and Game Commission killing a mountain lion in Idaho when they feel his job is to protect wildlife. He told his critics his legal activity outside of the state is no one’s business. His response angered Democrats and environmentalist groups who protested his appearance at the Fish and Game Commission’s monthly meeting in Riverside. Avid hunter and State Senator Tom Harman says the state has bigger problems to worry about.</p>
<p>Date: FEBRUARY 22, 2012 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – IE MORENO BOARD Time: 6:00-6:30PM Length:2:35 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Leticia Juarez reports a member of the Moreno Valley School Board is accused of attempted murder and there is now a move to recall him. Mike Rios is charged with two counts of attempted murder and investigators say he shot at two men in a passing car. Members of the Democratic Club of Moreno County think he should be removed because he put city officials in a bad light, but the superintendent says he will remain on the board for now.</p>
<p>Date: FEBRUARY 28, 2012 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – SM NATIVITY Time: 6:00-6:30PM Length:2:15 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Elex Michaelson reports the Santa Monica City Council will take up a proposal to ban nativity scenes in Palisades Park after nearly sixty years. Although they had previously held a lottery so that all groups would have equal spots on the lawn, Atheist groups have been increasingly getting more spots and city officials don’t want to deal with the issue anymore. Atheist groups are pleased, but some residents disagree, saying they will miss the annual tradition.</p>

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<p>Date: FEBRUARY 29, 2012 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – CASHY HYDE Time: 11:00-11:35PM Length: 5:45 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Michelle Tuzee reports that the parents of three-year old Cashy Hyde have turned to using marijuana to help their toddler with his brain tumor. Hyde has already suffered from brain cancer twice. His parents believe the drug helps. The California Medical Association is trying to persuade the federal government to make it easier for scientists to conduct more medical research on the drug.</p>
<p>Date: MARCH 5, 2012 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – PORN CONDOMS Time: 4:30-7:00AM Length: 4:00 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Christina Salvo reports a new law requiring porn actors to wear condoms while filming in Los Angeles has gone into effect. Several HIV scares last year prompted the L.A. City Council to pass the law in January. Supporters are happy that the actors' health won't be jeopardized, but porn industry officials say the law is not needed since they already give their actors monthly HIV tests and are threatening legal action.</p>
<p>Date: MARCH 5, 2012 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – OCCUPY CAPITOL Time: 5:00-6:00PM Length: 2:40 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Nanette Miranda reports that the Occupy movement has spread to the state capitol, as thousands of college students from around the state came to protest higher education. Students say they are sick of tuition increases while classes and programs are getting cut. Democrats vow to back Governor Brown's tax initiative to avoid more school cutbacks and Republicans say the higher taxes aren't needed because the state could take money from other projects.</p>
<p>Date: MARCH 6, 2012 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – DATING SAFETY Time: 4:00-5:00PM Length: 2:30 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Nanette Miranda reports that teens are teaming up with Assemblyman Ricardo Lara to introduce a bill to address dating abuse more directly in schools. The bill would require schools to have a dating abuse policy in their safety plans and establish more resources. Studies show one in four teens report verbal, emotional, physical, or sexual abuse from their dating partner each year.</p>

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<p>Date: MARCH 6, 2012 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – DOOR SPAM Time: 5:00-6:00PM Length:2:30 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Carlos Granda reports that residents in West Hollywood are taking action against unwanted ads left at their front door. City leaders are encouraging residents to place no soliciting placards on their front door. While small businesses depend on this advertising for customers, residents complain that they are annoying.</p>
<p>Date: MARCH 7 & 26, 2012 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – BULLY MOVIE Time: 11:00AM-12:00PM, 4:00-5:00PM, 11:00-11:35PM Length: 8:15 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Subha Ravindhran and Leslie Miller report the Weinstein company has decided to release the movie “Bully” as unrated so that more children can see it. The MPAA gave it an “R” rating due to coarse language despite a push by some of Hollywood’s biggest players and a petition from Michigan high school student Katy Butler with over 100,000 signatures. Teens who have been documented in the film hope their stories reach the 13 million American children who are bullied every day.</p>
<p>Date: MARCH 8 & 11, 2012 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – SHIMON PERES Time: 4:30-7:00AM, 6:00-6:30PM, 7:00-8:00AM, 9:00-11:00AM, 4:00-5:30PM Length: 14:35 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>John Gregory, Leslie Miller, and Darsha Philips report on Israeli President Shimon Peres’s visit to Southern California. Along with visiting some companies in Los Angeles, Peres attended two forums to talk about tensions with Iran and its nuclear program, as well as the strong relationships between Jews and Latinos. Although many came to support him, he was also met by protestors.</p>
<p>Date: MARCH 8, 2012 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – IE ISRAEL FLAG Time: 5:00-6:00PM Length: 2:30 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Rob McMillan reports authorities are trying to track down who ever defaced a flag belonging to a Jewish student group. The group found their flag vandalized with the word “terrorists” scribbled on it. This is one in a string of acts between Muslim and Jewish students at UC campuses in California. UC President Mark Yudof says while he supports free speech, hateful incidents will not be tolerated.</p>

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<p>Date: MARCH 8, 2012 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – WOMENS DAY Time: 11:00-11:35PM Length: 2:35 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Leslie Miller reports that supporters of Planned Parenthood gathered at a fundraiser in Santa Monica as one of the many events around the nation to honor International Women’s Day. Opponents gathered outside to protest the fact they give abortions, but supporters feel women should be given the option of what to do with their bodies and happy that the organization gives women the choice.</p>
<p>Date: MARCH 12, 2012 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – OBAMA BROWN Time: 11:00AM-12:00PM, 4:00-5:00PM, 5:00-6:00PM, 6:00-6:30PM, 11:00-11:35PM Length: 18:20 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Marc Brown interviews President Obama on some of the issues affecting Southern Californians, including the high gas prices as well as the possible terrorist threat from the Middle East.</p>
<p>Date: MARCH 13, 2012 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – PROP 13 Time: 5:00-6:00PM Length:2:40 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Nanette Miranda reports that a hearing was held on possible changes to Prop 13, the law that limits how much property taxes go up. Some critics believe commercial building and land owners are taking advantage of a loophole that lets their property taxes be re-assessed only when a new owner acquires more than 50% stake, leaving schools and local governments struggling to pay for basic needs. Pro-business and anti-tax groups say it would be unfair to change Prop 13 because it would kill more jobs and it’s credited with saving taxpayers more than \$500 billion in its 33 years of existence.</p>

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<p>Date: MARCH 13, 2012 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – SCHOOL PREDATORS Time: 5:00-6:00PM Length: 2:30 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Nanette Miranda reports that L.A. Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa is pushing lawmakers to make bills that would make it easier for school districts to get rid of teachers accused of misconduct in the wake of the molestation scandal at Miramonte Elementary. Some of the changes include removing the Four Year Rule so that evidence of wrongdoings is held longer than four years, allowing dismissal with no pay, and stripping pension and retirement benefits from teachers convicted of a felony. Education groups say current laws are sufficient to deal with the misconduct.</p>
<p>Date: MARCH 15, 2012 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – SMOKING ADS Time: 4:00-5:00PM Length: 2:40 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Rob Hayes reports that the Centers for Disease Control is unveiling a new anti-smoking TV campaign featuring graphic images of the effects of tobacco use. The organization is spending \$54 million to sway more than half a million people to quit smoking. Health officials say the ads are effective, but some believe that people who want to smoke will continue to smoke despite the consequences.</p>
<p>Date: MARCH 16 & 17, 2012 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – SAN ONOFRE Time: 5:00-6:00PM, 5:00-7:00AM Length: 4:30 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Eileen Frere reports that residents are concerned because seven tubes that carry radioactive water failed pressure tests this week at the San Onofre Nuclear Plant. Although a special team of federal investigators has been called, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission is concerned that the tubes have worn out after two years. Some local residents are worried about the effects, especially in the wake of the Japan nuclear disaster.</p>

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<p>Date: MARCH 20, 2012 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – SPOUSAL SUPPORT Time: 5:00-6:00PM Length: 2:30 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Nanette Miranda reports that one domestic abuse victim is trying to change the law that made her pay spousal support to her ex-husband who threatened to kill her. Currently, there is a state law that bans spousal support when the significant other is convicted of attempted murder, but this proposed bill would add sexually violent felonies to that. The Association of Certified Family Law Specialists opposes because they say the line should be drawn at attempted murder.</p>
<p>Date: MARCH 21, 2012 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – CAIR SUIT Time: 4:00-5:00PM Length: 2:15 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Rudabeh Shahbazi reports members of Islamic Center of the South Bay has accused the Lomita City Council of being discriminatory because it has denied their request for a building permits to expand their mosque. They say that it is against Islamic practice to be crowded together during prayer. City Attorney Christie Hogin says the reason the mosque extension hasn't been approved is because of a zoning issue.</p>
<p>Date: MARCH 22, 2012 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – QUAKE WARNING Time: 5:00-6:00PM Length: 2:35 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Nanette Miranda reports that scientists are working on early earthquake warning systems for California, but the state's budget crisis is halting the project from continuing. After five years, the project is in beta testing now and estimates peg the costs at \$150 million to build and \$5 million a year to operate. Experts feel the project is necessary to save countless lives.</p>
<p>Date: MARCH 22, 2012 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – IE MARINE CRITIC Time: 6:00-6:30PM Length: 2:25 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Rob McMillan reports Sgt. Gary Stein has been discharged from fighting in the U.S. Marine Corps and has been given a desk job because he posted political comments on his Facebook page, including jokes about President Obama. The Marine Corps responded that they are aware of the Facebook page and said that "the Commander has decided to address the allegations through administrative action." Stein feels his actions should have been protected by the First Amendment as free speech.</p>

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<p>Date: MARCH 22 & 23, 2012 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – CHINATOWN WALMART Time: 6:00-6:30PM, 4:30-7:00AM Length: 8:55 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Leo Stallworth and Melissa MacBride examine the controversy in Chinatown over a new Wal-Mart opening in the area. L.A. City Councilman Ed Reyes and many do not want the store because they feel it will take away from the tourism in the area, as well as take away the profits from smaller mom and pop shops. Other residents say it would be nice because Wal-Mart offers cheaper discounts and more variety than the smaller stores.</p>
<p>Date: MARCH 23, 24, 26, 27 & 29, 2012 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – FL TEEN SHOT Time: 11:00-11:35PM, 4:30-7:00AM, 5:00-6:00PM, 5:00-7:00AM, 6:00-6:30PM, Length: 19:35 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Amy Powell, Subha Ravindhran, Robert Holguin and Elex Michaelson report people in Downtown LA, Santa Monica and USC have joined people around the nation demonstrating against alleged racial profiling and police abuse in the case of Florida teen Trayvon Martin. Martin was shot and killed by Neighborhood Watch member, George Zimmerman. Zimmerman claims that he was acting in self defense, but recent security footage proves otherwise. Martin’s supporters held hoodie marches and rallies in Downtown L.A., as well as a candlelight vigil at the University of Southern California.</p>
<p>Date: MARCH 26, 2012 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – CAL HEALTHCARE Time: 5:00-6:00PM, 11:00-11:35PM Length: 4:40 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Nanette Miranda and Amy Powell report that although many states have opposed Obama’s proposed health care law that would require all Americans to buy their own insurance, California is moving ahead to implement a portion of Obama’s reform act called the Health Benefit Exchange. This plan would enable millions of uninsured residents to buy affordable insurance beginning in 2014. Assemblyman Tim Donnelly says California leaders should wait until U.S. Supreme Court rule on the act before going further.</p>

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<p>Date: MARCH 27, 2012 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – ROMNEY VISIT Time: 4:30-7:00AM, 11:00AM-12:00PM, 5:00-6:00PM Length: 4:40 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Melissa MacBride and Leslie Miller report on Republican presidential candidate Mitt Romney’s two day fundraising visit to Southern California. He began his visit with a speech in San Diego criticizing President Obama’s health care plan. He also held a fundraiser luncheon in Irvine, a fundraiser dinner in Century City, and had an appearance on “The Tonight Show.” Although many came for support, many also came to protest.</p>
<p>Date: MARCH 27, 2012 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – TEACHER SEX Time: 4:00-5:00PM Length: 2:30 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Nanette Miranda reports that California Assemblywoman Kristin Olsen has introduced a bill to make inappropriate student-teacher conduct a felony. This comes as a response to a 41 year old Modesto teacher who left his wife and three kids to move in with an 18 year old student. She says inappropriate conduct should include excessive communication, like texting and should extend to students 18 years old. Legal experts say there may be a problem with including 18-year-olds in the law.</p>
<p>Date: MARCH 28, 2012 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – RED LIGHT CAMS Time: 4:00-5:00PM Length: 2:25 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Melissa MacBride reports that the 32 red light cameras in Los Angeles are not being enforced, but people who received citations before July 31, 2010 and never paid the fine are still responsible for the ticket. Although some are angry they still have to pay, most are happy the red light cameras have been removed. LA City Councilman Dennis Zine says the cost of the cameras was too high and an audit shows most of the citations they detected were false.</p>

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<p>Date: MARCH 28, 2012 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – ENCINO HALFWAY HOUSE Time: 11:00-11:35PM Length: 2:20 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Miriam Hernandez reports Encino residents are angry that a halfway house exists on Louise Avenue. They didn't know it existed until they saw that a suspected felon run out of the house on the news. Although there is no city code that requires such a facility to notify neighbors, residents still want it gone. Meantime, Councilman Mitch Englander wants to crack down on other group living homes that are not licensed.</p>
<p>Date: MARCH 29, 2012 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – ZOMBIE DRIVERS Time: 5:00-6:00PM Length: 2:30 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Nanette Miranda reports that California Highway Patrol has launched a new "It's Not Worth It!" campaign to crack down on distracted drivers who text or use their cell phones on the road. They are using zombies in their ads to illustrate that the act of talking on a cell phone can reduce one-third of the brain activity needed for driving. Law enforcement cited almost half a million distracted drivers last year and hope that the numbers decrease.</p>
<p>Date: MARCH 29, 2012 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – L.A. FUEL Time: 6:00-6:30PM Length: 2:30 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>John North reports L.A. City Controller Wendy Greuel has revealed that \$7 million worth of city gasoline cannot be accounted for in the past 22 months. She says the cash-strapped city spends about \$29 million buying fuel every year, so this is a significant amount and hopes that an audit will find that city employees didn't steal the fuel and that it was just poor record keeping.</p>