



Description of KNVN TV News Coverage Providing the most Significant Treatment of Community Issues

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All of the above programs are locally produced news programs presenting a mix of news, weather and sports and other related feature stories and segments that affect our North State coverage area.

Following are samples of the stories and segments of significant treatment of North State community issues. These stories were among the top three stories on that day in our rundown. All of these stories were also posted on our website actionnewsnow.com and on our station Facebook page.

CORONAVIRUS:

10-4-21: 4,5,6,11

County Case and Vaccine numbers.

10-11-21: 4,5,6,11

County Case and Vaccine numbers.

10-14-21: 4,5,6

Chico State Vaccinations – 98% of students are fully vaccinated along with 92% of the staff. The other 8% of staff received exemptions. Students not vaccinated are not allowed on campus.

10-14-21: 11

Thermalito School District parents are outraged over the vaccine mandate. Hundreds packed the school board meeting. The board is expected to meet in two weeks to decide whether to enforce the mandate.

10-17-21: 5,6,11

Butte County Isolation order – The county health department issuing a new order to try and stop the spread of Covid-19. If you're vaccinated and exposed you must quarantine, unvaccinated must isolate.

10-25-21: 4,5,6,11

County Case and Vaccine numbers.

10-27-21: 4,5,6

Vaccine Mandate Defiance – California mandated vaccines or weekly testing for all state employees. But not all agencies are enforcing it. Only one third of Cal Fire employees are vaccinated, about half of state police and 70 percent of Cal Trans got the shot.

11-12-21: 4,5,6,11

County Case and Vaccine numbers.



11-15-21:4,5,6

Mandate Protest – Parents, students, teachers and more are skipping school to protest the statewide vaccine mandate for teachers and students. They have held several of these walkouts and plan to continue.

11-17-21: 5,6

Multilingual Vaccine Clinic – A new vaccine clinic in Redding is set up to handle non-english speaking populations. The LatinX community is one of the more underserved when it comes to getting a Covid-19 vaccination. They hope this helps spread the word and get more people vaccinated.

11-24-21: 4,5,6,11

County Case, Death and Vaccine numbers.

12-1-21: 4,5,6,11

Omicron in California – The first case of the Omicron variant in the U.S. was discovered in CA in the bay area. The person just returned from S. Africa and has mild symptoms.

12-6-21: 4

Local Hospitalization Rate – Covid-19 hospitalizations are dropping at Enloe Medical Center by about 80%. Even so, health leaders urge people to get vaccinated, boosted and wear masks.

12-6-21: 5

Youngest Covid Death – Shasta County reported a man in his 20s who died from Covid-19. It's the youngest person to die from Covid in that county.

12-14-21: 4,5,6

County Case, Death and Vaccine numbers.

11-24-21: 4,5,6,11

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12-27-21: 4,5,6,11

Quarantine Rules Change – Even though the CDC reduced the number of days to quarantine for Covid-19 people – our local health departments are waiting for direction from the state health department.

12-29-30: 4,5,6,11

Omicron here – The first cases of the Omicron variant have been detected in the Northstate, four in Shasta County and one in Butte.

12-30-21: 4,5,6

Covid Pill Distribution – Shasta County will be one of the CA counties receiving a large shipment of the Pfizer pill to distribute among eight counties.

HOMELESS CRISIS:

10-11-21: 4,5,6,11

Chico Homeless RFP – The city of Chico says its making progress settling the lawsuit filed by 8 homeless people in response to the city evicting them from public parks. It can't say much more due to a gag order in the case except it is looking for someone to manage an emergency non congregate site.

10-11-21: 5,6,11



Housing Help Extension – Camp Fire survivors are still able to get help finding housing three years after the fire. But that could soon change. Camp Fire Housing Access Model Program says they get hundreds of calls for help every day. That’s why Butte County Supervisors are looking at extending the emergency housing help.

10-25-21: 4,5,6,11

Homeless Camp Flooding – Heavy rains flooded Comanche Creek and the homeless camp that’s set up in the park. Dozens of tents were underwater as homeless people struggled to save their belongings. One local shelter opened up to give them someplace to take shelter.

11-1-21: 4,5

Pallet Shelter Plan – The city of Chico is getting closer to opening a homeless shelter at the old BMX site. It will have 177 pallet shelters, tiny homes for homeless to sleep safely.

11-4-21: 5, 6

Settlement Intervention – A local lawyer is trying to interject himself in the legal battle between the city of Chico and the homeless. Rob Berry says the Chico Stewards of Chico’s Parks and Waterways wants to protect those things. The judge will rule on his motion next month.

11-10-21: 4,5,6,11

Homeless Resting Site Shutdown – the Chico Airport finally shutdown the homeless resting site on its property. It gave notice three weeks ago that they’d have to leave because of FAA regulations.

12-10-21: 4,5,6

Homeless Camp Fire – An early morning fire broke out at the homeless camp at Teichert Pond. People living in a nearby neighborhood said they heard propane tanks exploding. No one was hurt in the fire. Firefighters believe it was a cooking fire that got out of hand.

COMMUNITY:

10-20-21: 6/11

Holocaust Vaccine Comparison – A local teacher made a Tik Tok video comparing the yellow Star of David jews had to wear during the holocaust to the vaccine mandate. She did not return our calls. A local professor and expert on the holocaust weighed in the controversy.

10-29-21: 4,5,6

Treat Streat – The annual Chico Halloween tradition returned in full forced. Hundreds of kids, dressed up in their favorite costumes hit the streets and the stores looking for candy. Last year the even was a drive-thru only because of the pandemic.

10-29-21: 4,5,

Trash Trouble – Trash cans around downtown Chico are filling up faster than the city can empty them. Public Works tells us they went from weekly pickups to daily but it still isn’t enough. But a few hours after our interview the garbage cans in questions were emptied.

11-1-21: 6,11

Pot Shop Zoning – City council will hear appeals from several companies looking for permits to open a recreational marijuana business.

11-5-21: 4,5,6



Rebuilding the Ridge – A look at where Paradise stands three years after the devastation Camp Fire that killed 85 people and destroyed thousands of homes.

11-8-21: 4,6,11

School Comeback – Three years after the Camp Fire destroyed the ridge schools are still down more than 50% of students. But that's not stopping progress as at least one school district adapted and combined schools.

11-10-5,11

Survivor Settlements – Thousands of Camp Fire survivors still haven't received their first payment from the Wildfire Trust. We talked to the justice overseeing the fund. He tells us much of the delay is due to people improperly filling out paperwork.

11-22-21: 4, 5

Small Town Business Hopes – Local shops are hoping for a business boom on Small Business Saturday. They say it doesn't just help their bottom line but the money stays in the community and helps everyone.

11-26-21: 5

Skating on the Ridge – Paradise Ice Rink is open for business. After a pandemic slowed season last year, town leaders and local businesses are hoping people pack the ice, and the cash registers.

12-3-21: 4pm

Parking Garage Delay Impact – The parking garage won't be completed by March as planned. Crews are waiting for a generator to be delivered. Adding to the delay, they're waiting for under round utilities to be completed. The project should be finished by end of summer.

12-3-21: 5,6,11

Christmas tree lightings – Both the cities of Chico and Redding kicked off the Christmas season by lighting up their Christmas trees.

12-6-21: 5pm

Bell Ringer Shortfall – The Salvation Army says a lack of people volunteering to be part of their Red Kettle Drive is leading to fewer donations. They tell Action News Now this is the least amount of volunteers they've had in years.

12-10-21: 4,5,6

Holiday Hope for Fire Survivors – The Northern Valley Catholic Social Service put on a holiday party for Bear Fire survivors. There was food and support for survivors. One man even got a free trailer for he and his wife. They had been living in their car.

12-15-21: 4,5,6,

Tis the Season – Our annual food drive in conjunction with the Salvation Army and TriCounties bank. We raised over 30,000 pounds of food in four days.

WEATHER :

10-22-21:4,5,6

Heavy Rain and Flash Flood Threat – 4,5,6,11

An Atmospheric River and Bomb Cyclone are converging over the area to bring torrential rains and strong winds.



10-24-5,6,11

Severe Weather – Widespread coverage of downed trees, branches and flooded roads as an all day rain and wind event slammed the area.

10-25-21: 6,11

Highway 70 Rockslide – The severe storm caused a massive rockslide in the Dixie Fire burn scar area, sending tons of rock and debris across Highway 70, blocking the road. No word on how long it will take to clear the highway.

CRIME AND PUBLIC SAFETY :

10-4-21: 4,5,6,11

Cab Shooting – A well-known long-time cab driver is in the hospital recovering after being attacked by a rider.

10-7-21 4,5,6,11

Rough Arrest -A Butte County Deputy caught on camera punching a suspect already cuffed and in custody. Sheriff Dept. says those were compliance strikes and the suspect is known for resisting arrest and had a knife on him.

10-7-21: 11pm

Camp Fire Embezzler sentenced for stealing more than 63 thousand dollars of fire insurance money from a camp fire survivor.

10-18-21: 4,5,6,11

Chico Crime Drop – Violent crime is down this quarter compared to the 3rd quarter of 2020. The city did have one more homicide during that time period this year but aggravated assaults and robberies are down.

11-1-21: 4,5,6,11

Water Tower Trespass – A man climbed up on a Chico water tower and didn't come down for two days. This isn't the first time he's done this. Police took him into custody.

11-5-21: 4,5,6,11

Triple Stabbing Manhunt – Three people were stabbed in a home in Oroville. Two are in critical condition. The attackers are still on the loose.

11-15-21: 11

Overpass Shutdown – The Eaton Road overpass, eastbound, will be shutdown for the next few months while city work crews work to complete a roundabout. Find an alternate way around if you drive this route.

11-17-21: 4,5,6,11

School Fight Lockdown – Chico High went on a soft lockdown after two kids got in a fight. Police responded and helped get everything under control. No one was seriously hurt.

11-19-21: 4,5,6,11

Carjacking & kidnapping – A man opened fire outside St. Elizabeth Hospital in Red Bluff then carjacked a woman and forced her to drive him away. She managed to escape and police, using spike strips to force him to stop and arrested him. No one was hurt.

11-19-21: 4.5

Bell Theft – Someone stole a 150-year old bell from Manzanita Elementary School. The suspects were caught on camera. Police are still looking for them.



11-26-21: 5,6,11

Horse Pool Rescue – Cal Fire Butte County rushed to rescue a horse that fell through a pool covering and into the pool. After rigging up a pulley system they pulled the animal free and it trotted off, happy and healthy.

12-6-21: 5,6,11

Costco Bone Update – The bones found at the construction site for the new Costco in Redding are human but they are not historical. Right now investigators are not saying this is a crime.

12-8-21: 4,5,6,11

Murder Suspect Search – New details in the suspected murder of two Alabama men who disappeared in Gridley. Investigators tracked the two victims from Sacramento to Gridley where they suspect they were murdered. Butte County Sheriff Kory Honea tells us they believe the crime happened at a home just outside the city.

12-13-21: 4,5,6

Roadway Safety – With a winter storm walloping the area CalTrans is urging you to make sure your car is up to safety standards.

12-17-21: 11

Deadly Fire – An 11 year old girl died in a duplex fire. Firefighters kept the fire from spreading to the adjacent home but couldn't save the girl. They're still working to figure out what started the fire.

12-21-21:4,5,6,11

Gas Station Robbery – Three gas station convenience stores were robbed within 48 hours of each other. Police are not saying if they're connected.

12-27-21: 4,5,6

Armed Robbery Spree – Six convenience stores and one liquor store have been robbed in the past 12 days. One of those stores was hit twice. Police are checking to see if it's the same robber.

POLITICS:

10-11-21: 4,6,11

Butte Redistricting – Every 10 years the county redraws district lines based on the census. This year Paradise could end up being absorbed into a different district because so many people left after the Camp Fire.

11-2-21 11pm

Mayor Recall Notice – Chico citizens served Mayor Andrew Coolidge with a notice of recall at the city council meeting.

11-4-21, 4,5,6,11

Councilman Recall Notice – The same group that served a recall notice to the Chico Mayor served one to Councilman Sean Morgan two days later. The group has until February 2nd, 2022 to get enough signatures on its petitions.

11-10-21: 11

District Map Discussion – Shasta County Supervisors are talking about next steps in the county redistricting process. They do this every 10 years after the census.

11-10-21:



Recall Progress – The recall of Chico’s Mayor and one of its councilmen is moving forward. The group behind the recall turned in its notice of recall to the city clerk.

11-12-21: 4,5,6

Recall Holdup – The recall of Chico Mayor Andrew Coolidge and Councilman Sean Morgan hit a snag. The group behind the recall didn’t follow protocol on some of its paperwork. The signatures need to be printed and initialed. Theirs were typed up instead.

11-12-4,5,6

CA Redistricting – California lost population and a congressional seat in the past year. Now it’s up to a bipartisan committee to redraw the district lines. Butte County could lose long time state Assemblyman James Gallagher.

11-22-21: 4,5,6,11

Redistricting Controversy – Butte County Supervisors are trying to decide between two maps when it comes to redrawing voting lines based on the new census. Several supervisors claim another supervisor is trying to gerrymander districts by having an outside consultant draw up the maps.

11-29-21: 4,5,6,11

District Map Do Over – It’s back to the drawing board for Butte County Supervisors. They scrapped earlier redistricting maps and now have to decide how to come up with new ones. They will meet next week to look at new maps and decide which ones to proceed with.

12-1-21: 4,5,6

Reproductive Rights – Local groups protest after SCOTUS refuses to hear and overturn the TX abortion law.

12-8-21: 4,5,6,11

Abortion Sanctuary – CA Governor Gavin Newsom is pushing for the state to become a sanctuary state for women seeking abortions who live in states that are restricting that right. If passed, the state would pay for travel, food and lodging.

12-17-21: 4,5,6,11

District Map Referendum – Two Butte County supervisors are trying to get enough signatures to bring a referendum to the people so they can vote on new district maps. They claim the other three supervisors are gerrymandering the map.

12-21-21: 11pm

Pot Debate – Chico City Council voted to open up the application process for manufacturing, processing and testing cannabis.

WILDFIRE:

10-4-21: 4,5,6,11

Fawn Fire Now 100% Contained – The fire burned some 86 hundred acres and destroyed more than 100 homes and buildings before crews got it contained.

SPORTS:

10-8-21: 11

Under the Lights – Covering high school football action across the area.

10-22-21:11

Under the Lights – Weekly high school football show covering local schools across the area



10-29-21:11

Under the Lights – Playoffs are approaching as local high school teams battle it out on the gridiron.

11-5-21: 11

Under the Lights – Last week of the regular season for high school football.

11-10-21: 4,5,6

Coach Controversy – A Red Bluff High School Football coach has been suspended for the rest of the year. The school says he got into an altercation with another coach in the locker room. They tell us he'll be back next year and in the meantime will continue to teach his PE class.

11-12-21: 11

Under the Lights -The first round of playoffs got underway. We highlighted our local teams as they vie for a state championship.

11-19-21: 11

Under the Lights -The second round of playoffs wrapped up. We highlighted our local teams as they vie for a state championship.

EDUCATION:

10-14-21: 4,5,6

School Staffing Shortage – Schools across our area are having a difficult time filling out their staffs. Some have a substitute shortage, others are having a supply problem.

10-18-21: 4,5,6,11

School Walkout – Parents and students held a school walkout to protest the statewide vaccine mandate. Thousands of kids across our area were not in school. The cost of those absences cost school districts anywhere from tens of thousands to more than a hundred thousand dollars.

10-25-21: 4,5,6

School Walkout – Dozens of parents pulled their children from school to protest the vaccine mandate. This protest was much smaller than the one the week before.

11-3-21: 4,5,6,11

Student Testing Plan – Chico Unified School board met to talk about testing students for Covid-19. The board voted to allow students exposed to the virus to get tested on campus.

ADDENDUM:



Community Events/Issues covered during live guest interviews on Action News Now at Noon. All conducted via zoom or skype for COVID-19 Safety.

Monthly Camp Fire Recovery and Rebuilding Updates from Town of Paradise, Fundraiser for Afghanistan Refugees, Downtown Chico Business Association Art Walk, Grow Tech Entrepreneurial Conference, Butte Humane Society, Health Insurance Counseling and Advocacy Program for Medicare Recipients, Paradise Symphony Orchestra, U.C. Cooperative Extension Master Gardener Workshops, Butte College Student Arts Showcase, Soroptimist International, Free Health Clinic, Farm City Week, North State Symphony, Paradise Camp Fire Remembrance Events, Museum of Northern California Art, Chico Women's Club Benefit Concerts, Orland Craft Fair, Ridge Quilters Holiday Home Tour, Chico Community Ballet Nutcracker, Butte County Toy Run, Believe Dance Production, Orland Avenue of Lights, African American Family and Cultural Center Kwanzaa, and Veterans Food Pantry.