

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

#### 1st Quarter 2024

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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 where 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.

## **Crime and Public Safety**

## 1-1-24: 4,5,6,11

Suspicious Device – A Redding gas station was evacuated after they found a suspicious device on the property. The police bomb squad removed the device and detonated it. They said it had a fuse sticking out of it.

#### 1-1-24: 11

California Concealed Carry Change – A new state law says you can no longer carry a gun in most public places, even with a CCW. Those places include parks, stadiums and playgrounds.

#### 1-11-24:4,5,6,11

Gunman on the loose – Chico Police are still searching for an armed man this morning. Last night they blocked off the area around W. 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue after getting calls about a man with a rifle walking around. They haven't found any suspects yet.

### 1-15-24: 4,5,6,11

Oroville Shooter Search – An early morning shooting sends one woman to the hospital with a bullet to her chest. Police say security cameras caught three people, one with a gun in the area just before the shooting.

#### 1-17-24: 11

Mother Murder Verdict – A man charged with killing his own mother was found not guilty by reason of insanity.

Andrew Isles faces life in a state hospital and will be back in court on February 7th.

## 1-26-24: 4,5,6,11

Flaming Fecal Attack – A homeless man was set on fire by when several men threw a big filled with feces and set on fire. He went to the hospital for treatment.

1-26-24: 4,5,6



Flaming Fecal Attack – Chico Police are looking for two men who robbed a homeless man then throwing a burning bag of feces on him.

## 1-31-24: 4,5,6,11

Student Stabbing Attack – An altercation between two students ends with one fighting for her life. Chico Police say one girl stabbed another in the neck. She's in juvy hall on assault charges and the victim is in the hospital.

## 1-31-24: 4,5,6,11

School Threat – Someone made an anonymous threat online, targeting a street in Oroville that has two schools on it. The threat was not specific to either school but Butte County Deputies patrolled the area. Police and Deputies determined the threat was not real.

## 2-2-24: 4,5,6,11

Student Stabbing Attack Update – Action News Now obtained surveillance video of the student stabbing attack from Wednesday. It shows one girl stabbing another in the neck and holding the object there. When she pulled it out the victim collapsed on the ground as another student rushed in to help. The victim is still in the hospital and the suspect remains in juvenile hall.

## 2-13-24: 4

Landline Fight – AT&T is talking about not being the designated landline for remote areas. It filed a letter with the state. But state utility regulators has to sign off on the request.

#### 2-21-24:5,6,11

Historic Carriage House Breakin – A crook broke in the Stansbury House carriage house and stole antique medical equipment the family had owned hundreds of years ago. There is surveillance video of a suspect prowling around the house but not of the actual crime.

## 2-22-24: 4,5,6,11 Deadly Landslide

Two young boys died in a landslide near Shasta Dam. Officials say they were playing near the edge of a hill when it collapsed.

## 2-23-24: 4,5,6,11

## Deadly Landslide Follow

We learned one of the boys was the son of a Redding Police Officer. They were camping with their families and getting ready for a dirt bike race scheduled for the weekend. They plan on holding a moment of silence around a makeshift memorial for the boys.

#### 3-4-24: 4,5,6,11

Jail Death Investigation: We're investigating why 3 people died in the Shasta County Jail in the course of the last 4 month. The sheriff's office says they're waiting on the coroner's report before releasing more information.

## 3-20-24: 4,5,6

Indecent Exposure Takedown: Police arrested a man for exposing himself to a young girl at the Chico Walmart. We spoke with the victim's mother about what happened.



3-25-25: 4,5,6,11

Lineman Student Death: A lineman student died in an accident during training at a local trade school. We were there live and report on the police investigation into how it happened.

## Wildfire

1-29-24: 4.5

Fawn Fire Hearing – Alexandra Souverneva - the woman accused of starting the 2021 fawn fire near Redding and her lawyers meet with prosecutors and the judge to set a trial date. They wanted to push it back but the judge said now. Her next court date is March 5<sup>th</sup>.

## **Politics**

1-5-24: 4,5,6,11

Ballot Initiative Name Change – A group of parents called Protecting California Kids is upset the state AG's office changed the name of its ballot initiative. It wants to put a law in place giving parents more rights when it comes to their kids gender identity questions and prohibit transgirls from playing in girl sports. It says the AG's office slants the title to make it look like its harmful to kids.

1-9-24; 4,5,6

Supervisor Recall Rally – Folks in favor of recalling Shasta County supervisor Kevin Crye rallied in downtown Redding. This is their first event before the March 5<sup>th</sup> primary/recall election and say they want Crye to know they're not happy with his performance.

1-24-24: 4,5,6

Voting Machine Test – Shasta County is testing all its voting equipment ahead of the March 5<sup>th</sup> primary. The county got rid of its Dominion Voting Machines after far right conservatives decided to end its contract. It's the first CA county to do so.

2-15-24: 4,5,6,11

Double Ballot Dilemma – One Shasta County woman received two ballots in the mail. Making the matter more curious – she says she's a convicted felon and can't vote. We checked with the registrars office and they say there was something wrong with the first ballot so they resent it, making the first one invalid. We also checked and you can get your right to vote back if you're a felon.

2-26-24: 4,5, 6

Campaign Sign Crime – Someone has been stealing signs in favor of Valley's Edge in Chico. One woman gave us video of two people stealing a sign. Police tell us it is a misdemeanor to steal or vandalize a campaign sign.

2-28-24: 11

Recall Breakdown – The recall of Shasta County Supervisor Kevin Crye is on the primary ballot. Those for the recall says if Crye stays in office the county will continue on it's extremist agenda. Crye tells us the recallers are not telling the truth when it comes to his agenda.



3-22-24: 4.5.6.11

Butte Final Election Results: The final results are certified by the Butte County election's office. We report the results for a controversial housing development.

## **Economy**

1-19-24: 4,5,6,

Gas Price Gap – Gas prices in Chico are more than \$4.40 a gallon on average but in Paradise.. the price is under \$3.80. We found out the pricing has to do with competitor pricing, delivery price and location.

3-6-24: 4.5.6

Taking Off: Chico Regional Airport working to bring back commercial flights. We speak with community members, businesses and Chico State about the impact the new service would bring.

## **Environment**

1-1-24: 5

Dam Danger – The DWR is working to keep the new spillway operating and safe. Last year they inspected more than 51 thousand feet of piping and replaced concrete and seals. They say it's in good shape.

1-24-24: 6

Trash Dam Cleanup – A large amount of trash – caught up in some branches along Big Chico Creek is causing it to rise. County crews say they'll be out to look at the situation in the next few days.

1-25-24: 4,5

Trash Dam Cleanup – County crews were out at Big Chico Creek one day after we reported a trash dam was blocking the waterway. They removed the trash and a gate that was tossed into the creek where the trash built up against.

2-13-26: 6

Wolf-Dog Hybrid on the loose – For four years a cross between a wolf and a dog has been roaming Paradise. In order to survive it's been stealing chickens and other small farm animals. Neighbors have been unable to catch it.

2-16-24 - 5,6,11

Wolf-Dog Hybrid Caught – a few days after our story the wolf dog hybrid was captured and safely taken to a sanctuary.

3-6-24: 6, 11

Outstanding Ballots: We're tracking the continuing ballot county in the primary election. In Shasta Count around 30,000 ballots still needed to be counted a day after polls closed.

#### Weather

1-22-24: 4,5,6,



Flooded Road Woes – Several Roads in Palermo and South Butte County are under water. Officials closed at least one of them and had to pull one driver to safety. One man says he's used to the roads flooding when it rains a lot.

Storm Damage Cleanup: 4,5,6,11

A powerful storm tore across the area leaving tens of thousands without power. In downtown Chico a massive tree fell on top of an apartment building. No one was hurt but the cleanup will take awhile.

Power Still Out: 4,5,6,11

Almost 30,000 people lost power in Sunday night's storms. Many remain powerless Monday. PG&E crews spent the day working to restore power. They had it back on to most of the customers by 11pm.

2-5-24: 4,5,6,11

Storm Cleanup – A strong storm whipped through the area knocking out power to tens of thousands of people.

Hundreds of trees came crashing down on homes and cars. Heavy rains flooded areas near the river and several roads. No injuries reported.

2-7-24: 4,5,6,11

Power Still Out – It's been four days since a storm slammed the area and thousands are still without power. We asked PG&E what's taking them so long. They tell us the wind is causing them problems.

2-19-24: 4,5,6,11

Tornado Warning – Butte County was under a tornado warning from 4-4:30pm. We are on air tracking the storm. Turned out to not be an actual tornado.

2-19-24: 4,5,6,11

Flooded Road Danger – Due to the severe storm and heavy roads, officials closed down many roads because of flooding. But that didn't keep some people from driving through. Luckily, no one got hurt.

3-1-24: 4,5,6,11

Severe Winter Storm Warning – A massive storm is heading into the area, the coldest one of the season. Most of the brunt will be felt in the higher elevations with up to 10 feet of snow, the valley mainly getting wind and rain. We're tracking the storm and showing you where to get help if needed.

3-29-24: 4,5,6,11

The Anthropocene Epoch: Our weekend meteorologist breaks down the proposal to create a new epoch based on the age of man and the impact on the climate.

#### Community

1-15-24: 4,5,6,11

MLK Day Celebrations – Breakfast and scholarship awards in Oroville. In Redding at Sequoia Middle School they had speakers talk about his legacy and the importance of love, unity and non-violence.

1-26-24: 11



Subways Closing – 18 local Subways closed down across three counties. All were owned by Delight Foods. We reached out to the company for details but no one would talk to us.

#### 1-29-24:11

Complete Streets Update – The city of Chico is considering remodeling a couple of its downtown streets, adding more sidewalk space, bike lanes and fewer parking spaces. Business owners say it will cost them customers while others are excited for the designated walking and biking zones. The city is hosting several workshops before council votes on it.

#### 2-9-24: 4.5.

Highway Revamp – The city of Chico got more than 30 million dollars to fix up and improve its streets. It will add bike lanes to several city and state roads. Cal Trans will add more traffic lights.

#### 2-21-24: 5,6,11

Land Use Lawsuit – A group of people filed a lawsuit against the Shasta County Supervisors over plans to move the Win River Casino.

## 3-27-24

State of the Town: The town of Paradise gave an update on recovery efforts after the Camp Fire. The talked about the sewer system plan for the business district.

## **Education**

## 1-22-24: 4,5,6,11

CSU-CFA strike. Today was the first day of CSU professors striking at the 23 state universities. In Chico, the picketed from 8am-5pm in the rain. Just before 10 the CFA Union announced it reached a deal for more pay and better benefits.

#### 3-8-24: 4,5,6,11

Substitute Teacher Racism Controversy: We spoke with a Paradise Unified family who claims a substitute teach used racial slurs regarding their son and forced him to play to role of Hitler in a dramatization lesson. The superintendent wouldn't confirm the teacher's name but did confirm the teacher no longer would be employed at the district.

## 3-1-24: 4,5,6,11

EMS Service Support: We looked into a new program that would give youth at risk of becoming homeless or incarcerated a chance to learn how to become an EMT and work in Glenn County where there is a health care provider shortage.

#### **Homeless Crisis**

#### 1-3-24: 4,5,6,11

Intake Center Repercussions – The latest in the saga of Safe Space vs the City of Chico tonight. The city denying the group its appeal to continue operating an intake center in the downtown area.

## 1-5-24: 4,5,6

Warming Center Future – The city and Safe Space have come to an agreement. The group can continue to operate its intake shelter at the Trinity United Church in downtown Chico until further notice. That gives both sides time to come to a more permanent agreement.



1-17-24: 4.5.6.11

Revolving Camp Clearouts – With so many homeless camps across our area there's not enough room for all of them in certain cities. So when it rains, many are forced to camp out under overpasses, leaving trash, drugs, clothes and more behind for the cities to clean up

2-28-24: 4,5

Supportive Housing – New permanent supportive housing is going up in Oroville. It can house up to 45 people who had been homeless. They tell us this is a lifesaving blessing.

2-28-24: 6

Winter Shelter Closes – Safe Space is stopping its warming shelter as it had planned to do. The timing us bad because a strong winter storm is moving in.

3-13-24: 4,5,6

Path Shelter Progress: We checked in on the efforts to open up a homeless shelter and navigation center in Tehama County. There is currently no shelter in the entire county.

3-18-24: 4,5,6

Helping the Unhoused: We looked at a new community center opening up to provide resources to the homeless in Redding.

#### Health

1-5-24: 4, 5

Doctor Shortage – Butte County is struggling with a doctor shortage. Public health says its making a three year plan to tackle health care access issues.

1-25-24: 4,5,6,11

VA Clinic Investigation – The Office of the Inspector General says the Chico VA Clinic failed two of its patients when it didn't treat them adequately. Both patients ended up in deadly confrontations with family members.

1-26-24: 4,5,6,11

VA Clinic Investigation Follow – The father of one of the patients is upset at how the OIG representative behaved off camera. He was told he gave pats on the backs of the employees when cameras weren't rolling.

#### Addendum:

The following is a list of non-profit organizations that have been interviewed live on our Noon Newscast on KHSL about their mission or upcoming events:

Guests who appeared on Action News Now at Noon for our 2 ½ minute Community Spotlight interview segment represented the following non-profit groups, agencies or events:



Monthly Camp Fire Recovery and Rebuilding Updates from Town of Paradise, Code 9 Project, Blues & Brews Benefit for the Torres Community Shelter, Oroville State Theatre, Local Food Network Feed Swap, Children's Choir of Chico, Blues Benefit for the Paradise Performing Arts Center, Oroville Chinese Temple, 2-1-1 Awareness Day, Nord Country School Pie Auction, Butte College President re: Spring Gala for Butte College Community Foundation, Girls on the run North State, North State Symphony Orchestra, Lip Sync Benefit to support Music Therapy for people with disabilities, Orland Women's Club, Chico Martin Luther King and Black History Month celebration, California Regional Theatre, Chico Senior Softball, Labels Art Project and Documentary, Challenger Baseball, Pleasant Valley High School Foundation, Butte Humane Society "Woof Stock", Nor Cal Ballet, Paradise Symphony Orchestra, Daffodil Dances & Duets for Paradise Art Hub, Oroville Arbor Day Festival, Boys & Girl's Club Paradise Cook-off, Butte County Food Network Garden Blitz, Brain Injury Awareness event, Cinderella's Closet, Inspire School of the Arts benefit, Chico Concerts, Wildflower & Nature Festival and Prom Project.