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<u>Name/Type/Source of Typical & Illustrative Program</u>	<u>Economy</u>
Date: JANUARY 3, 2011 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – FORECLOSURES Time: 5:00-6:00PM Length: 2:00 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News	Ric Romero informs us the number of Southern California residents losing their homes has dwindled since banks began honoring a moratorium on foreclosures. Experts believe the current economic climate will encourage homeowners to use short sales as an alternative to being foreclosed on.
Date: JANUARY 5 & MARCH 18, 2011 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – LA FILMING Time: 5:00-6:00PM, 4:00-5:00PM Length: 5:00 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News	Robert Holguin and Rob Hayes report film production is slowly coming back to Southern California after tax incentives were offered. The revenue generated from film productions dipped to an all time low during the budget crisis but new incentives have lured the entertainment industry back.
Date: JANUARY 6, 8, 12 & MARCH 24, 2011 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – LA BUDGET Time: 5:00-6:00PM, 5:00-7:00AM, 4:30-7:00AM, 6:00-6:30PM Length: 12:30 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News	John North and John Gregory report the city's financial woes are far from over. Los Angeles has experienced problems leasing property to the private sector to generate revenue and a \$26 million deficit in tax receipts. As a result, hundreds of city sponsored programs will lose funding and there will be a three month hiring freeze for police officers. The freeze will save close to \$4 million.
Date: JANUARY 7 & 10, 2011 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – OPERATION POTHOLE Time: 11:00AM-12:00PM, 5:00-6:00PM, 6:00-6:30PM Length: 6:55 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News	Sid Garcia reports that even though Los Angeles is financially strapped tens of thousands of potholes were filled. The pothole project was green lighted after thousands of residents complained and urged the L.A. City Council to stop cutting back on vital street services.

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<p>Date: JANUARY 7, 8, FEBRUARY 8, MARCH 4 & 5, 2011 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – JOBLESS Time: 5:00-6:00PM, 4:30-7:00AM, 6:00-6:30PM, 5:00-7:00AM, Length: 13:10 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Subha Ravindhran and Nannette Miranda explain that California had to borrow \$10 billion from the federal government to keep unemployment benefits going and will not have to make interest payments for two years. The deferral will save California \$362 million annually. Southern California's unemployment rate dropped a tenth of a percent to 12.4%. Analyst say the drop in unemployment is due to a majority of jobseekers giving up.</p>
<p>Date: JANUARY 7, 2011 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – LA TOURISM Time: 5:00-6:00PM Length: 2:05 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Robert Holguin explains the tourism industry in Los Angeles generates the most revenue for the city. During the height of the economic downfall the industry took a hit but last year tourists spent 13 billion dollars. The industry is hopeful that more tourists will be enticed to visit since the economy seems to be on an upswing.</p>
<p>Date: JANUARY 7, 2011 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – ROSEMEAD BLVD Time: 11:00-11:35PM Length: 2:15 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Leanne Suter reports local merchants in Pasadena are struggling to keep their doors open during a 2 ½ mile road construction project because of a 50% decline in sales. The merchants say the decline in revenue and the faltering economic climate has created a financial nightmare.</p>
<p>Date: JANUARY 10, 11, 12, 17, 19, 21, 22, 26, 29, 31, FEBRUARY 1, 8, 10, 24, MARCH 7, 10, 16, 17 & 26, 2011 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – STATE BUDGET Time: 5:00-6:00PM, 6:00-7:00AM, 11:00-11:35PM, 6:00-6:30PM Length: 34:55 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Nannette Miranda and John Gregory explain Governor Jerry Brown's attempts to reduce California's \$26 billion budget deficit. Governor Brown says California's economic forecast will continue to worsen if severe cuts in funding to government and social programs aren't approved. The governor also says extending the temporary tax hike will help prevent from cutting an additional \$12 billion in funding. Governor Brown eliminated 48,000 state employee cell phones and 11,000 state vehicles from the budget. The \$21 million annual bill for cell phones and \$16.5 million bill for state vehicles are funded by taxpayers.</p>

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<p>Date: JANUARY 13, 2011 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – HYUNDAI JOBS Time: 6:00-6:30PM Length: 2:45 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>John North reports that hundreds of job applicants showed up at an El Monte car dealer to apply for 40 positions. The large turnout and the small amount of jobs available are indicative of the state's unemployment problems. The Labor Department reported the number of unemployment applications reached its highest level since last October.</p>
<p>Date: JANUARY 14 & 15, 2011 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – BLUE SHIELD Time: 11:00-11:35PM, 4:30-7:00AM Length: 4:05 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Leo Stallworth says 200 thousand Blue Shield members had their health coverage premiums raised for the third time in six months. The California Insurance Commissioner is against the hike because of the unstable economy and says members will pay up to 59% more for benefits.</p>
<p>Date: JANUARY 15, 2011 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – BANK FEES Time: 8:00-9:00AM Length: 2:40 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Ric Romero explains bank customers are being charged for accounts that were once free. Financial institutions argue the tough economy and new limits on debit/overdraft fees have caused them to lose millions of dollars.</p>
<p>Date: JANUARY 16, 2011 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – CRUISE SHIPS Time: 4:00-5:30PM Length: 4:00 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Leanne Suter reports the sour economy and the escalating drug related violence in Mexico prompted Norwegian Cruises, Carnival Cruises and Royal Caribbean Cruises to leave the L.A. Port. The cruise lines have docked at the port for years and thousands of Southern California employees will lose their jobs. The local economy will also be hit hard, losing \$1 million in business from travelers.</p>
<p>Date: JANUARY 17, 2011 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – MONEY MYTHS Time: 11:00-11:35PM Length: 2:40 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Ric Romero spoke to a financial expert that has debunked several money myths. The expert explains how people with financial issues misuse credit cards and misinterpret the purpose of items on sale as a way to buy more. Various tips are given to help Southern California residents bounce back from the bad economy.</p>

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<p>Date: JANUARY 20, 2011 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – MORTGAGE HELP Time: 4:30-7:00AM, 11:00AM-12:00PM, 5:00-6:00PM Length: 9:15 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Elex Michaelson and Ric Romero report thousands of worried homeowners flocked to a mortgage convention to save their homes. The 11 day event allowed lenders and loan counselors to help over 100,000 Southern California residents facing foreclosure.</p>
<p>Date: JANUARY 21, 2011 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – LOST MONEY Time: 4:00-5:00PM, 5:00-6:00PM, 6:00-6:30PM Length: 14:10 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Ric Romero informs Southern California residents that the State Controller and his staff are trying to return unclaimed property funds to them. The state is holding more than \$13 million in unclaimed property accounts equaling billions of dollars. The Controller established a hotline for residents to claim their money.</p>
<p>Date: JANUARY 21, 2011 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – TRAUMA CENTERS Time: 5:00-6:00PM Length: 2:05 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Amy Powell reveals Congresswoman Jane Harman is fighting to keep L.A. County's four level one trauma centers open and ready to treat victims of disasters despite county budget problems.</p>
<p>Date: FEBRUARY 3, 2011 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – IE FOOD STAMPS Time: 4:00-5:00PM Length: 2:00 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Rob McMillan reports that despite California's troubled economy and high unemployment rates, the state has the lowest amount of residents relying on food stamps. San Bernardino residents say the stringent screening process put in place to prevent fraud deters people from getting the help they need.</p>
<p>Date: FEBRUARY 4, 2011 ABC7 – Eyewitness News –HOMELESS KIDS Time: 11:00-11:35PM Length: 2:45 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Robert Holguin reveals there are 200,000 homeless teenagers in California and some find free shelter at Covenant House. These houses also provide youth with food, clothing, medical services, legal assistance and job/educational training. Homeless teenagers are relieved to find shelter during these tough economic times.</p>

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<p>Date: FEBRUARY 7, 2011 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – MEDICAL CARDS Time: 5:00-6:00PM Length: 2:25 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Ric Romero reports that underinsured Southern California residents are using medical credit cards to pay for services. However, the cards have exorbitantly high interest rates and penalties attached to them, leaving the consumer in more debt than before. Romero urges viewers to read the fine print before agreeing to the terms of the credit contract.</p>
<p>Date: FEBRUARY 7, 18, 23, 24, 28, MARCH 1, 4, 5, 7, 9, 25 & 30, 2011 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – GAS PRICES Time: 6:00-6:30PM, 11:00AM-12:00PM, 11:00-11:35PM, 5:00-6:00PM, 4:30-7:00AM, 4:00-5:00PM, 5:00-7:00AM, 8:00-8:30AM, 4:00-5:30PM Length: 58:30 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Leo Stallworth, Elex Michaelson, Robert Holguin, Leticia Juarez, John Hartung, Ric Romero, Leanne Suter, Darsha Philips and Rob Hayes inform us that gas prices reached their highest level in three years. Southern California residents say they are feeling the pinch at the pump during these tough economic times. Charities are also saying gas prices are hampering their ability to help those in need.</p>
<p>Date: FEBRUARY 8, 2011 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – DOWNTOWN STREET CARS Time: 5:00-7:00AM, 11:00AM-12:00PM Length: 7:20 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Darsha Philips reports that an independent study revealed that bringing street cars back to Downtown Los Angeles will create over nine thousand jobs. If the proposed project is adopted it will help thousands of currently unemployed Southern Californians get back to work in this tough economy. Opponents of the project believe it will cause more congestion on roadways for commuters.</p>
<p>Date: FEBRUARY 10, 2011 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – CAR TAX Time: 6:00-6:30PM Length: 2:00 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Nannette Miranda reports that a state proposal by a lawmaker is aimed at raising vehicle license fees to help pay for programs. If the proposal is adopted then each county can approve the increase for their area. Southern California residents say the proposal will hurt them financially in this troubled economy.</p>
<p>Date: FEBRUARY 13, 2011 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – STATE PARKS Time: 7:00-8:00AM, 9:00-9:30AM, 4:00-5:00PM Length: 5:30 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Darsha Philips found that state beaches and parks are in jeopardy of closing because of California's state budget crisis. The troubled economy has prompted the California State Parks Foundation to consider hiring volunteers to take care of the parks. If the parks are closed it would be the first time in 150 years.</p>

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<p>Date: FEBRUARY 15 & MARCH 15, 2011 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – LAUSD LAYOFFS Time: 4:30-7:00AM, 4:00-5:00PM Length: 11:30 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Darsha Philips and Miriam Hernandez report the Los Angeles Unified School District sent out over four thousand pink slips to teachers and supporting staff due to a \$408 million budget deficit. The school district says it isn't receiving stimulus money this year and the layoffs are unavoidable.</p>
<p>Date: FEBRUARY 15, 2011 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – IE WILDOMAR PARKS Time: 5:00-6:00PM Length: 2:00 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Rob McMillan explains the Inland Empire City of Wildomar is struggling to keep its parks open because of budget problems. The city is asking its residents for the second time to pay for the upkeep of the parks or risk having them closed. Residents say they are not able to pay more taxes because of the economy.</p>
<p>Date: FEBRUARY 17, 2011 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – IE CONSUMER PRICES Time: 4:00-5:00PM Length: 2:15 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Leticia Juarez reports that food and fuel prices have skyrocketed due to the unrest in the Middle East, growing world demand and \$4 billion in crops ruined by freezing temperatures. Inland Empire residents say they are already financially strapped and upset that basic needs are so expensive.</p>
<p>Date: MARCH 2, 2011 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – CSU PROTEST Time: 11:00AM-12:00PM Length: 2:45 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>John Gregory reports California State University of Northridge students held an all day protest against tuition and fee hikes. The hikes have brought the cost of attending CSUs to \$5,000 a year and students say they are not able to afford college.</p>
<p>Date: MARCH 3, 2011 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – IE SCHOOL LAYOFFS Time: 4:00-5:00PM Length: 1:55 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Leticia Juarez explains that 272 teachers in the San Bernardino School District received "could be laid off" notices because of a possible \$25 million budget cut. The severity of the cut will depend on whether Governor Jerry Brown can get approval to let voters decide on extending the temporary tax hike.</p>

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<p>Date: MARCH 3, 2011 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – LA PENSIONS Time: 5:00-7:00AM, 5:00-6:00PM Length: 4:20 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Carlos Granda reports Los Angeles Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa is against the Police and Firefighters Pension Board's decision to increase benefits by 7%. Mayor Villaraigosa says the city cannot continue to fund benefit increases when the city is financially in the red. The mayor will try to overturn the decision but the board says it will take the matter to court if necessary.</p>
<p>Date: MARCH 4, 2011 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – HOMELESS CAMP Time: 5:00-6:00PM Length: 2:10 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Miriam Hernandez informs us during these tough economic times more Southern California residents are becoming homeless. There is a growing population of homeless people taking shelter in residential areas and near freeway onramps. Residents say they already live in crime ridden communities and are now having a hard time feeling safe with illegal camps blocks away from their homes.</p>
<p>Date: MARCH 8, 2011 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – IE FONTANA SPORTS Time: 5:00-6:00PM Length: 2:20 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Leticia Juarez reports the Fontana School District is considering cutting all high school sports and other discretionary programs to save \$2 million. Parents and students showed up to a school board meeting insisting the cuts would hurt students and urged to board to reconsider. The school district says it will have to cut an additional \$11 million from the budget if Governor Jerry Brown isn't able to get the temporary tax hike extended.</p>
<p>Date: MARCH 8, 2011 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – ENERGY SAVINGS Time: 6:00-6:30PM Length: 2:15 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Ric Romero informs us that Southern Californians can qualify for thousands of dollars in rebates and incentives by doing energy saving upgrades to their homes. The statewide Energy Upgrade California program could help homeowners get up to \$4,500.</p>
<p>Date: MARCH 17, 18 & 24, 2011 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – OC COSTA LAYOFFS Time: 5:00-6:00PM, 11:00-11:35PM, 6:00-6:35PM Length: 9:15 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Eileen Frere reports that over 200 Costa Mesa city employees received layoff notices due to a \$15 million budget deficit. The city also decided to outsource 18 city services to try and save more money. One city employee jumped to his death while at work before he received his notice.</p>

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<p>Date: MARCH 23, 2011 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – HOSPITAL OVERCROWDING Time: 4:30-7:00AM, Length: 4:00 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>John Gregory explains that a recently released report shows that overcrowding at County USC Medical Center is getting worse. The hospital director says Southern California residents are having a hard time keeping up their health insurance in this economy. The hospital director also says it will get worse with healthcare reform.</p>
<p>Date: MARCH 25, 2011 ABC7 – Eyewitness News – LA HUNGER Time: 4:00-5:00PM Length: 1:55 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Rob Hayes shows us alarming statistics about Los Angeles County leading the nation in hunger. The county's growing hunger problem was sparked by the troubled economy and staggering unemployment statistics. Food banks are overwhelmed with requests for assistance but do not have enough supplies. The charity Feeding America says more than 1.7 million people in Los Angeles County are in need of food assistance and that number will continue to grow until the economy gets better.</p>
<p>Date: MARCH 31, 2011 ABC7 – Eyewitness News –COMMUNITY COLLEGE Time: 4:00-5:00PM, 6:00-6:30PM Length: 4:15 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>John North explains the budget woes of the community college system. If the proposed state budget cuts take effect 18% of community college students will not be admitted into the system. The \$800 million cut in funding has triggered classes being cancelled or reduced in size, and fee hikes. Students say they are upset because community colleges are supposed to be affordable.</p>
<p>Date: MARCH 31, 2011 ABC7 – Eyewitness News –RISING PRICES Time: 11:00-11:35PM Length: 2:15 MINUTES Origin: Local Type: News</p>	<p>Leslie Miller explains that the price of everything has gone up and a Wal-Mart C.E.O. says inflation is just around the corner. Southern Californians say they are suffering as a result and can't afford to buy basic necessities. Retail giants that usually offer deep discounts are now following their competitors by raising their prices.</p>