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TX PLANNED PARENTHOOD

VO :20

A federal appeals judge stepped into the fight over the Texas Women's Health Program on Tuesday, saying he wanted to hear arguments on whether the state should be prevented from enforcing a law that bans Planned Parenthood from participating in the program.

JOBS AVAILABILITY

LUIS MEGID / SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

PKG 2:29

People argue of high unemployment rates, but some others said there are millions of employments available, but few people qualifies for them. For example, technological engineers and bus drivers.

BILINGUAL BRAIN

VO :19

The ability to speak two languages can make bilingual people better able to pay attention than those who can only speak one language, a new study suggests. Scientists have long suspected that some enhanced mental abilities might be tied to structural differences in brain networks shaped by learning more than one language, just as a musician's brain can be altered by the long hours of practice needed to master an instrument.

FACEBOOK ORGAN DONATIONS

VO :32

Starting today, FaceBook users in the United States and U.K. will be able to add that they're organ donors to their Timelines. Even if they're not organ donors, they can still find links to official organ donation registries and instantly enroll.

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JOB LOSS

LUIS MEGID / SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

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Yesterday, we saw how people argued of high unemployment rates, but some others said there are millions of employments available, but few people qualifies for them. For example, technological engineers and bus drivers. Today, Megid explains what to do to get those jobs, most of them needs some training that can take from 6 to 9 months with a cost of 9 thousand dollars

MORE TEENS SMOKING POT

VO :20

More teens are smoking pot. A new survey of young people by The Partnership at Drugfree.org says nearly 1 in 10 teens light up at least 20 or more times a month. The group also says abuse of prescription medicine may be easing a bit among young people in grades 9 through 12, but still remains high.

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WAL-MART TEXT SCAM

VO :20

Walmart is warning customers to be on the lookout for a "scam" text message that promise a \$1,000 gift card. Although the message appears to be from the retailer, Walmart said it did not authorize it and customers may be exposing themselves to identity theft or fraud. For many Walmart shoppers, it appears to be a text message from heaven: "You have been selected for a \$1,000 Walmart gift card." Regulars know that on receipts, Walmart asks shoppers to fill out a survey for a chance to win \$1,000 gift card. This text message also gives a web address with the retailer's web address, including some additional letters. Similar offers appear in text messages from other cell numbers, referring the shopper to different websites.

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STUDENT HUNGER STRIKE

JAIME GARCIA. LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

PKG 2:06

A dozen students at California State University are on a hunger strike to protest higher tuition and cuts to course offerings. Students at Cal State's Northridge campus are foregoing solid food for at least a week and say they might do so longer if administrators do not meet demands including a five-year moratorium on tuition increases, decreasing executive salaries to 1999 levels, the elimination of housing and car allowances for all 23 campus presidents and the extension of "freedom of speech areas" to include entire campuses.

UNEMPLOYMENT LATEST

MARIANA ATENCIO. MIAMI, FLORIDA

PKG 2:11

The number of people seeking U.S. unemployment benefits fell to a four-year low last week, suggesting employers kept hiring in March at a healthy pace. Weekly applications dropped 6,000 to a seasonally adjusted 357,000, the Labor Department said Thursday. That's the fewest since April 2008. The four-week average, a less volatile measure, fell to 361,750, also the lowest in four years.

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EXPIRING JOBLESS BENEFITS-CALIFORNIA

VO: 22

Across California 93,000 unemployed workers will receive more bad news: federal long-term benefits for chronically unemployed workers are set to expire. On May 12, they will join 670,000 other jobless Californians whose benefits have already run out. A drop in the state's unemployment rate to 11 percent - its lowest mark in three years -- is triggering the federal cutoff of the benefits that were granted by Congress to help laid-off workers during the recession. Under federal law, the rate of unemployment must be 10 percent higher than for the previous three years for the extended benefits to remain in each state. California's rate has been declining. The federal program gave the unemployed up to 99 weeks of benefits, the longest on record.

ILLINOIS FAMILY DEPORTATION

ERIKA MALDONADO - CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

PKG: 1:44

At least, that's the way it has been with Immigration and Customs Enforcement and its despised Secure Communities deportation program. Despite a task force assembled last year and its recommendations to reform the dreaded program, no meaningful change has taken place. "ICE has failed to make any substantive changes to its fundamentally flawed Secure Communities program, refusing even to establish a review panel to examine specific cases," said Michelle Fei co-director of the Immigrant Defense Project, which led the effort to suspend the program in New York through a coalition known as the New York State Working Group Against Deportation. "The agency has already deported over one million immigrants under President Obama watch by funneling immigrants into an unfair immigration system that only compounds the injustices of the criminal justice system," added Fei. It should not be forgotten that, according to the American Civil Liberties Union, among those deported were 46,486 parents of U.S. citizen children expelled in the first half of 2011. This resulted in at least 5,100 of these children being placed in foster care. By comparison, the ACLU states, in the entire decade between 1998 and 2007, about 100,000 such parents were deported.

IPHONE APP FOR MISSING CHILDREN

LILIANA ESCALANTE - LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

PKG 1:50

Kinder Town the startup behind the educational iOS app store for parents (and honestly, a personal fav) is expanding its focus today. According to feedback from its users, the number one complaint was that KinderTown wasn't available for older children. Now that changes, as the service will bump up its supported age range from 3-6 to include children ages 7 and 8 as well. To kick off the launch, 125 new

apps aimed at older children have been added to service, and more will be added every week. The company is also starting to see some growth, doubling the total number of users in April. In fact, KinderTown reports that it added more users in April than it did in the five previous months combined.

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TRUNK SMUGGLING ON THE RISE

VO :18

The number of incidents involving smugglers concealing illegal immigrants in vehicle trunks is on the rise, Tucson Border Patrol agents said. In the past month, agents rescued 25 suspected illegal immigrants found locked in vehicle trunks.

OBESITY STUDY

VO :20

A new report estimates about 42 percent of the American population will be obese by 20-30. The report, in the American Journal of Preventive Medicine, suggests an additional 30 million Americans will be obese in 18 years. This level of obesity will cost an additional 549-point-five-billion dollars in medical expenditures.

YOUNG HISPANICS ARE NOT REGISTER TO VOTE

LUIS MEGID / SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

PKG 1:53

Many young hispanics are turning 18 years old and are not registering to vote, according to a study.

CHRYSLER RECALL

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Chrysler Group is recalling about 119,000 Chrysler 300 and Dodge Charger sedans in the United States because of a problem that could cause the anti-lock brakes and electronic stability control systems to malfunction.

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IMMIGRANT GUNS

VO :20

A federal appeals court says illegal immigrants don't have a right to own firearms under the U.S. Constitution. Emmanuel Huitron-Guizar of Wyoming pleaded guilty to being an illegal immigrant in possession of firearms after his arrest last year. He was ordered held by immigration authorities at the Natrona County Detention Center in Wyoming. An attorney for Huitron-Guizar appealed the case, saying illegal immigrants are not excluded from possessing firearms like felons and people who are mentally ill, and should have the same rights as U.S. citizens to buy a gun for hunting and protection.

BORDER PATROL STRATEGY

LOURDES MELUZA / WASHINGTON, DC

PKG 2:00

The U.S. Border Patrol on Tuesday unveiled its first national strategy in eight years, a period in which the number of agents more than doubled and apprehensions of people entering illegally from Mexico dropped to a 40-year low. The new approach -- outlined in a 32-page document that took more than two years to develop -- uses buzzwords like "risk-based" and "intelligence-driven" to describe a more nuanced, targeted response to constantly evolving threats.

CALLING CARDS FRAUD

VO :26

The Hispanic Institute has conducted an independent study of calling cards. Its purpose is to determine if calls to certain destinations using commercially available prepaid calling cards are providing the amount of minutes specified by the card providers. The Hispanic Institute has learned that a wide-spread fraud is being perpetrated against Hispanics. A large number of companies that sell prepaid phone cards are systematically short-changing customers. The cards and voice-prompts falsely advertise a larger number of minutes than they actually deliver.

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BORDER ABUSES

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The American Civil Liberties Union said Thursday that border inspectors have used excessive force and performed humiliating body searches on travelers entering the United States from Mexico. The group offered 11 examples of alleged misconduct at crossings in California, Arizona and Texas going back to 2009 in a complaint to the U.S. Department of Homeland Security that requests investigations into each one. The 17-page letter describes a woman having her ankle cuffed to a pole at a Calexico crossing in March 2010, an inspector striking a man in the face in San Diego in April 2009 and a man being chained to a wall in Lukeville, Ariz., last year.

USA AIDS TRUVADA

VO :20

A U.S. Food and Drug Administration panel of outside experts recommended Gilead Sciences Inc's Truvada as a treatment for preventing HIV infection among people at risk for contracting AIDS, including homosexual and bisexual men. In a move that could lead to a new milestone for treatment in the evolution of the worldwide AIDS epidemic, the FDA advisory committee voted 19-3 to endorse the drug's use for controlling HIV infection among the highest risk group - men who have sex with men.

OPPORTUNITY AROUND COUNTRY

LOURDES MELUZA. WASHINGTON, DC

PKG 2:00

Economic mobility -- the ability of Americans to move up or down the economic ladder -- varies by state. A look at mobility shows eight states do better than the national average (green). Nine states have worse mobility than the national average (red). States in gray are not statistically different than the national average. Source: The Pew Center on the States, Economic Mobility Project The ability of individuals to achieve the American dream depends on where they live, according to the first state-by-state look at the opportunity to move up the economic ladder. People who live in Maryland, New Jersey, Connecticut, Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, Michigan and Utah are more likely to improve their economic standing after their prime working years than the typical American, a study by the Pew Charitable Trusts finds. In Louisiana, Oklahoma, South Carolina Alabama, Florida, Kentucky, Mississippi, North Carolina and Texas, people are less likely to improve their economic standing.

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NY CHANGING LATINO POPULATION

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Latinos are helping fuel New York City's population growth, but the composition of the Hispanic community is changing, according to an analysis of 2010 Census data released Thursday by the Department of City Planning. The Mexican-origin population of New York City skyrocketed from 2000 to 2010, while the Puerto Ricans that helped fuel the city's growth in the 1930s and 1940s abandoned the city in large numbers. The Mexican share of New York City's population jumped 73.7 percent to 319,263, with immigrants accounting for more than half of them. The Puerto Rican population, meanwhile, dropped 11.2 percent. Notwithstanding the decline, Puerto Ricans remain the largest Latino group in the city, with 723,621. Dominicans, the second-largest group by country of origin, also experienced strong growth, with an 8.2 percent jump, to 576,701. Latinos are New York City's second-largest ethnic group, with 28 percent of the total.

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EXTREME WEATHER ALERT

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Wireless carriers and the federal government are launching a system to automatically warn people of dangerous weather and other emergencies via a special type of text messaging to cellphones

NJ BANS TEXTING WHILE WALKING

VO :20

One city in New Jersey is cracking down on texting while walking. Officials in Fort Lee have begun issuing tickets up to \$85 for each offense.

The measure was implemented after a rise in pedestrian related accidents.

SECURE COMMUNITIES

VIVIANA AVILA / NEW YORK

PKG 1:48

Secure communities will begin tomorrow in NY. City Council members, immigration advocates and religious officials criticize Tuesday's planned implementation of the "Secure Communities" immigration enforcement program by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's Immigration and Customs Enforcement.

CA GAS PRICE SPIKE

VO :25

Motorists across most of the country have been getting a break on the price of gas, but not on the West Coast. The average price for a gallon of regular gasoline in Oregon was \$4.17 Monday, up 16 cents from last week. The average was \$4.20 in Washington state and \$4.35 in California. Both of those states also had double-digit increases.

COLORADO CIVIL UNIONS

VO :20

A last-ditch effort by Colorado's governor to give gay couples rights similar to married couples in the state has failed. Republicans on Monday rejected civil unions legislation during a special session that Gov. John Hickenlooper called to tackle the issue and others killed last week by a GOP filibuster.

CA BUDGET CRISIS

JAIME GARCIA / LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

PKG 1:50

California Gov. Jerry Brown will lay out details of a revised state spending plan Monday after announcing over the weekend that the state's budget shortfall has swelled to \$16 billion. Brown said the shortfall grew from the \$9.2 billion predicted in January, in part because tax collections have not come in as high as expected and lawsuits and federal requirements have blocked billions of dollars in state cuts.

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ALZHEIMER GOVERNMENT INCIATIVE

VO :23

Today Secretary of Health and Human Services Kathleen Sebelius laid out the Obama administrations plans to help those suffering from Alzheimers and their families. In addition to the 50\$ million that will be spent by the NIH on research money will be spent for education and assistance to families of Alzheimer patients.

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