



This is Channel 34 Univision News at 11:00pm with Rolando Nicos and Fabiola Kramsky.

**Anchor Lady – Fabiola Kramsky:**

Hello how are you? Thank you for joining us as we begin this week Monday August 8, 2005.

Thank you to those who are listening to us on 1020 AM Univision Radio Chain.

My partner Rolando Nicos is happily on vacation.

The intense activity of gangs in Long Beach does not permit relief in the battle against violence.

Francisco Pinto tells us how the city of Long Beach deals with gangs. Good evening.

**Reporter – Francisco Pinto**

How are you Fabiola?

What they have done is gone toward prevention by forming an alliance against crime. Formed by adolescents and gang members this group was created a little more than a year ago, specifically in May 2004.

What we have learned is that summer statistics on crime show that crimes committed by adolescents and gang members increased considerably.

This anti-violence group in Long Beach meets every second Monday of every month to give a public announcement or information about their findings.

They work with their community and their organization leaders, police department, churches, schools, volunteers and most importantly parents.

They create job opportunities, after school programs, whatever it takes to move youth away from the streets and gangs.

**PeaceBuilders – Linda Quiles:**

This is an anti-violence program for organizations that deal with youth. What we do is train the adults to create a peaceful environment for the children.

**Parent – Alfredo Ayala:**

What I tell people is to be strong and look after their children and take care of them because there is someone out there that will take them away if they as parents don't give their children the attention they are looking for. The children will look for attention somewhere else and they are going to join gangs or become involved with drugs and that is when the bigger problems begin.

**Reporter - Francisco Pinto:**

What results did this group bring about this year?

Well 24 fire arms have been confiscated.

More than 200 arrests were made involving youth who committed some type of crime. Something very important the Long Beach Police Department continues to do is to enforce a curfew from 10:00pm to 6:00am. This means that no one under the age of 18 is allowed on the streets if he/she is not accompanied by an adult.

Prevention is the way.

Fabiola back to you.

**Anchor Lady – Fabiola Kramsky**

Thank you very much. I am eager to contribute anything to the quality of life of all these young ones and to create a better society.

Thank you very much Francisco.  
Have a good night.