

# 2Pac, California Love (original version)

California love!

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Verse One: Dr. Dre

Now let me welcome everybody to the wild, wild west  
A state that's untouchable like Elliot Ness  
The track hits ya eardrum like a slug to ya chest  
Pack a vest for your Jimmy in the city of sex  
We in that sunshine state with a bomb ass hemp beat  
The state where ya never find a dance floor empty  
And pimps be on a mission for them greens  
Lean mean money-makin-machines servin fiends  
I been in the game for ten years makin rap tunes  
Ever since honeys was wearin sassoon  
Now it's '95 and they clock me and watch me  
Diamonds shinin lookin like I robbed Liberace  
It's all good, from Diego to tha Bay  
Your city is tha bomb if your city makin pay  
Throw up a finger if ya feel the same way  
Dre puttin it down for Californ-i-a

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Verse Two: 2Pac

Out on bail fresh outta jail, California dreamin  
Soon as I stepped on the scene, I'm hearin hoochies screamin  
Fiendin for money and alcohol the life of a west side playa  
where cowards die and it's all raw  
Only in Cali where we riot not rally to live and die  
In L.A. we wearin Chucks not Ballies (yeah, that's right)  
Dressed in Locs and khaki suits and ride is what we do  
Flossin but have caution we collide with other crews  
Famous because we programs  
Worldwide let'em recognize from Long Beach to Rosecrans  
Bumpin and grindin like a slow jam,  
It's west side so you know the row won't bow down to no man  
Say what you say, but give me that bomb beat from Dre  
Let me serenade the streets of L.A.  
From Oakland to Sacktown the Bay Area and back down  
Cali is where they put they mack down - Give me love!

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Dr. Dre: now make it shake...

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Outro: Dre, 2Pac

(Dre)uh, yeah, uh, longbeach in tha house, uh yeah  
Oaktown, Oakland definately in tha house hahaha  
Frisko, Frisko  
(Tupac) hey, you know LA is up in this  
(Dre) Pasadina, where you at  
yeah, Ingelwood, Ingelwood always up to no good  
(Tupac) even Hollywood tryin to get a piece baby  
(Dre) Sacramento, sacramento where ya at? yeah

(Tupac) Throw it up y'all, throw it up, Throw it up, I can't see ya  
Let's show these fools how we do it on this west side  
Cause you and I know it's tha best side

(Dre)yeah, That's right  
west coast, west coast  
uh, California Love  
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