

# KCLU-FM – KCLU – KCLM ISSUES & PROGRAMS REPORT FOR QUARTER 1: January 1 – March 31, 2023

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The abstracts listed in this report describe long form local news stories KCLU-FM, KCLU and KCLM broadcast about issues of community significance during the calendar quarter noted above. Unless stated otherwise, local features in Morning Edition aired at 6:46, 7:46 and 8:46 a.m. Local features in All Things Considered aired at 3:44 and 5:44 p.m. The length of each story is noted with the date of broadcast.

## ENVIRONMENT / ANIMAL PROTECTION

1/6/2023 4:17 Morning Edition

It's a whale of a story! Whales get new protections intended to keep them from being hit by ships. New measures include extension of shipping lanes off Tri-Counties, and doubling of area where commercial cargo ship travel is banned. There's some big news about efforts to protect endangered whales along the Central and South Coasts. An international agency has approved two important new steps to protect whales against one of the biggest threats they face, which is being accidentally struck by cargo ships.

## ENVIRONMENT / POLLUTION

1/9/2023 0:49 All Things Considered

Residents of Goleta are starting the year with a big clean up. It's a way to beautify a neighborhood as well as get rid of bulky waste. Out with the old, in with the new - that's plan for Goleta's first community clean-up event of the year. "Our residents love where they live and are very proud and appreciative of the nature we have in our backyard and have a desire to keep it clean," explained Melissa Nelson, the City of Goleta's Environmental Services Manager, of Saturday's Beautify Goleta event.

## PUBLIC SAFETY / CRIME

1/12/2023 3:40 Morning Edition

Newly sworn in Ventura County District Attorney is 'laser-focused' on the dangers of fentanyl. The dangers of opioid abuse and the steep rise in the presence of fentanyl are the focus of newly sworn in Erik Nasarenko. The sound of applause filled Ventura County Museum, as Erik Nasarenko was publicly sworn into office as Ventura County District Attorney this week. But from a moment of personal celebration, he told the audience that his own focus was on how to tackle the rise in opioid abuse in the county.

## PUBLIC HEALTH

1/24/2023 3:268 Morning Edition

The dangers of vaping is one of the topics at a Ventura County conference for teens. With flavors designed to entice young people, teens are being encouraged to "kick ash". High schoolers from across Ventura County are writing rap lyrics. But this isn't any music class. Their lyrics highlight the dangers of vaping and tobacco products and this is part of a Youth Tobacco-Free Advocacy Conference at Ventura County Office of Education, called Teens Kick Ash.

## PUBLIC HEALTH

1/31/2023 0:48 All Things Considered

A tribal dental health clinic on the Central Coast is offering a day of free treatment for children. The Santa Ynez Tribal Health Clinic is offering help to all young members of the Santa Ynez Valley and Santa Barbara County communities. What could be better than seeing a kid smile? A tribal health clinic on the Central Coast is helping local children to do just that, by offering a day of free dental treatment for kids.

**MENTAL HEALTH / YOUTH SERVICES**

2/2/2023 4:03 Morning Edition

Instead of creating peer pressure, some Ventura County high school students are giving peer support. Trained students help classmates with emotional and mental health issues. Mental health isn't just an adult issue. It can also be a big one for kids, especially teens. Some Ventura County high schools have a unique program which is giving teens emotional and mental health support, by involving some of their peers. "I was one of the many students struggling with mental health during the pandemic," said Jason Gutierrez. "I reached out, and got some of the help I needed." Gutierrez is one of the students assisted by one of the Wellness Centers located on eight Ventura County High School campuses. The program includes professional staff, but a small army of trained student volunteer wellness peers.

**HOMELESSNESS**

2/15/2023 3:44 Morning Edition

The mini-village offering up a different kind of solution to homelessness. Communities in the Tri-Counties are struggling to figure out solutions to homelessness and in Santa Barbara County, there's a village of mini-cabins, which differ from more traditional shelters. Billey Richardson shows me into his room at Dignity Moves village in Santa Barbara. "It helped me a lot, I've been going through Cancer treatment right now, it's stage 4...it's not good," he said. It's one of 34 similar rooms or cabins in a community providing temporary housing for those, like Billey, experiencing unsheltered homelessness across the County of Santa Barbara.

**VETERANS AFFAIRS**

2/15/2023 0:49 All Things Considered

There's a new way for veterans in need to access support in the Conejo Valley. A local non-profit for veterans and their families is expanding. The Gold Coast Veteran's Foundation connects Ventura County veterans with housing and social services, and they're expanding with a new satellite office in the Conejo Valley opening Wednesday.

**ENVIRONMENT**

2/16/2023 0:46 All Things Considered

They were dangerous, and deteriorating. Now, two old oil piers in Goleta have been removed. State Lands Commission officials say the piers at Goleta's Haskell's Beach were the last two shore zone oil piers in the state. It's a big milestone for a Tri-Counties community. The last two oil piers on its beaches have finally been removed. Starting in the late 1920's, more than a dozen piers were built in Goleta's Haskell's Beach area for oil drilling. Over the decades, all but two of the piers were removed.

**WEATHER / DISASTER PREPAREDNESS**

2/28/2023 0:49 All Things Considered

Santa Barbara County sets out goals for action on climate change. It's an ambitious roadmap to reducing carbon emissions. The County of Santa Barbara's Climate Action Plan outlines the county's strategy for reducing carbon emissions by 50% by 2030. "Basically cutting our emissions in half in a decade which is a pretty tall feat," said Garrett Wong, Climate Program Manager for the County of Santa Barbara. Wong said the plan aims to improve quality of life on many levels.

**HATE CRIMES / INTOLERANCE**

2/28/2023 4:33 All Things Considered

After recent hate incidents in Tri-Counties, some stand up and speak out against the problem. Some say we can't allow hate incidents and hate talk to go unchallenged. They're things that don't happen here in the Tri-Counties, right? A man is harassed, and then stabbed at a convenience store just because he's black. But it did happen, in Ventura. A church sign is vandalized, just because it welcomes members of the LGBTQ community. It happened, in Thousand Oaks. Antisemitic flyers are distributed throughout some neighborhoods. It happened in Santa Barbara, and Isla Vista. Hate crimes, and hate incidents aren't just things we see on CNN. They are things we find happening here at home, on the Central and South Coasts.

**CLIMATE CHANGE / DROUGHT / SUSTAINABILITY**

3/2/2023 0:52 Morning Edition

What does the rain mean for our water conservation efforts?. With all of this recent rainfall and the hills looking green, you might think there's good news for water conservation efforts. After years of drought, precipitation is, apparently, back with a vengeance. "It's going to allow water agencies to reduce their restrictions on outdoor watering," said Michael McNutt from Las Virgenes Municipal Water District, which service parts of Ventura County. He says, while the recent rainfall is certainly good news for water conservation efforts, it's not more than a moment in which we can "catch our breath" before looking to the future.

**ENVIRONMENT**

3/2/2023 4:13 Morning Edition

New oil pipeline controversy! The pipeline which ruptured in Santa Barbara County is back in the news. The owners say they need to add 16 automatic safety shutoff valves to meet new state requirements, but opponents fear it will lead to reactivating the line. It's been nearly eight years since a crude oil pipeline ruptured on Santa Barbara County's Gaviota coastline. More than 140,000 gallons of oil ended up on the coast, and in the ocean. The pipeline has been shut down ever since. But now, a proposal meant to improve the pipeline's safety has created new attention, and controversy.

**NON PROFIT / FOOD SECURITY**

3/4/2023 0:49 Morning Edition

Food Banks in the Tri-Countries are bracing themselves for extra demand. A Federally-funded program which provides monthly food benefits to low-income individuals and families is set to end this month. CalFresh benefits were extended during the pandemic but those extra payments are set to end this month.

**AFFORDABILITY**

3/8/2023 0:49 Morning Edition

There's new financial help available for families who are struggling with paying their water bills. The new Low Income Household Water Assistance Program can help eligible low-income Santa Barbara County residents who are struggling financially and are unable to afford their water bills. The new Low Income Household Water Assistance Program can help those who are struggling financially and are unable to afford their water bills.

**PUBLIC SAFETY / MASS TRANSIT**

3/9/2023 0:49 All Things Considered

A way to improve the safety of a commuter rail service has been rolled out. The system automatically alerts Metrolink trains — which serve Ventura County — and applies the brakes in the event of an earthquake. The cutting-edge technology utilizes the USGS Shake Alert system data to automatically stop or slow Metrolink trains before impacts of shaking occur.

**AFFORDABILITY**

3/10/2023 3:10 All Things Considered

What's the economic situation like for business owners in the Conejo Valley? We've been hit by gas prices, rising inflation and there's talk of a recession. It's an opportunity to figure out how the region's economy is performing. The Regional Economic Forecast brings together industry leaders and experts in the Conejo Valley.

ENVIRONMENT / CONSERVATION / CLIMATE CHANGE

3/13/2023 0:49 Morning Edition

Better protections for our marine life amid the climate crisis are being proposed. Democratic Congresswoman Julia Brownley of Westlake Village, is introducing a bill to protect marine mammals from the impacts of climate change. The Marine Mammal Climate Change Act would introduce legislation to better protect marine mammals that are threatened by the climate crisis.

ACTIVISM / NON PROFIT

3/14/2023 3:42 All Things Considered

Nuclear disarmament is the goal for a Santa Barbara-based non-profit. The Nuclear Age Peace Foundation works towards a world free of nuclear weapons. A world free of nuclear weapons may seem farther away than ever, but that's what the Nuclear Age Peace Foundation works towards. They're a non-profit, non-partisan organization, based in Santa Barbara, who have been advocating for 40 years for nuclear disarmament.

ELECTIONS / CAMPAIGN FINANCE

3/16/2023 4:28 Morning Edition

Proposed repeal of Ventura County's campaign finance reform ordinance generates controversy. Proponents call it redundant because of state laws, but opponents say it would lift individual donation limits to county candidates from \$750 to \$5500. How do we make sure that the people who represent us aren't influenced by big campaign donors? In Ventura County, elected county officials have been covered by two decades by a campaign finance reform ordinance. But, there's controversy over a proposal to repeal it.

CLIMATE CHANGE / ENVIRONMENT

3/21/2023 4:41 Morning Edition

Why is the Tri-Counties getting so much rain? It's the combo of storms and atmospheric rivers. The latest storm is the 12th time we've seen this one-two punch this rainfall season. Here we go again! Yet another major storm is hitting the Tri-Counties. "This does have a weak atmospheric river tied into it," said Robbie Munroe, who's a meteorologist with the National Weather Service in Oxnard. "Unlike some of the previous storms we've had this winter, this storm is coming from the Southwest, so Southern Santa Barbara County and Ventura County could get more rain than the Central Coast." It's been a banner year for systems which mix traditional winter storms from the Gulf of Alaska with atmospheric rivers. They amplify the rainfall. The storms drag tropical moisture to the West Coast, basically providing the fuel for enhanced rainfall and snowfall.

PUBLIC SAFETY / ENVIRONMENT

3/22/2023 0:37 All Things Considered

Tornado which hit Santa Barbara County said to be the first confirmed in county in three decades. Meteorologists say tornado started as a waterspout which moved onshore. We now know more about the tornado which touched down in Santa Barbara County this week, damaging more than two dozen mobile homes.

HATE CRIMES / INTOLERANCE

3/23/2023 4:09 All Things Considered

News study shows spike in anti-Semitic incidents in Tri-Counties. ADL survey shows nearly two dozen cases reported on Central, South Coasts in 2022. A new study shows that antisemitism is on the rise in the United States, and in the Tri-Counties. But, that comes as no surprise to Rabbi Michael Barclay, with Temple Ner Simcha in Westlake Village.

**ENVIRONMENT / SUSTAINABILITY**

3/23/2023 4:35 All Things Considered

Volunteer-based effort to add 100,000 plants to the Santa Monica Mountains hitting goal. The project's goal was to plant 50,000 trees and plants a year over two years, with the focus on replacing much of what was lost to the 2018 Woolsey wildfire. We are walking up a trail in the Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation area, near Paramount Ranch. As we enter a meadow, everything is green. But, that wasn't the case a few years ago. The nearly 100,000 acre Woolsey Wildfire in 2018 ravaged the mountains.

**HOMELESSNESS**

3/27/2023 0:30 All Things Considered

More people living on the streets? New study shows homelessness up in Ventura County. Mini-census shows a 9% increase in unhoused people in the county. The count found more than 2400 homeless people in the county, which was up by around 9% from 2022. The county's 2023 Homeless Point In Time Count was conducted in January, with hundreds of volunteers spreading out to do a mini census survey.

**AFFORDABILITY / DIVERSITY**

3/29/2023 0:57 Morning Edition

'Narrative-changing' research into the economic contributions of Latinos being presented in Ventura County. The Latino GDP Project is being presented in Thousand Oaks and uses publicly available data from major US agencies to give insight of the large and rapidly growing economic contribution of Latinos living in the US.