

KQEI-FM QUARTERLY PROGRAMS LISTING

During the period of January 1, 2024, to March 31, 2024, KQEI-FM has served the public interest by broadcasting materials which treated significant problems and needs of concern to the community. The following is a listing of some of the problem areas ascertained through personal interviews, format group meetings, and other similar on-going contacts with a wide range of Bay Area community leaders, and some of the programming aired in response to those stated areas of concern.

1. WORK, EMPLOYMENT, JOBS

On Shifting Ground with Ray Suarez

The Future of Work

While many Baby Boomers have already left the workforce behind, almost half are considering coming out of retirement in search of a new purpose in life. Leading sociologist and business economist Mauro Guillén joins Ray Suarez to explain why the days of "OK Boomer" are coming to an end... and why the future of work will be "post-generational." 1/1/24 10:00 pm (repeats at 1am) Public Affairs. <59:00min>

Forum with Alexis Madrigal

San Francisco Workforce

A lot of ink has been spilled about the outflow of workers from San Francisco and the Bay Area. But according to a report in the Harvard Business Review, San Francisco is more like a "meta city," a metropolitan hub with satellites in other states. "In the technology world, San Francisco remains the center. It remains the sun on which the planets orbit." Those planets include places like Portland, Seattle and Austin. We'll talk about this concept and what it might mean for the city's economic future, and self-esteem. Public Affairs. 1/11/24 9:00 am (repeats at 8pm) <59:00min>

Here & Now

Gender Pay Gap

It's the 15th anniversary of the Lilly Ledbetter Fair Pay Act, which made it possible for workers to sue over longstanding pay disparities. Now, a number of states have enacted transparency laws to improve pay equity. Here & Now asks how much the gender pay gap has closed in the past 15 years. That story, and all the news. Public Affairs. 1/29/24 11:00 am <59:00min>

Forum with Alexis Madrigal

Sonoma County Staff Shortage Hurts Workers, Residents

Sonoma County's airport, jail and social services office, among other county services, are suffering from severe understaffing. According to a six-month investigative report by Sonoma's Press Democrat, vacancy rates for key county positions range from 25% to 41%. Burnout, turnover and early retirements are contributing to the crisis. Meanwhile, frustrated county residents seeking assistance face long lines, interminable hold times and busy phone signals. We'll talk about how Sonoma is trying to address these problems, which are common to many Bay Area counties. Public Affairs. 2/12/24 9:00 am (repeats at 8pm) <59:00min>

Marketplace

Firefighter Labor Force

Federal wildland firefighters are essential for dealing with increasingly frequent wildfires, but budget impasses in Congress could mean a pay cut in the future, and that's taking a toll on morale. The state of the firefighter labor force. Public Affairs. 2/21/24 4:00 pm (repeats at 6:30pm) <29:00min>

Forum with Mina Kim

Performance Reviews are Underperforming; What Should Replace Them?

For years, observers of workplace culture have predicted the death of the annual performance review, calling it ineffective, unpopular and often biased. But some companies are trying to make it better. Does more frequent, real-time feedback sound good to you ... or the use of AI to monitor your productivity? We'll talk with workplace experts about the future of performance reviews and hear from you. What do you think are the best ways to evaluate employees in today's changing workplace? Public Affairs. 2/27/24 10:00 am (repeats at 9pm) <59:00min>

Marketplace

AI Resume Spammers

Applying for jobs these days can be tough, so to make the process easier, some applicants are turning to AI to help with applications. A look at the risk - and reward - of using AI resume spammers to apply for positions. Public Affairs. 3/28/24 4:00 pm <29:00min>

Commonwealth Club

Jerry Kaplan: What You Need to Know About Generative AI

Have we finally reached the point with artificial intelligence that we have machines that match or exceed human intelligence? If so, which industries and jobs will thrive and which will disappear? What are the risks and dangers to us all? Jerry Kaplan joins the Commonwealth Club for a deep-dive into generative AI. Public Affairs. 3/28/24 10:00 pm (repeats at 1am) <59:00min>

How I Built This

When Trucks Drive Themselves

The show meets a start-up that's trying to fix the shortage of truck drivers with self-driving technology. A talk with Chris Urmson of Aurora. Public Affairs. 3/31/24 3:30 pm <29:00min>

2. POVERTY, HOUSING & HOMELESSNESS

Commonwealth Club

Analyzing Problems in America's Big Cities

From a drug epidemic to housing shortages to homelessness, America's big cities have faced a series of problems that have been particularly acute following the pandemic. Seattle-based conservative commentator Jason Rantz joins the show this week to argue that left-wing politics are ruining American cities, making those problems worse instead of solving them. Public Affairs. 1/4/24 10:00 pm (repeats at 1am) <59:00min>

Planet Money

Mass Produced Homes

When companies have tried to make cheaper housing in factories, the results included UFO-shaped dwellings - and other surprises. A look at the past and future of mass-produced homes. Public affairs. 1/7/24 3:00 pm <29:00min>

Commonwealth Club

Kevin Adler: Ending Homelessness in America

How often have you walked down the street, passing a person sleeping in a doorway or in a tent? As cities across the country grapple with a persistent homelessness crisis, much of the focus is on what public policy would best address the problem. Miracle Messages founder Kevin Adler joins the show to talk about what individuals can do. Public affairs. 1/11/24 10:00 pm (repeats at 1am) <59:00min>

Commonwealth Club

For Richer, Not Poorer: Richard Kahlenberg on How Nimbysism Hurts Working Class

He calls it "snob zoning," and Richard Kahlenberg says such public policies are serving to keep cities segregated and prevent working-class Americans from securing affordable housing. With home for-sale and rental prices near record highs, what can be done? Kahlenberg explains on the next Commonwealth Club. Public affairs. 2/1/24 10:00 pm (repeats at 1am) <59:00min>

Planet Money

Universal Basic Income Experiment in Kenya

There's a basic question in economics that's kind of hard to answer: How do you help people out of poverty? What if the cure for people not having money was just giving them money, no strings attached? Planet Money looks at the best way to give money to people who need it. Public affairs. 2/18/24 3:00 pm <29:00min>

Forum with Alexis Madrigal

San Francisco's Prop F Would Cut Cash Aid for People Who Use Drugs and Refuse Treatment

San Francisco is in the midst of a devastating drug crisis with a record number of overdose deaths last year. In an attempt to address the problem, Mayor London Breed has put a measure on the March 5th ballot that would deny cash assistance benefits to people who use drugs and refuse treatment. Breed has said Proposition F would usher more people into getting help as well as stopping taxpayer dollars from contributing to overdose deaths. Opponents say the measure would do more harm than good by penalizing vulnerable residents who need public assistance to survive. We'll examine Prop. F and hear from voters. Public affairs. 2/29/24 9:00 am (repeats at 8pm) <59:00min>

Marketplace

Return to Market

As sellers return to the housing market, and as more homes go on sale, prices are finally coming down, which is spelling hope for potential homebuyers. A look at what's bringing the sellers back, and what it means for buyers. Public affairs. 3/18/24 4:00 pm (repeats at 6:30pm) <29:00min>

Forum with Alexis Madrigal

What Will the Realtors' Settlement Mean for the Bay Area Housing Market?

The rules that guide real estate transactions could soon change dramatically. As part of a \$418 million legal settlement, the powerful National Association of Realtors has agreed to eliminate the standard 6-percent sales commission. Under the settlement, subject to a judge's approval, home listings will no longer automatically offer commission to buyers' agents, requiring buyers to negotiate fees upfront. We'll talk about what that might mean for realtors, consumers and Bay Area home prices. Public affairs. 3/26/24 9:00 am (repeats at 8pm) <59:00min>

Political Breakdown

Secretary Tomiquia Moss

As California grapples with how to reduce homelessness, we sit down with Gov. Gavin Newsom's top housing official. Join KQED's Marisa Lagos and Guy Marzorati for a conversation with Tomiquia Moss, secretary of the Business, Consumer Services and Housing Agency. Public affairs. 3/28/24 6:30 pm <29:00min>

3. SCHOOLS, EDUCATION, CHILDREN

Kelly Corrigan Wonders

Going Deep With Aliza Pressman on Sane Parenting

Living in an optimization culture is making parenting much more complicated than it need be. Or so says Dr. Aliza Pressman, author of "The Five Principles of Parenting" and the host of Raising Good Humans, who spends a lot of time with the latest research and a lot of time with parents in clinic. This conversation is about exactly what does and does not protect us from the worst health outcomes and is to be shared with anyone who is looking for a parenting north star. Public affairs. 1/3/24 10:00 pm (repeats at 1am) <59:00min>

Forum with Alexis Madrigal

School Absenteeism has Doubled Since the Pandemic

Last year, nearly a quarter of public school students in California were considered "chronically absent" - more than double what it was before the pandemic. Factors such as parent work schedules, poverty, and lack of interest have led millions of students to miss more than 10 percent of the school year. In response, many schools are trying everything from hiring social workers to offering Uber rides and tastier food to bring more kids to the classroom. We'll talk with experts and school administrators about chronic absenteeism and what they are doing about it. Public affairs. 1/8/24 9:00 am (repeats at 8pm) <59:00min>

Forum with Mina Kim

How is Gentle Parenting Going?

The "gentle parenting" movement has gained traction in recent years, driven in large part by social media. Parents magazine has described gentle parenting as "a means of parenting without shame, blame, or punishment." Proponents say it's all about parenting with empathy and respect, a stark contrast to the power dynamics of prior generations. But what happens when those well-meaning techniques fail? We'll talk with experts about the benefits and limits of gentle parenting. Public affairs. 1/11/24 10:00 am (repeats at 9pm) <59:00min>

Fresh Air

'Safe' Author on Foster Parenting

Author Mark Daley and his husband wanted children. Their choices were surrogacy, private adoption - which can take years - or becoming foster parents. They decided to foster. Daley talks about parenting two young boys who had experienced trauma, and dealing with the dysfunction within the foster care system. He's written a new memoir called "Safe." Public affairs. 2/6/24 7:00 pm <59:00min>

Kelly Corrigan Wonders

Deep Dive With Manu Meel on Making College Work

Manu Meel is helping college kids talk to each other - inside and outside of classes, individually and in groups, in person and online - about all kinds of important issues where there is a lot of disagreement. He is also as positive and bright as any guest the show has ever had. Public affairs. 2/7/24 10:00 pm (repeats at 1am) <59:00min>

Forum with GUEST HOST Grace Won

Bumpy Financial Aid Rollout Worrying Students, Colleges

With the soaring cost of college tuition, which at some private universities can hit over \$80,000 a year, it's not surprising that over 85% of American families apply for financial aid. A critical step in that process is completing the FAFSA, the Free Application for Federal Student Aid. But this year, the Education Department's rollout of a new form has been bedeviled by delays and technical problems that are affecting the admissions process for colleges, students and their families. Some universities are rolling back enrollment deadlines while others are waiting in hope that the issues will resolve. We'll talk with financial aid experts and hear from you: Are you applying for financial aid? How has that process been for you? Public affairs. 2/22/24 9:00 am (repeats at 8pm) <59:00min>

Forum with Mina Kim

Crumbley Convictions Could Signal Expanding Parental Liability for Mass Shootings

James and Jennifer Crumbley are set to be sentenced next month after separate juries convicted them of involuntary manslaughter for failing to prevent their son from killing four classmates in a 2021 mass shooting at a Michigan high school. The Crumbleys' convictions mark the first time in U.S. legal history that the parents of a school shooter have been found criminally liable for their child's actions. Some legal analysts say the highly specific facts of the case mark it as an outlier. But others say it could set precedent for parental liability - for gun crimes and beyond. We'll talk about the verdicts and their potential ramifications. Public affairs. 3/20/24 10:00 am (repeats at 9pm) <59:00min>

Forum with Mina Kim

Why More Boys Are Developing Eating Disorders

For decades, it's been primarily women and girls who tend to be diagnosed with eating disorders. But recent research shows that adolescent boys are prone to disordered eating as well, though they may exhibit different symptoms from girls. Where disordered eating in girls can focus on thinness, in boys, eating disorders can be complicated by athletic training or a desire for increased muscle mass, making it harder to diagnose under current criteria. We talk about the challenges of diagnosing and treating eating disorders in boys, and we'll hear from you: Do you have a personal experience with an eating disorder? Public affairs. 3/21/24 10:00 am (repeats at 9pm) <59:00min>

Planet Money

Secret World of School Fundraisers

Every year, multiple times a year, schools turn students into little salespeople – sometimes, alongside corporate salesmen with names like Mr. Cheesecake. Planet Money goes inside the weird world of school fundraisers. Public affairs. 3/24/24 3:00 pm <29:00min>

4. GOVERNMENT, THE POLITICAL PROCESS, THE MILITARY

Forum with Mina Kim

Trump on State Ballots

The Supreme Court has agreed to decide whether Donald Trump's name can appear on the Colorado Primary ballot, inserting the nation's highest court into the debate occurring across several states. California itself considered whether Trump should be disqualified because of his actions on Jan. 6, 2021, before deciding to include Trump's name. The case will be argued on Feb. 8, and the court will probably decide it quickly. The Colorado Republican Party had urged the justices to rule by March 5, when many states, including Colorado, hold primaries. Public affairs. 1/10/24 10:00 am (repeats at 9pm) <59:00min>

NPR Special Coverage

Iowa Presidential Nominating Contests

Monday marks the kickoff of the 2024 presidential race with the Iowa caucuses, hosted at various community sites. KQED carries live coverage from NPR. Public affairs. 1/15/24 5:00 pm <118:00min>

Forum with Guest Host: Guy Marzorati

San Jose Mayor Matt Mahan

San José Mayor Matt Mahan's first year in office has been marked by a series of confrontations with his opponents, chiefly the city's powerful labor unions. And as we approach the election for the mayor's office this year, no major candidates have emerged to challenge Mahan, despite that tension with unions. San José's recent mayoral contests have typically pitted a progressive candidate supported by labor unions against a more moderate candidate supported by the business community. We talk to Mahan about his first year in office, and what his plans are for the future. Public affairs. 1/16/24 9:00 am (repeats at 8pm) <59:00min>

Forum with Mina Kim

'The Blinding Future of Nuclear Weapons' With Journalist Sarah Scoles

The United States is in the middle of a massive modernization effort of its nuclear weapons, as tensions rise globally, from Russia's invasion of Ukraine to expanding arsenals in China and North Korea. Journalist Sarah Scoles set out to understand the U.S.'s biggest reinvestment in its atomic infrastructure in decades by talking with the people who work on them daily, scientists at nuclear labs. In the process, as she documents in her new book "Countdown," she interrogates our need for these weapons and their impact on war – and peace. She joins us to share more about the science, technology and philosophy of nuclear weaponry. Public affairs. 2/6/24 10:00 am (repeats at 9pm) <59:00min>

NPR Special Coverage

SCOTUS Case on Trump Eligibility

KQED broadcasts oral arguments in Trump v. Anderson, the Supreme Court case reviewing if Colorado can legally block former President Donald Trump's 2024 ballot eligibility due to actions during the Jan. 6 insurrection. Public affairs. 2/8/24 6:44 am <193:00min>

Political Breakdown

Trump's Legal Woes

Yet another day in court for former President Donald Trump. This time, the Supreme Court considers whether he can be taken off the Colorado ballot – just weeks before the Super Tuesday primary. We dig into the arguments, and his other legal woes. Join KQED's Marisa Lagos and Scott Shafer on Political Breakdown. Public affairs. 2/8/24 6:30 pm <29:00min>

Forum with Mina Kim

Barbara McQuade on the Disinformation That's 'Sabotaging America'

By early January 2021, 61 courts and the U.S. Justice Department under Donald Trump had rejected the former president's claims that he'd lost the 2020 election because of fraud. Nevertheless, fed by Trump and those who believed the election disinformation he spread, the Stop the Steal movement flourished and culminated in the Jan. 6 Capitol insurrection. University of Michigan law professor Barbara McQuade has dissected the manipulative messaging tactics disinformers use to promulgate conspiracies like Stop the Steal. We learn how to identify those tactics and what we can do to combat them legally and politically. McQuade's new book is "Attack from Within." Public affairs. 3/1/24 10:00 am (repeats at 9pm) <59:00min>

California Newsroom Statewide Primary Special Coverage

Super Tuesday Primary

KQED hosts live coverage of California results in the March 5 Super Tuesday primaries. Tune in for up-to-the minute results and analysis. Public affairs. 3/5/24 9:00 pm <59:00min>

Forum with Mina Kim

Election 2024: California Super Tuesday Results

California voters finish casting their ballots on Tuesday to choose their top two candidates for U.S. Senate and decide the fate of Proposition 1, the mental health services measure supported by Gov. Gavin Newsom. We'll take stock of those results, check in on key congressional races around the state and look at the outcome of the presidential nominating contests nationwide. Public affairs. 3/6/24 10:00 am (repeats at 9pm) <59:00min>

5. POLICE, LAW ENFORCEMENT, CRIMINAL JUSTICE

Forum with Mina Kim

'Chowchilla' Reexamines Harrowing 1976 School Bus Kidnapping

In 1976, in the Central Valley town of Chowchilla, 26 children and their school bus driver were kidnapped by three masked men and held captive for twenty-eight hours until they managed to free themselves and escape. Although no one was physically harmed, the incident took a severe emotional toll on the children and would go on to influence how we address childhood trauma. A new CNN documentary takes a fresh look at the event, getting first-hand accounts from the survivors and recreating the harrowing ordeal. We'll speak with the film's director and one of the survivors about the impact of the kidnapping and its aftermath. Public affairs. 1/19/24 10:00 am (repeats at 9pm) <59:00min>

The California Report Magazine

Could Pickleball Help Change Prison Culture?

California's oldest prison, San Quentin, has a new name. It's now the San Quentin Rehabilitation Center. It was already known for its college classes and arts programs. But Gov. Newsom is hoping a major overhaul of the prison and new programs for everything from therapy to education and job training will be a model for prisons across the state. This week, *Uncuffed*, a podcast produced by incarcerated journalists at San Quentin, talks about a moment when the wall between correctional officers and incarcerated men broke down just a little bit over something new: a game of pickleball. Public affairs. 1/19/24 4:30 pm (repeats at 6:30 pm) <59:00min>

Forum with Mina Kim

Brutality of Philippines' War on Drugs Laid Bare in 'Some People Need Killing'

In most of the world, "salvage" is a hopeful word, writes journalist Patricia Evangelista. But in Philippine English, to salvage is also to execute a suspected criminal without trial. The salvages of suspected drug users and dealers encouraged by former Philippine President Rodrigo Duterte are the subject of Evangelista's new book "Some People Need Killing," which draws its title from the words of a vigilante she interviewed. According to human rights organizations, more than 30,000 people were extrajudicially executed in the Philippines for alleged narcotics offenses by the time Duterte left office in 2022. Evangelista interviewed the families of victims, and we talk to her about the impact Duterte's terrifying war on drugs had on them and on the country. Public affairs. 1/24/24 10:00 am (repeats at 9pm) <59:00min>

Forum with Alexis Madrigal

Alameda County District Attorney on Progressive Approach to Rising Crime, Recall Against Her

Alameda County District Attorney Pamela Price was elected into office in 2022 on a reform platform to root out racial and socioeconomic disparities in the county justice system and end mass incarceration. But as Oakland contends with a surge in crime and as brazen robberies and assaults shake residents, Price has become the target of a well-funded recall campaign from those who say criminals are emboldened by a lack of consequences. We talk with Price about her vision for the office and the recall campaign against her. Public affairs. 2/6/24 9:00 am (repeats at 8pm) <59:00min>

Washington Week with The Atlantic

Consequential Week in Court for Former President

A New York judge set March 25 as the start date in former President Donald Trump's hush money case, making it the first criminal trial against a former American president. Meanwhile, a hearing that could derail Trump's Georgia election interference case is also underway, as a judge considers whether Fulton County District Attorney Fani Willis should be removed from the case. Public affairs. 2/17/24 4:30 am <29:00min>

Forum with GUEST HOST Scott Shafer

What's Driving Brazen Retail Theft; And What Should We Do About It?

In this era of dramatic videos of smash and grab robberies going viral and drug stores locking up many of their shelves, retail theft is getting a lot of attention. Police departments are making fewer arrests and solving fewer property crimes. Are shoplifting and "smash and grabs" really on the rise, or are we just noticing them more? Either way, there is a growing movement to crack down on thieves and reform sentencing laws. A proposed ballot initiative would roll back portions of Prop. 47, a California law that reduced prison sentences for petty crimes including shoplifting. We'll examine the complicated relationship between retail theft, law enforcement and the threat of punishment, and what it means for you. Public affairs. 2/21/24 9:00 am (repeats at 8pm) <59:00min>

The California Report Magazine

On Our Watch: The Price of Truth

The story of a young correctional officer at California's most dangerous prison, and the price he paid for telling the truth. The California Report Magazine features an excerpt from KQED's investigative podcast On Our Watch. Public affairs. 3/1/24 4:30 pm (repeats at 6:30 pm) <29:00min>

Reveal

America Goes Psychedelic Again

Psychedelic drugs were outlawed by the federal government more than 50 years ago, and for most of that time the idea of making them legal again was politically unthinkable. But over the past few years, even conservative lawmakers have begun supporting efforts to bring psychedelics back for use under certain conditions. Find out why psychedelics may get a second chance, on Reveal. Public affairs. 3/16/24 4:00 pm <59:00min>

Forum with Alexis Madrigal

Warden Ousted as FBI Raids Federal Women's Prison in Dublin

The warden of the troubled federal women's prison in Dublin was ousted last Monday amid an FBI raid of the facility. Art Dulgov was removed just months into his tenure in the wake of allegations of retaliation against an inmate who spoke out about abuse at the prison. Despite prior leadership changes and promises to fix problems, the prison - which has been known as the "rape club" - has remained plagued by abuse cases, with at least eight employees charged since 2021, when an Associated Press investigation exposed the abuse scandal. We'll talk with one of the Associated Press reporters, and get the latest on the FBI raid, the leadership shakeup and conditions at the prison. Public affairs. 3/18/24 9:00 am (repeats at 8pm) <59:00min>

6. THE ECONOMY, TAXES, GROWTH

Forum with Alexis Madrigal

Historic PG&E Rate Increases Will Hit Hard in 2024

Before you open your next electricity bill, you might want to brace yourself. PG&E is hiking their rates starting this month, and this one is historic. Bills for the average household are expected to jump \$34.50 a month and there could be more rate hikes on the horizon. The increase will fund projects addressing wildfire mitigation, especially an unprecedented attempt to bury power lines in high-risk areas. After the new rate hike, PG&E rates will have doubled over the last 10 years. Is all the new work necessary? Is sticking ratepayers with the bill the only option? We'll talk with energy and utility experts about what this move means for PG&E and for the rest of us. Public affairs. 1/4/24 9:00 am (repeats at 8pm) <59:00min>

Forum with Mina Kim

The American Economy's Perception Gap

By many measures, the US economy is doing well and it appears that the expected recession has been avoided. But these positives do not match the lived experience of many Americans. The term "vibe-cession" was coined to describe this perception gap but what does it actually mean for Americans and how will Biden translate the positives of his economic policies with the negative feelings many voters are expressing in his reelection campaign? Public affairs. 1/9/24 10:00 am (repeats at 9pm) <59:00min>

Marketplace

Disruptions Rock Shipping Industry

The world's two most important trade routes - the Panama Canal and the Suez Canal - have been impacted by disruptions that have rocked the shipping industry. A check in with a few importers, to see how they're managing these disruptions. Public affairs. 1/29/24 4:00 pm (repeats at 6:30pm) <29:00min>

Forum with Mina Kim

What the History of Cable TV Forebodes for Streaming

More and more TV households are cutting the cord and moving to streaming. In 2023 alone, pay-TV providers lost more than 5 million subscribers. But now that streaming companies have a robust subscriber base, rates are rising and commercials are making their way back into programming. Historian Kathryn Cramer Brownell says that when cable companies tried similar tactics in the 1980s, the government stepped in to protect consumers. So why hasn't that happened with streaming? We'll take a look at the history of cable with Brownell to understand how the cable TV model set the foundation for our current media landscape and what consumers can do about it. Public affairs. 2/2/24 10:00 am (repeats at 9pm) <59:00min>

Commonwealth Club

2024 Economic Forecast: Inflation, Election Bonanza, Global Economy

The U.S. economy is strong but widely misperceived to be underperforming. With inflation down, unemployment low, strong job growth and corporate profits, are Americans on the cusp of renewed economic optimism? Join an all-star cast of experts for the Commonwealth Club's annual economic forecast. Public affairs. 2/22/24 10:00 pm (repeats at 1am) <59:00min>

Marketplace

Inflation, High Prices May Overshadow Economy

Currently, economic policies are in line with what people on the left have been wanting, and by many measures, the economy is doing great. But inflation and high prices may overshadow that for voters. What that means for the future of the Democratic Party. Public affairs. 2/27/24 4:00 pm (repeats at 6:30pm) <29:00min>

Forum with Alexis Madrigal

After Closure Announcement, a Look at Macy's Heyday; And Union Square's Future

Macy's announced this week it would be closing its flagship Union Square store, among 150 other underperforming stores across the country. The news is just the latest blow to the city's beleaguered shopping district. We'll talk about the store's iconic history and imagine other futures for downtown and Union Square. And we want to hear from you: What are your Macy's memories? And what would you like to see happen in that building and in Union Square? Public affairs. 3/1/24 9:00 am (repeats at 8pm) <59:00min>

Planet Money

Controversial Idea at Heart of Bidenomics

How industrial policy, the driving idea behind Bidenomics, is actually a lot like a venture capitalist making investments. Public affairs. 3/17/24 3:00 pm <29:00min>

Marketplace

Inflation Waiting Game

Another Federal Reserve meeting gone by, and it's still a waiting game on when interest rates will come down. A look at that, plus the latest economic news. Public affairs. 3/22/24 4:00 pm <29:00min>

7. INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS, IMMIGRATION

Forum with Alexis Madrigal

The Future of U.S. Immigration Policy

If elected to a second term Donald Trump has promised to carry out "the largest domestic deportation operation in American history" in addition to other harsh approaches to immigration. President Joe Biden has been criticized for continuing many Trump era immigration policies, while also facing pressure from both parties to step up enforcement. We talk with Atlantic reporter Caitlin Dickerson, who won a 2023 Pulitzer for her reporting on family separations, about the past and future of US immigration policy. Public affairs. 1/9/24 9:00 am (repeats at 8pm) <59:00min>

Inside Europe

Chilling 'Master Plan' for Deportations

The show responds to the chilling news of a secret meeting at which politicians from Germany's far-right AfD party discussed a "master plan" for the deportation of millions of people, in a conversation with political correspondent Thomas Sparrow and Turkish dissident journalist Can Dündar. Then, the lessons from Turkey continue, with a closer look at President Erdogan's crackdown on civil society. Public affairs. 1/20/24 3:00 am <59:00min>

Forum with Alexis Madrigal

Israel-Gaza Fallout Sparks Fears of Wider Middle East War

The U.S. expanded its bombing campaign of Iran-backed Houthis in Yemen this week, as the group continues to attack ships in the Red Sea. But Yemen is just one of the Middle East flashpoints raising concerns about a wider conflict in the region spreading from the Israel-Gaza war. Fighting between Israel and Hezbollah at the Israel-Lebanon border is also ramping up. Meanwhile, violence has spilled over into Iraq, Iran and Syria. We'll talk with two Middle East experts about the risks of a broader war in the region, the role the U.S is playing in the conflicts and prospects for peace. Public affairs. 1/24/24 9:00 am (repeats at 8pm) <59:00min>

Forum with Mina Kim

Palestinian Journalists on Reporting in a War Zone

Wearing blue vests labeled "Press," journalists in Gaza risk their lives to document and publicize a war that's killed more than 28,000 people. At least 85 journalists are among the dead - 78 of whom were Palestinian. Because Israel and Egypt have denied foreign journalists entry into Gaza, the burden of on-the-ground reporting falls predominantly to Palestinian journalists, who work amid airstrikes, intermittent cell and internet service and an abiding fear for the safety of their loved ones. In December, the Committee to Protect Journalists labeled the post-Oct. 7 conflict deadlier for media workers than any full year of conflict, anywhere, since it began keeping track in 1992. We'll speak with journalists from Gaza about what it means to report, amid trauma and loss, a story they're part of. Public affairs. 2/1/24 10:00 am (repeats at 9pm) <59:00min>

Political Breakdown

New York Times' Hamed Aleaziz on Border Crisis

With migrants attempting to cross the southern border in record numbers, immigration is becoming THE issue in this year's presidential campaign - with President Biden adopting some hardline positions. We dig into the crisis at the border with the New York Times' Hamed Aleaziz. Public affairs. 2/1/24 6:30 pm <29:00min>

Forum with Mina Kim

US to Impose Major New Sanctions on Russia After Death of Alexei Navalny

Global outrage persists after high-profile Russian opposition leader Alexei Navalny died last week in an Arctic penal colony. His death - and the two-year anniversary of Vladimir Putin's war against Ukraine - prompted the Biden administration to impose new sanctions against Russia that will be announced on Friday. We'll talk about the deep rift between the Biden administration and Russia, and the ongoing congressional stalemate over aid for Ukraine and the national security issues it raises. Public affairs. 2/23/24 10:00 am (repeats at 9pm) <59:00min>

Inside Europe

Major Coup for NATO

Sweden and the security issue: Why the transatlantic security community regards the country's NATO accession as a major coup. Enemy agents? Just what are Russian fishing vessels up to in Norwegian ports? And picking up the pieces: Inside Europe meets the Ukrainian psychologists behind refugee-led mental health interventions in Prague. Public affairs. 3/2/24 3:00 am <59:00min>

Commonwealth Club

Simon Shuster: Volodymyr Zelensky and the 'Invasion That Shook the World'

When Russia surprised the world with its invasion of Ukraine, Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelensky created even more surprise. No one expected the former comic actor turned politician to become an inspiring wartime leader in his nation's fight for freedom. Reporter Simon Shuster explains what makes Zelensky an improbable hero. Public affairs. 3/7/24 10:00 pm (repeats at 1am) <59:00min>

Latino USA

Alex Padilla: From California to Capitol Hill

It was an anti-immigrant initiative in California that pushed Alex Padilla into politics. Now, he is making history as the first Latino to represent the state in the U.S. Senate. In this extended conversation, Latino USA looks at why it took so long. Public affairs. 3/17/24 6:00 pm <59:00min>

8. ENVIRONMENT, SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY

Forum with Alexis Madrigal

What's Hidden Inside Planets

"Our experience as humans make it challenging to grasp the conditions that occur inside the planet," writes scientist Dr. Sabine Stanley. "There's just nothing like it in our everyday experience." Stanley has dedicated her career to uncovering the mysterious inner workings of Earth and other planets in our solar system. Below a planet's surface can be a swirling world of wonder from magnetism, rotation, and volcanos. Stanley explores what makes planets tick in her new book What's Hidden Inside Planets. Public affairs. 1/2/24 9:00 am (repeats at 8pm) <59:00min>

Forum with GUEST HOST Grace Won

Manjula Martin's 'The Last Fire Season' Reflects on Living with Wildfire

When Manjula Martin fled her West Sonoma home in the summer of 2020 with wildfire raging around her, she realized her go bag was packed for an apocalypse, not a sleepover. She had flashlights, but no toothbrush. Books, but no shampoo. In her debut memoir "The Last Fire Season," Martin reflects on how Californians are simultaneously preparing for the end of the world, while also going about their day-to-day lives. "I had little capacity to navigate the everyday experience of living inside a slow decline," she writes. We talk to Martin about living life in the Pyrocene, the age of fire. Public affairs. 1/3/24 10:00 am (repeats at 9pm) <59:00min>

Reveal

Rural Areas Resisting Solar

Across the country, rural communities are pushing back against large-scale solar development. The Department of Energy projects that the U.S. will need more than 10 million acres of solar development to meet its clean energy goals by 2050. Most of that is expected to take place in rural areas. Despite widespread support for renewable energy, there's growing resistance to large projects in rural communities. On the next Reveal, the story of how a solar project in one rural town in New York brought the community together and then apart. Public affairs. 1/6/24 4:00 pm <59:00min>

The California Report Magazine

Electric Avenue: One Oakland Block's Improbable Journey to Ditch Gas

Roughly a quarter of California's carbon emissions come from our buildings and the energy that powers them. And we need to cut those emissions down to next to nothing to avoid the scary effects of climate change. Making a home green is pretty easy if you start from scratch. But it gets a whole lot harder when it comes to converting the millions of homes in California that already exist. The ones where most of us live. Climate reporter Laura Klivans takes us to East Oakland, where one city block is taking a revolutionary approach to reducing their emissions: by electrifying together, all at once. This story comes to us from KQED's podcast Sold Out: Rethinking Housing in America. Public affairs. 2/2/24 4:30 pm (repeats at 6:30 pm) <29:00min>

Forum with GUEST HOST Scott Shafer

The 'Extremely Hardcore' Story of Elon Musk's Twitter Takeover

When Elon Musk bought Twitter in 2022, he envisioned remaking the company into what he thought should be a "free speech platform." What ensued was chaos, mass firings and a steep decline in advertising revenue for the already financially struggling company. In her new book "Extremely Hardcore," Zoe Schiffer tracks Musk's takeover of the platform, now known as X, and its effects on those who worked for him. We talk to her about the history and future of Elon Musk's Twitter and hear about your recent experiences on the platform. Public affairs. 2/16/24 10:00 am (repeats at 9pm) <59:00min>

The California Report Magazine

Sold Out: How the Bay Area's Biggest City Wants to Overcome Sprawl

We head to San Jose, a sprawling city built for cars, where local leaders are trying to rethink how residents live - and how they get around. Can the Bay Area's largest city trade sprawl for dense, walkable neighborhoods? Public affairs. 2/16/24 4:30 pm (repeats at 6:30 pm) <29:00min>

Planet Money

Green Energy Gridlock

The future of clean energy is hanging - on our power lines. This week on Planet Money, why thousands of clean energy projects have been blocked by the grid. Public affairs. 3/3/24 3:00 pm <29:00min>

Forum with GUEST HOST Lesley McClurg

Can Science Explain a Broken Heart?

More than a year after a very bad breakup, Los Angeles Times journalist Todd Martens struggled to understand why he was still so stuck on his ex. He doodled her name whenever he held pen and paper; he couldn't sleep and couldn't stop stewing. So, he turned to science to understand why his mind and body continued to hurt so much and shared what he learned in his recent article "Science can explain a broken heart. Could science help heal mine?" We'll talk to Martens and turn to experts in neuroscience and psychology for strategies to heal broken hearts. And we'll hear from you: what's helped you get through a bad breakup? Public affairs. 3/4/24 10:00 am (repeats at 9pm) <59:00min>

On Shifting Ground with Ray Suarez

Kara Swisher: Where the Tech Love Story Went Wrong

To leaders in Silicon Valley, artificial intelligence is just the latest innovation in a never-ending quest to "make our lives better." But can we trust them with our data - and our lives - if they can't be held accountable? Journalist Kara Swisher joins host Ray Suarez to discuss her newest book, "Burn Book," and the psyche of Silicon Valley's biggest players. Then, from Foreign Policy's "Hidden Economics of Remarkable Women," the story of how reality TV helped keep leaders accountable in Kenya. Public affairs. 3/4/24 10:00 pm (repeats at 1am) <59:00min>

9. HEALTH & HEALTHCARE

Forum with Guest Host: Lesley McClurg

How "The Year of Ozempic" Transformed Obesity Treatment...And Much More

In a recent piece for the New Yorker called "The Year of Ozempic," journalist and physician Dhruv Khullar writes that "we may look back on new weight-loss drugs as some of the greatest advances in the annals of chronic disease." But the drugs don't work for everyone, and there are ongoing questions about side effects, costs and availability. We'll talk with Khullar about his piece and check in with UCSF weight loss doctor Diana Thiara about what we've learned about drugs like Ozempic and Wegovy over the past year. Public affairs. 1/4/24 10:00 am (repeats at 9pm) <59:00min>

Tech Nation

Biotech Projects Post-COVID

After pivoting to create COVID vaccines, treatments and tests, the Biotech industry is back working on what it does best. Host Dr. Moira Gunn speaks with three innovators in three different fields - addressing AML, new work on serious wound healing like severe diabetic ulcers, and the next generation of immunotherapy treatments. Public affairs. 1/5/24 10:00 pm <59:00min>

How I Built This

Preventative Health Care

A look at full body preventive health care with Andrew Lacy of the health care startup Penuvo. Public affairs. 1/14/24 3:30 pm <29:00min>

Fresh Air

Blindspot Host on Early Years of AIDS Epidemic

Tonya Mosley talks to Kai Wright, host of the podcast Blindspot, about the early years of the AIDS epidemic, when so little was known about HIV, and so much was misunderstood. Throughout his journalism career, Wright has covered HIV and AIDS, and its impact on his communities as a gay man and as a Black gay man. Public affairs. 2/1/24 7:00 pm <59:00min>

Science Friday (hour one)

Changing Approach to Cancer Research

Why are some cancers striking younger people? Scientists believe there are gaps in our understanding of how chemicals all around us can awaken cancer cells lying dormant in our bodies. A cancer researcher explains how the field is changing its approach to finding carcinogens, starting with air pollution. Public affairs. 2/2/24 11:00 am <59:00min>

Forum with Mina Kim

California's Proposition 1 Would Overhaul Community Mental Health Services

There's only one proposition on California's March 2024 ballot, but it deals with some of the state's biggest challenges: homelessness, substance abuse and mental health. Proposition 1, backed by Gov. Gavin Newsom, is a two-part measure: It asks voters to approve nearly \$6.4 billion to increase mental health and substance abuse services and build supportive housing. It also makes big changes to how existing funds are spent under the 2004 Mental Health Services Act, which imposed a 1% tax on personal incomes above \$1 million. But critics say Prop. 1 would actually hurt the mentally ill by forcing people into treatment and diverting funding for local services. We'll break down the measure, and take your questions. Public affairs. 2/8/24 10:00 am (repeats at 9pm) <59:00min>

Science Friday (hour one)

Florida Vaccine Rates Down, Measles Cases Up

In Florida, vaccine rates are going down, and measles cases are going up. Two pediatricians unpack what's behind this outbreak and the threat to public health. Public affairs. 3/1/24 11:00 am <59:00min>

TED Radio Hour

Memory and the Brain

Our brains are magnificently complex - and highly fallible. This hour, neuroscientist and novelist Lisa Genova explains how to keep our brains healthy and what to do when something goes wrong. Public affairs. 3/2/24 10:00 pm (repeats at 4pm) <59:00min>

Forum with Alexis Madrigal

'Tough Broad' Caroline Paul on Importance of Outdoor Adventures While We Age

Caroline Paul is 60 years old and she rides a one-wheel, paddle boards wherever she pleases and, as the endurance swimmer Diana Nyad put it, is "the toughest broad I know." But in her new book "Tough Broad," Paul sets out to show that all kinds of outdoor adventure from BASE jumping to bird watching can enrich the lives of women as they get older in a society that tells them to simply fade to irrelevance. We'll be talking awe and novelty, accepting loss and challenging norms. As she writes, "This is not a book about adrenaline, it is a book about exhilaration. It is not about bravado, it is about bravery." Public affairs. 3/5/24 9:00 am <59:00min>

10. WOMEN, LGBTQ & RACE ISSUES, COMMUNITIES OF COLOR

Political Breakdown

Toni Atkins

California State Senate President Toni Atkins is one of the only people to lead both the State Senate and Assembly - and she did it as an openly LGBT woman. Now, she's preparing to pass the gavel to someone else. Public affairs. 1/11/24 6:30 pm <29:00min>

Fresh Air

Movement to Dismantle DEI

Washington Post reporter Julian Mark about the resignation of Claudine Gay, Harvard's first Black president, and how her departure has revealed a greater movement to dismantle diversity, equity and inclusion practices in every sector from academia to corporate America. Public affairs. 1/11/24 7:00 pm <59:00min>

Our Body Politic

Black Americans in Country Music

Guest host Mara S. Campo looks at the foundational role of Black Americans in country music, and the barriers to entry that still exist. First, Mara's conversation with professor Francesca Royster, author of "Black Country Music: Listening for Revolutions." Then Mara talks with country music singer Brittney Spencer who was one of Rolling Stone's 25 artists to watch in 2023. The show rounds out with Grammy-nominated Mickey Guyton, who speaks with Mara about paving the way for other Black women in country music. Public affairs. 1/14/24 1:00 am (repeats at 8pm) <59:00min>

Forum with Alexis Madrigal

All You Can Eat: Ringing in the Lunar New Year With Asian American Desserts

In many Asian families, the highest compliment you can offer a dessert is, "it's not too sweet!" Bringing in flavor profiles from Asian cultures like pandan leaves, black sesame and ube, bakers around the Bay Area are reimagining Asian American dessert offerings. There's choux pastry covered in almond crunch and filled with durian cream or a thumbprint cookie with an umeboshi plum center. On the next edition of All You Can Eat with KQED food editor Luke Tsai, we'll talk to bakers and cookbook authors about Asian American desserts and the role they play in Lunar New Year celebrations. Public affairs. 2/7/24 9:00 am (repeats at 8pm) <59:00min>

Fresh Air

Joy Ann Reid on Medgar, Myrlie Evers

MSNBC host Joy Ann Reid talks about Medgar and Myrlie Evers. Medgar was a civil rights leader from Mississippi who was assassinated in 1963, because of his work fighting for voting rights, desegregation and freedom. Myrlie became a civil rights activist after becoming a widow. Public affairs. 2/7/24 7:00 pm <59:00min>

Forum with Mina Kim

Investigation: California's Claremont Institute Leads Anti-DEI Movement

Last year, more than 20 states considered or approved legislation to limit or ban diversity, equity and inclusion programs in higher education. These efforts, supported by a network of activists, political groups and Republican operatives, are centered at the Claremont Institute, a conservative California-based think tank with ties to the Trump movement. New York Times investigative reporter Nicholas Confessore gained access to thousands of documents and emails shedding light on the national anti-DEI campaign orchestrated by the Claremont Institute's leaders. We'll hear what he learned. Public affairs. 2/9/24 10:00 am (repeats at 9pm) <59:00min>

It's Been a Minute

Culture Debates on Harlem Renaissance

The Harlem Renaissance was a vibrant period of Black self-expression. And a new exhibit at the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York explores how this 100-year-old movement set up cultural debates we're still having today. Like what is Black art for? Where we see the Harlem Renaissance in our culture, on It's Been a Minute. Public affairs. 3/9/24 10:00 am (repeats at 1am) <59:00min>

Forum with Alexis Madrigal

Night of Ideas: How Our Racial, Ethnic Identities Connect - and Divide - Us

Earlier this month we brought some of our favorite Forum guests - a poet, a novelist, a sociologist and a musician - who all work with themes of cross-cultural identity for a conversation, and live music and readings, before an audience. We discussed the complexities of racial and ethnic identity and how the hyphens we sometimes use to bridge our identities - Mexican-American, Chinese-American, etc. - can serve to both connect and divide us. It was all part of Night of Ideas, an annual public event bringing together artists and thinkers at the San Francisco Public Library. Public affairs. 3/15/24 9:00 am (repeats at 8pm) <59:00min>

The California Report Magazine

'The Poet and the Silk Girl': A Japanese American Story of Love, Imprisonment and Protest

Nine months into Satsuki Ina's parents' marriage, Pearl Harbor was bombed. Their life was totally upended when, along with 125,000 other Japanese Americans, they were sent to incarceration camps. After unsuccessfully fighting for their civil rights to be restored, they renounced their American citizenship. That meant the U.S. government branded them as "enemy aliens." Ina was born in a prison camp at Tule Lake, but didn't know much about that difficult chapter in her parents' life. Then she discovered a trove of letters that they sent to each other while they were separated in different camps. Now, at close to 80 years old, Ina - who spent most of her career as a trauma therapist - is publishing a memoir about how her parents' relationship survived prison camps, resistance and separation. Using letters, diary entries, haikus written by her father and photographs, "The Poet and the Silk Girl" is a rare first-person account of a generation-altering period in Japanese American history. Sasha Khokha sat down with Satsuki Ina to learn more about her parents' story and how it shaped the course of Ina's own life. Public affairs. 3/15/24 4:30 pm (repeats at 6:30 pm) <29:00min>