

Programs & Issues for the first quarter of 2023 January, February, March

It has been determined that the following subjects are of concern to the community and have been considered and addressed substantially by elected officials, community leaders, expert witnesses and the general public.

1. Environment and energy
2. Housing and affordable housing
3. Public health and safety
4. Emergency preparedness
5. Economy and recovery

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Environment

Rain today could bring flooding and mudslides in places where the ground is already soaked from a similar storm earlier this week. In LA, rain is expected to continue into tomorrow. Despite the recent storms, the Golden State is still in a drought.

Press Play with Madeleine Brand -- Aired Wednesday, Jan. 4, 2023 (06:00)

Public health and safety

The FDA is now allowing people to get the drug that induces abortion, from big chain pharmacies like CVS and Walgreens, by prescription. If you're in a state that bans the health procedure, the DOJ says USPS can deliver abortion drugs to patients there.

Press Play with Madeleine Brand -- Aired Wednesday, Jan. 4, 2023 (10:00)

Environment

Another band of intense storms is rolling across California, bringing high winds, lots of rain, and flooding. We have an active drought emergency that is now coincidental with an active flood emergency," says Karla Nemeth of the California Department of Water Resources.

Press Play with Madeleine Brand -- Aired Thursday, Jan. 5, 2023 (08:00)

Economy, environment

California is projected to see a \$22 billion budget deficit this year. To offset the likely losses,

Governor Gavin Newsom is proposing big cuts to the state's climate and transportation budget. Climate researchers predict the damage across the state could exceed \$1 billion.
Press Play with Madeleine Brand -- Aired Wednesday, Jan. 11, 2023 (08:00)

Economy, public health and safety

If you've been grocery shopping recently, you're paying a lot more for eggs. Some stores are sold out, while others are restricting the number of cartons shoppers can buy. Egg prices are up because of a severe outbreak of avian flu that's infected tens of millions of birds.
Press Play with Madeleine Brand -- Aired Wednesday, Jan. 18, 2023 (08:00)

Economy, public health and safety

Companies with more than 15 employees must include salary ranges in their job postings and make that information available to existing employees under a new California law. But some big-name companies appear to have found a loophole.
Press Play with Madeleine Brand -- Aired Thursday, Jan. 19, 2023 (08:00)

Economy, public health and safety

As job seekers try to navigate opportunities, they also have to contend with scammers posing as recruiters and hiring managers, holding interviews, making offers, and onboarding people for jobs that don't actually exist.
Press Play with Madeleine Brand -- Aired Thursday, Jan. 19, 2023 (08:00)

Economy

A recent lawsuit claims that the Getty family has avoided paying as much as \$300 million in California taxes. To date, the family's total worth is unclear, but his son Gordon Getty is estimated to have about \$2.1 billion.
Press Play with Madeleine Brand -- Aired Tuesday, Jan. 24, 2023 (14:00)

Public health and safety, economy

California, seven other states and The U.S. Justice Department are suing Google over its digital advertising business. The tech giant is facing three other lawsuits from groups of state AGs and announced last week that it's laying off 12,000 employees.
Press Play with Madeleine Brand -- Aired Wednesday, Jan. 25, 2023 (11:00)

Public health and safety, environment

California is still recovering from heavy storms with damage estimated at \$1 billion. The storms also destroyed hundreds, if not thousands, of cars. Many of them could end up for sale again, and sometimes the damage is not obvious.
Press Play with Madeleine Brand -- Aired Wednesday, Jan. 25, 2023 (09:00)

Public health and safety

Lisa Marie Presley died on January 12 after suffering cardiac arrest. Her sudden death at just 54 has more women thinking about heart health. According to the CDC, heart disease is now the leading cause of death for women in the United States.

Press Play with Madeleine Brand -- Aired Thursday, Jan. 26, 2023 (13:00)

Public health and safety

Governor Newsom unveiled a new concealed carry bill this week which would ban guns in public places including schools, hospitals, churches, and public transportation. If the state passes the bill, it would likely set up another court battle.

Press Play with Madeleine Brand -- Aired Thursday, Feb. 2, 2023 (08:00)

Environment, economy

California says it's committed to cutting 9% of its water use from the drought-stricken Colorado River. For months, the seven states that rely on the river have been debating how to reduce their water use — because the river is nearing critically-low levels.

Press Play with Madeleine Brand -- Aired Thursday, Feb. 2, 2023 (07:00)

Public health and safety, disaster preparedness

Rescuers in Turkey and Syria continue to search for people trapped in the rubble after Monday's series of devastating earthquakes. More than 6000 are dead and that toll is likely to continue climbing. California is sending specially-trained firefighters, canine search-and-rescue teams, and structural engineers to help.

Press Play with Madeleine Brand -- Aired Tuesday, Feb. 7, 2023 (08:00)

Public health and safety, environment

Mount Baldy in the San Gabriel Mountains is the highest point in Los Angeles County — it exceeds 10,000 feet. Since December, more than a dozen people have been rescued from the mountain. Two have died and two more remain missing from the popular trails there.

Press Play with Madeleine Brand -- Aired Tuesday, Feb. 7, 2023 (08:00)

Public health and safety

Nearly 20 percent of Americans ages 2-19 are considered obese so the American Academy of Pediatrics recommends earlier and more aggressive interventions for kids who are severely overweight. But the updates have prompted serious debate about its intensity.

Press Play with Madeleine Brand -- Aired Wednesday, Feb. 8, 2023 (09:00)

Public health and safety

Chef Noah Galuten and his wife, comedian Iliza Shlesinger, used their unique talents to help people with a web series called “Don’t Panic Pantry” focused on showing people how to make simple and healthy meals at home using mostly pantry staples.

Press Play with Madeleine Brand -- Aired Thursday, Feb. 9, 2023 (15:00)

Environment, economy

Governor Gavin Newsom has signed an executive order that would hold back water that flows from the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta to the San Francisco Bay. The decision has angered environmentalists, who say Newsom’s order could do irreparable damage to California’s delicate ecosystems.

Press Play with Madeleine Brand -- Aired Wednesday, Feb. 15, 2023 (07:00)

Public health and safety

Two California lawmakers introduced a bill to ban the use of police dogs to arrest or apprehend suspects or as a form of crowd control. DOJ says in 2021, police dogs caused more serious injuries/deaths than either tasers or batons, more often to people who are Black or Latino.

Press Play with Madeleine Brand -- Aired Monday, Feb. 27, 2023 (14:00)

Public health and safety

In California, road rage is the worst it’s been in a decade and has become more violent. In 2019, the number of incidents involving a gun was about 100. In 2022, there were more than twice as many. The news outlet Crosstown arrived at those stats after local number crunching.

Press Play with Madeleine Brand -- Aired Wednesday, Mar. 1, 2023 (08:00)

Public health and safety

Eli Lilly and Company announced on Wednesday that it would cut the price of insulin and expand a program that caps out-of-pocket costs for insulin. It’s a victory for President Biden, who highlighted the soaring cost of the hormone in his State of the Union speech last month.

Press Play with Madeleine Brand -- Aired Thursday, Mar. 2, 2023 (08:00)

Environment, public health and safety, emergency preparedness

Another atmospheric river storm system will drench California Thursday night in what feels like a never-ending series of storms. And while it’s brought record snowfall, a warmer and wetter storm brings the potential for dangerous flooding across the state.

Press Play with Madeleine Brand -- Aired Tuesday, Mar. 7, 2023 (07:00)

Public health and safety, economy

Governor Newsom has announced California will not renew a \$54 million contract with Walgreens. The decision comes after the drugstore chain announced this week that it would not

dispense the abortion drug mifepristone in at least 20 states.

Press Play with Madeleine Brand -- Aired Tuesday, Mar. 7, 2023 (07:00)

Public health and safety

For those trying to lose weight, dieting and exercise sometimes work, but it usually sneaks back. Some wealthy and well-connected people searching for a quick fix have turned to semaglutides, drugs used to treat type 2 diabetes, such as Ozempic.

Press Play with Madeleine Brand -- Aired Tuesday, Mar. 7, 2023 (14:00)

Economy

A California state appeals court has upheld Proposition 22, the ballot measure approved by voters two years ago which exempted companies like Uber, Lyft, and Postmates from a state law that would have required them to classify their gig workers as employees.

Press Play with Madeleine Brand -- Aired Tuesday, Mar. 14, 2023 (08:00)

Public health and safety, economy

The U.S. Justice Department has reportedly opened an investigation into Silicon Valley Bank after it collapsed last week. Its failure is the latest in a series of problems for the broader tech industry, including the laying off of more than 100,000 workers in recent months.

Press Play with Madeleine Brand -- Aired Tuesday, Mar. 14, 2023 (09:00)

Public health and safety

Lawmakers have already introduced more than 400 bills targeting LGBTQ rights this year, according to the ACLU. That includes bans on public expressions of gender identity, and hormonal and surgical treatments even for some adult patients.

Press Play with Madeleine Brand -- Aired Tuesday, Mar. 14, 2023 (15:00)

Environment, public health and safety

The planet is approaching catastrophic levels of global warming and irreversible damage within the next decade, according to the most definitive report released by the United. To avoid calamity, the U.N. says, the world needs to collectively cut emissions in half by 2030.

Press Play with Madeleine Brand -- Aired Monday, Mar. 20, 2023 (10:00)

Economy

The Federal Reserve raised interest rates, while juggling dueling issues of banking turmoil and ongoing inflation. What does this say about the health of the U.S. economy? Columnist Linette Lopez at Business Insider focuses on politics, economics, and international markets.

Press Play with Madeleine Brand -- Aired Wednesday, Mar. 22, 2023 (15:00)

Economy and environment

Tax season is underway, and California residents are getting an extension due to all the recent winter storms — meaning the deadline for most to file is October 16. Michelle Singletary, Washington Post personal finance columnist shares her tax tips.

Press Play with Madeleine Brand -- Aired Wednesday, Mar. 22, 2023 (09:00)