KCRW-FM Santa Monica

Programs & Issues for the second quarter of 2023 April, May, June

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. Housing and affordable housing
- 2. Public health and safety
- 3. Environment and energy
- 4. Labor and economy
- 5. Police, fire and emergency preparedness

The following programs were produced and broadcast in the public interest:

KCRW PROGRAMS/ISSUES LIST - 2nd QUARTER 2023 APRIL-MAY-JUNE

ISSUE DESCRIPTION OF PROGRAM DATE

Environment

After months of heavy storms, California's mountains now have some of the largest snow packs on record, which is raising concern over how fast the snow could melt and the flooding that comes with it. The snowpack currently sits at 237 percent of average.

Press Play with Madeleine Brand – Aired Wednesday, April 5, 2023 (07:00)

Public health and safety

President Biden on Monday signed legislation terminating the Covid-19 national emergency, as the White House is launching "Project Next Gen," which involves \$5 billion to speed up development of the next generation of Covid vaccines and therapies.

Press Play with Madeleine Brand – Aired Tuesday, April 11, 2023 (07:00)

Environment

With states unable to agree on a plan to address Colorado River water usage, the federal government has laid out plans to save the water way. Guest: An associate professor of political science at the University of Nevada, Reno is the segment guest.

Press Play with Madeleine Brand – Aired Wednesday, April 12, 2023 (09:00)

Environment

At least a dozen winter storms have brought 60 feet of snow to parts of Mammoth Lakes in the Sierra Nevada Mountains. Now that it's spring, snow is starting to melt, and disaster is on the horizon: flooding. KCRW talks to Mammoth Lakes Mayor John Wentworth about the situation Press Play with Madeleine Brand – Aired Wednesday, April 12, 2023 (07:00)

Public health and safety, police

Cash App founder Bob Lee's fatal stabbing death in San Francisco this month was national news as once again the city was accused of failing to get a handle on violent crime. Lee's killing has reignited debates about violent crime in San Francisco.

Press Play with Madeleine Brand – Aired Monday, April 17, 2023 (09:00)

Public health and safety

For decades, studies have suggested moderate drinking might have some health benefits, like red wine boosting heart health. Now, new analysis debunks those myths, according to a scientist at the Canadian Institute for Substance Use.

Research Press Play with Madeleine Brand – Aired Wednesday, April 19, 2023 (07:00)

Housing and affordable housing

A former resident of a neighborhood which was bulldozed and burned by Palm Springs officials says the city's dispute over its role in Section 14 is 'asinine.' The segment includes an interview with a former Section 14 resident and an activist.

Press Play with Madeleine Brand – Aired Tuesday, May 2, 2023 (13:00)

Public health and safety

The U.S. surgeon general has declared a new epidemic in the United States: loneliness. Loneliness increases the risk of premature death. KCRW talks to a neuroscience professor at Stony Brook University and a woman who's written about why not listening increases loneliness. Press Play with Madeleine Brand – Aired Wednesday, May 3, 2023 (15:00)

Public health and safety

More than three years after the US declared a public health emergency to battle the novel Coronavirus, KCRW looks at how Covid-19 has changed our lives, with guests including the director of Clinical Microbiology at UCLA Health.

Press Play with Madeleine Brand – Aired Thursday, May 11, 2023 (14:00)

Housing and affordable housing

The California Constitution would be amended to guarantee housing as a fundamental right if a new bill passes in the State Assembly. The segment includes an interview with former Stockton Mayor Michael Tubbs, who supports the legislation.

Press Play with Madeleine Brand – Aired Wednesday, May17, 2023 (15:00)

Public health and safety, education

Hundreds had gathered to protest and support the Glendale Unified School district's decision to make June LGBTQ+ Pride month when fighting erupted and three were arrested. An LA Times breaking news reporter is interviewed in the segment.

Press Play with Madeleine Brand – Aired Wednesday, June 7, 2023 (08:00)

Education, police and public safety

In California, an estimated 1 in 5 community college applications are scams, amounting to hundreds of thousands of "ghost students." These fraudulent applications use the stolen identities of real people — all with the goal of pilfering financial aid.

Press Play with Madeleine Brand – Wednesday, June 7, 2023 (09:00)

Economy and labor

The Labor Department reports that price pressures are easing. But Americans are still paying more for necessities, leaving some to wonder if the Fed can stave off another interest rate hike. The segment includes an interview with a senior correspondent at Business Insider.

Press Play with Madeleine Brand – Aired Tuesday, June 13, 2023 (07:00)

Environment and disaster preparedness

When it comes to earthquakes, where is "the big one" southern Californians have been told is coming, and why hasn't it hit yet? New research points to a possible answer that has to do with the Salton Sea, according to a, expert in geophysics at Scripps Institution of Oceanography. Press Play with Madeleine Brand – Aired Wednesday, June 14, 2023 (09:00)

Environment, disaster preparedness

Gray and dreary weather continues to dampen the mood of usually sunny California and El Nino has returned, as fires in Canada are still burning out of control. Alex Tardy, a warning coordination meteorologist with the National Weather Service in San Diego weighs in.

Press Play with Madeleine Brand – Aired Thursday, June 15, 2023 (07:00)

Public health and safety

Texas Governor Greg Abbott last week bused more than 40 migrants Los Angeles. Mayor Karen Bass called the move a political stunt. KCRW learns about the conditions they faced on the long trip in an interview with a Los Angeles Times metro reporter.

Press Play with Madeleine Brand – Aired Tuesday, June 20, 2023 (09:00)

Environment and energy

Electric bills could soon depend not only on how much energy you use, but also how much money you make, according to a requirement of the three major private utility companies to submit a billing structure plan based on household income to the California PUC.

Press Play with Madeleine Brand – Aired Wednesday, June 21, 2023 (07:00)