

**TELEMUNDO OF PUERTO RICO, INC.**  
**TOPICS AND PROGRAMS REPORT**  
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I. **TOPICS.** The following topics are included in this report, which shows coverage for the quarter that extends from January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019 to March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2019.

- Government
- War
- Education
- Health Care/Medicine
- Environment and Science
- Economy/Consumer Interest
- Religion and Social Issues

These topics are addressed at the three daily editions of TELENOTICIAS at 11:00 a.m., 5:00 p.m. and 10:00 p.m. and TELENOTICIAS FIN DE SEMANA at 5:00 p.m. and 10:00 p.m.

II. **SPECIAL PROGRAMS.** Telemundo air special programs and takes part in social and cultural activities for public benefit.

**GOVERNMENT**

**JANUARY**

- 1/7 The 17 days of the partial closure of the government ordered by Trump affect two of the main tourist attractions in the country, which will not open to the public.
- 1/9 For the first time, workers from public security agencies demanded that the governor dismiss Secretary Héctor Pesquera for his failure to recognize the security crisis that reigns on the island.
- 1/10 Today is the 20th day of the partial closure of the federal government and about 4,500 workers in PR have been directly impacted by the dam.

- 1/11 Resident Commissioner Jennifer González called for equality in the allocation of federal agents for PR at a time when the security crisis is worsening with murders in broad daylight.
- 1/16 The first of two days of hearing before Federal Judge Laura Taylor Swain about the agreement between the government and COFINA continues in the middle of the discussion about the so-called adjustment plan that generated opposition inside and outside the courtroom.
- 1/16 Hundreds of Puerto Ricans demonstrated outside the Court against the agreement with the creditors of COFINA for the harmful effects it would have on the working class and pensioners.
- 1/17 Judge Laura Taylor Swayne heard objections from entities and citizens who oppose the debt adjustment plan issued by COFINA that is paid with the income from the IVU.
- 1/17 The Citizens Commission for the Comprehensive Audit of Public Credit issued a report entitled "COFINA, Illegal and Illegitimate Debt", in which they challenge the constitutionality of COFINA and the legitimacy of the use of that debt.
- 1/22 The Fiscal Oversight Board recommends adjusting the operations of the State Elections Commission to make it more efficient.
- 1/28 Governor Ricardo Rosselló confirmed that the differences with the Secretary of the Interior, Raúl Maldonado, led to the resignation of the Secretary of the Treasury, Teresita Fuentes.
- 1/30 The Presiding Judge of the Federal Court, Gustavo Gelpí, did not rule out the cut of working hours or salaries to hundreds of employees if the closure of the government is repeated as of next month.

## **FEBRUARY**

- 2/1 The company OPG Technology accepted that a millionaire fraud was committed in the sale of stamps and vouchers of the Department of the Treasury.

- 2/2 The main legal advisor of La Fortaleza, Alfonso Orona, resigns after being involved in a traffic accident.
- 2/5 Governor Ricardo Rosselló assured that the COFINA agreement will allow savings in the payment of the debt.
- 2/7 The Mayor of San Lorenzo, José Román Abreu, became the new President of the Mayors Association.
- 2/20 The controversy over the use of a boat of the Maritime Transport Authority to carry vehicles and cargo to a private wedding in Vieques cost the Director of the Agency the job.
- 2/26 The Mayor of San Juan Carmen Yulín Cruz believes that she can co-chair the Campaign Committee of Senator Bernie Sanders, without affecting her work in the Municipality.

## **MARCH**

- 3/1 The UTIER has requested the Governor and the presidents of the legislative bodies to join the recourse of Reconsideration filed before the Court of Appeals of the First Circuit of Boston against the Fiscal Control Board.
- 3/2 Celebrating 102 years of American citizenship and referring to the achievements of his administration, Ricardo Rosselló announced his aspiration to reelection for 2020 by the PNP.
- 3/3 Telenoticias premiered its analysis panel "From Face to Vote 2020", which will discuss the most relevant issues in the political scene with the Ex-Governor Alejandro García Padilla and former Secretary of Public Affairs of the Fortress, Ramón Rosario.
- 3/4 Gasoline and some foods are scarce in the Island Municipality of Culebra, which could run out of supplies and even in the dark due to the lack of cargo transportation.

- 3/4 Governor Ricardo Rosselló activated the National Guard through Executive Order to mobilize the load of basic services and food for Vieques and Culebra.
- 3/6 The lack of supplies in the Municipalities of Vieques and Culebra was solved temporarily after the activation of vessels of the National Guard that transport the supplies.
- 3/6 The activation of the National Guard to move cargo to Vieques and Culebra costs the PR people thousands of dollars a day.
- 3/12 Thirty (30) Democratic congressmen on the Island was the perfect scenario for political rivals to agree on their opposition to the Fiscal Control Board.
- 3/12 The congressmen met with union leaders where they discussed the austerity measures imposed by the Fiscal Control Board under the Promise Law and the repercussions it has had on workers.
- 3/13 Governor Ricardo Rosselló announced seven new appointments for his team.
- 3/13 After the federal government closure for 23 days, about five thousand workers of the 14,500 federal employees in PR, have not been able to collect their salaries for three weeks.
- 3/14 The President of the Senate Thomas Rivera Schatz came out in defense of the Municipalities, saying that it does not favor eliminating them or diluting them in counties as the Governor proposes.
- 3/15 In the midst of protests, the Natural Resources Committee of the Federal Chamber meets on the Island.
- 3/19 Several organizations protest in an activity called "Bomb against the Board", which arrived in the vicinity of the headquarters of the JSF to show their rejection of the decisions of the federal entity.
- 3/22 The Mayor of San Juan, Carmen Yulín Cruz, formalizes her candidacy for governance by the PPD in 2020.

- 3/22 With the announcement of Carmen Yulín Cruz, it increases to six the list of candidates for the candidacy for the governorship by the PPD.
- 3/23 React Juan Zaragoza and Charlie Delgado to the announcement made by Carmen Yulín Cruz about aspiring to the government by the PPD.
- 3/26 Governor Ricardo Rosselló reiterated his opposition to the measure that restricts abortion and other measures, which, according to him, do not comply with the public policy of his government.
- 3/26 The Department of Housing investigates allegations that President Donald Trump requested to stop emergency assistance to Puerto Rico.
- 3/29 Ricardo Rosselló insisted on meeting with President Donald Trump to clarify the supposedly erroneous information about the recovery of the Island after the passage of Hurricane Maria.
- 3/30 The Federal Treasury Department entrusted the PR Government with a kind of receivership to the CRIM to achieve a reform of the property tax system.
- 3/30 Tomorrow will culminate the support that the National Guard has been offering to bring supplies to the Islands Municipality of Vieques and Culebra, after which at the beginning of the month food was scarce due to lack of boats.

## **WAR**

- 1/1 Nearly fifty soldiers from the US Army Reserve in PR were mobilized to the main NATO base in Afghanistan where they will serve a 9-month mission.

## **EDUCATION**

### **JANUARY**

- 1/2 The Department of the Treasury informed that Friday and Saturday will be the period of sales without IVU in purchases of uniforms and school supplies for the return to school.
- 1/8 An Oral Exam Certificate duly signed by a dentist licensed in PR, will be a requirement for students of public and private schools of the Island.
- 1/17 Parents of young people with special needs asked the Governor to veto House Bill 1484 that would create a new Special Education Law.

### **FEBRUARY**

- 2/11 The University Ana G. Méndez reinforced its security measures after activating its protocols when a writing in a social network was interpreted as a threat to the institution and its university community.
- 2/16 The Department of Education confirmed that there was a broad participation of parents on the designated day for the collection of school grades and that more than 20,000 registration records were obtained.
- 2/18 The possibility that the Rafael Colón Salgado School becomes a charter keeps the parents of more than 200 special education students concerned.
- 2/19 43 schools in the Mayaguez Region will prepare for the rationing of water up to 24 hours starting this Friday.

### **MARCH**

- 3/9 The Department of Education held the first forum to clarify doubts about the educational voucher program that will begin the 2019-2020 school year, as part of the Educational Reform established in Law 85 approved last year.

- 3/21 The Broad Front in Defense of Public Education protests in front of the school Miguel Such, firm in its offensive against charter schools.
- 3/24 The Secretary of Education, Julia Keleher, announced a restructuring proposal that will impact the Agency's entire workforce and improve student services.
- 3/25 Three of the teachers' organizations of the public sector repudiated the proposal of the Secretary of Education, Julia Keleher, to increase the salary for teachers in exchange for one more day of work.
- 3/31 Teachers of the public system will march to La Fortaleza in rejection of the privatization of schools and to demand the permanence of temporary teachers.

## **HEALTH CARE/MEDICINE**

### **JANUARY**

- 1/1 The World Health Organization suggests that sugar consumption in children does not exceed 10% daily in a diet of 1,750 calories, to avoid risks of problems in teeth, obesity, early diabetes or high cholesterol.
- 1/4 The director of a hospital in the metropolitan area said that cases of influenza are at worrying levels, while the Department of Health admitted that there was an alert level.
- 1/5 A pill called PREP is positioned in the pharmaceutical market as a solution to avoid contracting HIV.
- 1/8 To prevent breast cancer, doctors recommend annual mammography starting at age 40.
- 1/21 The Department of Health is vigilant to the significant increase in cases of influenza.
- 1/22 The Department of Health began a campaign promoting vaccination against influenza in all public schools in the country, due to the increase in cases of influenza in children under 9 years of age.

1/24 The posture, the weight of bundles loaded on the back and the use of technological items such as smartphones and tablets has caused an increase in skeletal muscle problems in children.

## **FEBRUARY**

2/2 With the recent outbreak of measles in the United States, the question arises of how necessary or not vaccines are in children.

2/8 The Food and Drug Administration has identified a possible link between breast implants and a rare cancer of the immune system.

2/9 The Department of Health confirmed the death of three people due to influenza so far this year.

2/23 Coronary heart disease may cause a heart attack if preventive measures are not taken early.

2/25 Eating nuts may lower the risk of a heart attack in people with type 2 diabetes.

## **MARCH**

3/2 One study shows that diabetes causes other health complications.

3/14 Puerto Rico ranks first in renal mortality in the United States.

3/19 The Department of Health is preparing to start a vaccination route against influenza with 10 thousand doses of vaccines and a new mobile unit.

3/20 The Blood Bank of Mutual Services calls for the donation of platelets.

3/29 The FDA proposed new rules to require mammography providers to notify women about the density of their breast tissue.



3/31 The Department of Health will begin to hold public hearings on the new Regulation of Nursing in PR, which among other changes proposes new requirements to those who assist anesthesiologists.

## **ECONOMY/CONSUMER INTEREST**

### **JANUARY**

1/18 The Resident Commissioner in Washington Jennifer Gonzalez revealed that the White House Memorandum objecting the extension of emergency funds for the PAN granted to 279 thousand people, could be revised.

1/20 As of July 1, a 2.5 percent hike will begin for residential subscribers in the water tariff.

### **FEBRUARY**

2/6 Emergency employees of the UTIER marched to La Fortaleza to take their claims to extend a contract for emergency work.

2/7 Defaulted customers in the payment of water and electricity will be affected soon with the cutting of these services.

2/8 The Association of Public Accountants reports that the income tax returns for this year will have two major changes.

2/14 The Aqueducts and Sewers Authority postponed the start of the water rationing scheduled for seven municipalities in the northwest region of the island from February 20 to 22.

2/16 A new digital platform was developed to seek to market the crop of farmers in the country and consume 100% of Island products, while connecting with farmers, ranchers and artisanal processors.

2/17 The House of Representatives is discussing a new bill that would allow the enactment of short-term rents, type AIRBNB, which has caused discomfort among some apartment owners.

2/19 As of today, taxpayers can access one of the 5 free providers to file Income Tax Returns.

## **MARCH**

3/14 The Aguardillana product chain announced the recall of more than 35,000 pounds of breaded chicken, as they may be contaminated with metal pieces.

3/19 Thousands of people were left without electricity service after a severe breakdown in the yard of the PREPA in Hato Rey.

3/20 The PREPA investigates how two animals could reach high-voltage cables, causing short circuits that left more than 220 thousand subscribers without service in two incidents reported in recent days.

## **ENVIRONMENT AND SCIENCE**

### **JANUARY**

1/4 The partial closure of the US government is already beginning to be felt in some of its airports.

1/23 Puerto Rico does not have a Law that protects the patio bees, a unique species in the world, capable of recovering from pests and different viruses.

### **FEBRUARY**

2/2 Terminal B of the airport was evicted by a strong smell of gas.

2/11 Northeast Municipalities that receive potable water service from the Guajataca Reservoir will be impacted by a rationing plan that will begin this month.

2/21 A project before the Chamber of Representatives aims to get PR to join more than 127 countries for eliminating plastic pollution.

2/21 Experts say that we are drowning in the trash and invite us to put into practice the “R” rules: reduce, reuse, recycle and recover to protect the environment.

2/22 The rationing of water for seven municipalities in the northwest area of the country has already entered into force.

## **MARCH**

3/1 Livestock and vegetables are being affected by the drought.

3/7 The US drought monitor increased the number of towns that are under moderate drought, totaling more than half of the country's municipalities.

3/11 In 4 months PR will have the first artificial intelligence internet laboratory in the Caribbean.

3/12 Earthquake of 4.6 magnitude is recorded in the Guayama area causing terror among residents of adjacent areas.

3/12 78 schools of the public system were evicted on the morning of today due to earthquake.

3/13 Engineers from the Public Buildings Authority inspected several schools in the east to assess the damage caused by yesterday's earthquake.

3/13 The National Guard gave the Governor his Response Plan to deal with an earthquake.

3/15 Governor Ricardo Rosselló participated in the start of works to convert natural gas from units of the Central de San Juan and was received by a protest by members of the UTIER.

3/17 Toa Baja became the first municipality to have a certified brigade in the installation of solar panels.

3/18 The Department of Health directs its efforts to educate the population on the proper management of water resources and their importance during this time of drought.

## **RELIGION AND SOCIAL ISSUES**

### **JANUARY**

1/23 The women's ombudsman and several mayors signed collaborative agreements to establish a link between the Agency and the Municipalities to train the staff in charge of dealing with victims of gender violence who come in search of help.

1/24 After the closure of the federal government in the United States, various services have been affected in Puerto Rico, including the cancellation of visits to the federal prison.

1/24 The proponents of cockfighting do not rule out any forum to oppose the ban passed in the United States Congress.

1/28 Chaos prevails in the Bureau of Forensic Sciences after circulating images of the autopsy area with corpses in the ground and that have initiated an investigation of the agency.

### **FEBRUARY**

2/5 The transfer of the Elephant Mundi from the Mayaguez Zoo to an elephant sanctuary in the US has caused great controversy in a public hearing of the Senate Committee and the DRN.

2/18 The socio-penal technicians of the Department of Correction denounce that the cuts in the Agency endanger the security of the citizens.

2/19 In an unprecedented event, Telenoticias travels on the barge carrying humanitarian aid collected on the island to Venezuela.

2/19 Governor Ricardo Rosselló acknowledged the security risks involved in the entrance of the barge into Venezuelan waters and said that providence were made for a confrontation on the high seas.

- 2/23 Dozens of Venezuelans gathered in front of the Capitol, hoping that humanitarian aid will arrive safely at their destination.
- 2/24 The historic mission undertaken by the Puerto Rico barge with humanitarian aid to Venezuela came to an end after they were intercepted yesterday by the Venezuelan Navy.
- 2/27 The group "Rescatistas de PR Trabajando Unidos", denounced that Mundi the elephant is on the ground and chained in the Mayaguez zoo.

## **MARCH**

- 3/8 A day of protests mainly in the metropolitan area marked the International Day of Working Women.
- 3/9 An Executive Order of the Governor seeks to address the problem of violence against women through an inter-agency plan.
- 3/10 The reassignment of \$ 3 million to the Bureau of Forensic Sciences for the rape kits would only be the beginning to cushion what has been a long and complex process for both the state and the victims
- 3/12 The Vice President of the Unit that represents the workers of the 9-1-1 System warned about the increase of violent cases and the lack of funds to be able to answer the urgency calls of the system.
- 3/13 After the ravages caused by the passage of Hurricane Maria, the charity Cantor Fitzgerald of NY gave four thousand low-income families in San Juan a card with a thousand dollars.
- 3/15 Although Governor Ricardo Rosselló said he will not make the bill that creates new parameters for abortion, the American Union of Civil Liberties called attention to the fact that the measure would promote an increase in the number of illegal abortions.
- 3/21 Governor Ricardo Rosselló issued an express veto to the Senate Bill that restricts the right to abortion.

3/25 Legislators indicate that they will go over the governor's veto on the Project that would restrict abortion in PR, in an attempt to approve the Project that, among other provisions, would prevent under-18s from having an abortion without the consent of their guardians.

3/27 The last Hanes factory remaining in Puerto Rico will cease operations in the month of October, leaving more than 200 people unemployed

3/29 Doctors, hospitals and funerals debate who should be responsible for the corpses that arrive at Forensic Sciences for autopsies.

### **III. OTHERS**

#### **A. TELEMUNDO GALLERY**

The station's lobby is the site of Telemundo Gallery, open to the general public and school tours from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

#### **B. SPECIAL PROGRAMS AND EVENTS**

##### **CORAZÓN AZUL (BLUE HEART)**

Corazón Azul is a brand new non-profit organization created to help young adults with severe autism. On January they held their first marathon with an auto show in the municipality of Guaynabo, raising more than \$30,000 in funds. More than 20,000 people attended the show that last three days.

##### **MDA TELETHON**

Puerto Rico MDA Telethon raised \$1,204,683.00 in funds and gave awareness to support MDA's mission to help children and adults with progressive muscle diseases.

Puerto Rico MDA Telethon featured a mix of celebrity appearances, musical performances and informational segments to help 3,100 patients.

## THYROID TESTS

Telemundo is again joined ABBVIE for free thyroid testing community. The event was held at Telemundo and attended more than 500 people.

### C. PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS

<b><u>PSA#</u></b>	<b><u>TITLE</u></b>	<b><u>LENGTH</u></b>	<b><u>JAN</u></b>	<b><u>FEB</u></b>	<b><u>MAR</u></b>	<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>
1000	ProcuradoraMujer	:25ss	15			15
1002	CampanaEmociones	:30ss	184	58	40	282
1005	OzunaNavidad	:30ss	30			30
1006	CorazónAzul	:30ss	145			145
1007	InicComunAbril	:30ss	56			56
1008	JornadaMundial	:30ss	78			78
1009	CAP Tommy Ramos	:30ss		175	86	261
1010	FondosUnidosInst.	:30ss		47	70	117
1012	ClinicasTiroideMarz	:30ss		32	29	61
1013	MDAPromoMarzo	:30ss		29		29
1014	MDASábado	:30ss			34	34
1016	BabyBoomersAbril	:30ss			156	156
1017	MDALaundryRoom	:30ss			15	15
1019	AlianzaCadenaPositiva:	30ss			10	10
1020	AlianzaCarta	:30ss			11	11
1021	AlianzaExplConocim	:30ss			11	11
1022	AlianzaFalsasAmist	:30ss			10	10
1023	AlianzaManosAyudan	:30ss			10	10
1024	AlianzaMirame	:30ss			11	11
1025	AlianzaObedienciaCiv	:30ss			11	11
1026	AlianzaProtestaPacif	:30ss			10	10
1027	AlianzaVeoveo	:30ss			10	10
1028	AlianzaVez	:30ss			10	10
1039	AlianzaAbreTusOjos	:30ss	46	41	11	98
1040	AlianzaEnseñame	:30ss	48	43	12	103
1041	AlianzaValientes	:30ss	48	44	11	103
1042	AlianzaReality	:30ss	48	44	12	104
1043	AlianzaTorbellino	:30ss	49	44	11	104
1058	BoyScoutsAdoptaMiley:	30ss			12	12
1066	AlianzaManos	:30ss	45	41	11	97
1069	Col.CPACaps2	:30ss	1	32	30	63
1070	Col.CPACaps3	:30ss	1	32	29	62
1071	Col.CPACaps4	:30ss	1	32	29	62
1073	FondosUnidos	1:00	5	26		31

1074	HospNiñoCuido	:30ss	1			1
1075	HospNiñoPsicol.	:30ss	1			1
1076	HospNiñoTerapiaF	:30ss	1			1
1084	AMMSCA Dagmar	:30ss	8	198	136	342
1086	FundaciónCAP	:30ss	<u>265</u>	<u>78</u>		<u>343</u>
	<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>1,076</b>	<b>996</b>	<b>838</b>	<b>2,910</b>