

Overview of Annual Research Topics/Literature Review May, 2020

Upcoming Events

June 2, 2020. John Burton for Youth Webinar – 6 Steps Counties Can Take to Protect Youth in THP-Plus During the Covid-19 Crisis.

<https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/8336804332323011087>

Adult Welfare

Los Angeles Times. May 8, 2020. Anita Chabria, Ben Welsh, Jack Dolan, Richard Winton. Senior Care Homes Source of Nearly Half of all California Coronavirus-Related Deaths, Data Show. The article advises that at least 1,276 people have died with the coronavirus in skill/assisted living facilities. This number, according to the article reflects 49% of state fatalities.

<https://www.latimes.com/california/story/2020-05-08/california-coronavirus-deaths-nearly-half-linked-to-elder-care-facilities>

Child Welfare

John Burton for Youth/Youth Law Center & Bay Area Legal Aid. May, 2020. Six Immediate Steps Counties Can Take to Ensure Housing Stability and Maximize Participation in Transitional Housing Program-Plus During COVID-19. The article goes over six strategies for helping ensure housing stability for former foster youth.

https://www.jbaforyouth.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/Six-Immediate-Steps-for-THP-Plus-Stability_May-2020.pdf

John Burton for Youth. May, 2020. County Policies on Out-Of-County THP-Plus Youth. The list is included in the John Burton for Youth Newsletter. It is a reference for provide, counties and youth. It lists if county has a THP Plus program; and if they allow out of county youth into their program.

<https://www.jbaforyouth.org/out-of-county-youth-thp-plus/>

Drought

May, 2020, Drought Update.

<http://drought.unl.edu/>

Health

COVID 19

Los Angeles Times. May 12, 2020. Nina Agrawal. CSU Plans to Cancel Most In-Person Classes and go Online this fall, Chancellor Says. The article goes on to explain in the fall, most classes will be on line except for some classes that require in-person activity.

<https://www.latimes.com/california/story/2020-05-12/coronavirus-reopening-csu-fall-online-classes>

Los Angeles Times. May 5, 2020. Richard Winton. 6th Terminal Island Prisoner Dies of Covid-19; Congresswoman Say Fauci 'a little alarmed'. The article discusses Terminal Island Federal Prison, where six people have died and 60% of the population have tested positive for the virus.

<https://www.latimes.com/california/story/2020-05-05/coronavirus-covid-19-deaths-terminal-island-prison-california-fauci>

Los Angeles Times. May 17, 2020. M. David. In My Family of Caregivers, Social Distancing is a Luxury We Can't Afford. The article provides a story of a Family of Filipino immigrants who do not have the luxury of not working as caretakers.

<https://www.latimes.com/opinion/story/2020-05-17/coronavirus-social-distancing-caretakers-inequality>

Los Angeles Times. May 18, 2020. So You Really Want to See Your Friends Here How to Assess the Risk. The article goes over, walking, having a drink together and social activities and their associated risks.

<https://www.latimes.com/science/story/2020-05-16/so-you-really-want-to-see-your-friends-heres-how-to-assess-the-risk>

Politico. May 18, 2020. Sarah Oweremohle. Government Backed Coronavirus Vaccine Shows Promise in First Human Trials. In the first trials, eight people developed antibodies.

<https://www.politico.com/news/2020/05/18/vaccine-coronavirus-trials-264946>

Los Angeles Times. May 28, 2020. Tony Barboza, Ben Poston, Ryan Menezes. Coronavirus Surge in Poor LA County Neighborhoods; Reveals Two Americas. The article discusses the impact of the virus ravaging poor communities; while slowing in wealthier communities.

<https://www.latimes.com/california/story/2020-05-28/coronavirus-surge-in-poor-l-a-county-neighborhoods-reveals-two-americas>

Immigration

Fresno Bee. May 18, 2020. Yesenia Amaro. Undocumented Workers Rush to Apply for Coronavirus Aid; Overwhelming California Systems. The article discusses that the overwhelming response of applicants have caused the system to crash and nonprofits struggling to provide services.

<https://www.fresnobee.com/news/coronavirus/article242817371.html>

Poverty

Sacramento Bee. April 30, 2020. Michael Finch II. Staggering Job Losses Hit California Low-Wage Workers. Recover Won't Be Easy After Shutdown. The article discussed the changes employers to include restaurants are making; to include less tables, which will impact workers return to work.

<https://www.sacbee.com/news/business/article242384566.html>

Los Angeles Times. May 1, 2020. Liam Dillon. This isn't an Acceptable Reality: L.A. Renters Hit New Levels of Rage under Coronavirus. The article discusses a rent strike that is occurring as stay at home orders are in their second month.

<https://www.latimes.com/homeless-housing/story/2020-05-01/coronavirus-rent-strike-eviction-squatting-landlord-los-angeles-california>

CNBC. May 8, 2020. Jeff Cox. A Record 20.5 Million Jobs Were Lost in April as Unemployment Rate Jumps to 14.7%. The article advises that the impact Coronavirus economy is the historic losses that smashed World War II records.

<https://www.cNBC.com/2020/05/08/jobs-report-april-2020.html>

Bakersfield.com May 19, 2020. Doug Smith & Benjamin Oreskes. California Leased 15,000 Hotel Rooms to Help Homeless People. Half Now Sit Empty. The article discussed the rooms were rented to slow the spread of the virus, half sit empty.

https://www.bakersfield.com/ap/national/california-leased-15-000-hotel-rooms-to-help-homeless-people-half-now-sit-empty/article_e0f4d194-efb3-5174-84be-297c0c9f7243.html

Los Angeles Times. May 20, 2020. Sarah D. Wire. One-Fifth of Americans Fear They Can't Pay June Rent or Mortgage, Federal Survey finds. The article discussed that in a March, 2020 survey 54 percent of Californians surveyed said an adult in their household lost income and 40.8 percent expected to lose income over next 4 weeks.

<https://www.latimes.com/politics/story/2020-05-20/one-fifth-of-americans-couldnt-pay-may-rent-or-mortgage-government-survey-finds>

Fresno Bee. May 22, 2020. Tim Sheehan. Unemployment Tops 76,000 in Fresno County as Coronavirus Take Toll on Jobs. The article discusses unemployment in Fresno and surrounding counties.

<https://www.fresnobee.com/news/local/article242927491.html>

Pensions

CalMatters. May 5, 2020. Ben Christopher. Round 2 of Pension Reform Kicks off Before California Supreme Court. The Supreme Court will be addressing the "California Rule" and pension reform.

<https://calmatters.org/pension/2020/05/california-supreme-court-pension-spiking/>

S & P Global. May 6, 2020. Todd D. Kanaster. Pension Brief: The Future of U.S. Public Pensions after the Sudden Stop Recession. The article discusses the pension obligations and the sudden stop recessions will likely be felt for years.

<https://www.spglobal.com/ratings/en/research/articles/200506-pension-brief-the-future-of-u-s-public-pensions-after-the-sudden-stop-recession-11479181>