# Overview of Annual Research Topics/Literature Review

April 2023

# **Upcoming Events**

Statewide Collaborative Prevention Convening. May 16, 9-12 Virtual. May 17, 2023, 9-4 Hybrid. For general event information. Contact Serena Chau at serenachau@all4kids.org

Link to Registration:

https://forms.gle/rzgiKQrNiAewRGEK9

John Burton Advocates for Youth. Bridging the Attainment Gap: Enhancing Equity through Student Centered Policies. Zoom – May 18, 2023 @9:00 AM.

Link to Registration:

https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZUpduopz0tE9VT T8fyDSWte1302HaiOzW#/registration

# Adult Welfare:

KFF Health News. April 5, 2023. Phillip Reese. The Rate of Older California Dying of Malnutrition Has Accelerated. The article discusses malnutrition being particularly common among older people, especially those who are ill, low-income, homebound, or without reliable access to healthy food or medical services.

#### Link to Article:

https://kffhealthnews.org/news/article/the-rate-of-older-californians-dying-of-malnutrition-has-accelerated/

## **Child Welfare**

John Burton Advocates for Youth. Laura Szabo-Kubitz Author, Support from Debbie Raucher. March 2023. Promising Partnerships: Supporting College Student Success through Collaboration Between Basic Needs and Financial Aid offices. The report addresses lower-income students and their struggles to cover non-tuition expenses essential to attending college.

# Link to Report:

https://jbay.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/03/Promising-Partnerships-Report.pdf

Capital & Main. April 5, 2023. Ethan Ward. Thousands of Foster Youth Struggle to Keep a Roof Over Their Heads, Will California Help. A state bill aims to extend foster care housing support for those who need it most.

# Link to Report:

https://capitalandmain.com/thousands-of-foster-youth-struggle-to-keep-a-roof-over-their-heads-will-california-help

CalMatters. April 5, 2023. Jeanne Kuanga. California Child Welfare Agencies Under Fire for Pocketing Foster Kid's Social Security Money. The article showcases a California Grandmother who is right to retrieve \$30,000 taken by San Diego County from her Grandchildren's survivor benefits.

## Link to Article:

https://calmatters.org/california-divide/2023/04/social-security-foster-benefits/

# **Drought**

CalMatters. April 6, 2023. Dan Walters. Water Battles Continue Despite Rain and Snow. The article discusses how rain and snow falling in California may have relieved the drought that has plagued the State; battles however continue over water management.

#### Link to Article:

https://calmatters.org/commentary/2023/04/water-battles-continue-despite-rain/

# **Health:**

CalMatters. April 3, 2023. Kristin Hwang. California May Change its Mental Health Funding. Why That Might Cut Some Services. Governor Newsom has proposed a shift of more money to severely mentally ill homeless peoples.

## Link to Article:

https://calmatters.org/health/2023/04/mental-health-funding/

CalMatters. April 3, 2023. Anna Ibarra. Hospital Closures, Cuts in Services Loom for Some Communities. How the State May Step in to Help. After Madera Community Hospital closed; other state hospitals have signaled they are struggling financially.

## **Link to Article:**

https://calmatters.org/health/2023/04/hospital-closures-california/

CalMatters. April 11, 2023. Kristin Hwang. The California Mask Mandate is Gone. Now Some Patients Fear for Their Health. The State ended masking and vaccination requirements. Some patients with chronic illnesses say they may avoid treatment rather than risk contracting Covid-19.

## Link to Article:

https://calmatters.org/health/coronavirus/2023/04/california-mask-mandate-2/

Los Angeles Times. April 8, 2023. Ron Gong-Gon Lin II & Luke Money. Los Angeles County Ends Covid 19 Vaccine Requirements for Employees. The article discusses the conclusion of the Employee vaccination requirement.

#### Link to Article:

https://www.latimes.com/california/story/2023-04-07/l-a-county-ends-covid-19-vaccine-requirements-for-employees

# Poverty:

Los Angeles Times. April 10, 2023. L.A. County's Eviction Moratorium Has Expired. What Does that Mean for Renters? The article discusses how eviction filings are on the rise and are at pre-pandemic levels. The article further discussed Landlords view the end of pandemic-era rules as a relief.

## **Link to Article:**

https://www.latimes.com/california/story/2023-04-10/la-countys-eviction-moratorium-over-whats-next-for-

tenants#:~:text=The%20county's%20eviction%20protections%20expired,offered %20some%20protection%20against%20eviction.

https://sway.office.com/tHQGdDMJpWVpm6si?ref=Link

Los Angeles Times. April 10, 2023. Editorial. California Cities Want to Stop Fast Tracking Affordable Housing Construction. Bad Idea. The article advises SB 35 will sunset at the end of 2025. The new bill written by Wiener would make the SB 35 process permanent. The league of California City and local governments oppose the extension of the bill.

## Link to Article:

https://www.latimes.com/opinion/story/2023-04-11/editorial-california-cities-want-to-stop-fast-tracking-affordable-housing-construction-bad-idea

CalMatters. April 13, 2023. Marisa Kendall. California Cities are Cracking Down on Homeless Camps. Will the State get tougher too? The article discusses California cities pushing mayors and cities councils to clear homeless camps. Leaders are creating new ordinances to address.

## Link to Article:

https://calmatters.org/housing/2023/04/california-homeless-city-laws/

CalMatters. April 17, 2023. Marisa Kendall. California Lawmakers Want to Know Why Billions in Spending Is not Reducing Homelessness. The article explains that a bipartisan group of lawmakers have directed the state auditor to complete a detailed audit of homelessness programs.

#### Link to Article:

https://calmatters.org/homelessness-2/2023/04/california-homeless-spending-audit/

# Other Topics:

## Workforce:

CalMatters: April 6, 2023. Grace Gedye. What Stands Between You and a Fourday Work Week? The article discussed 32-hour weeks, its feasibility and whether it aids in the retention of employees.

# Link to Article:

https://calmatters.org/economy/2023/04/four-day-work-week/