

Overview of Annual Research Topics/Literature Review June 2026

Upcoming Events:

CWDA Annual Conference. October 14-16, 2026, Anaheim, California. CWDA 100: A Century of Impact.

Link to Registration – <https://www.cwda.org/event/cwda-2026-annual-conference>

NAPSA Conference – November 16, 18, 2026. Austin Texas

Link to Registration and Information.

<https://www.napsa-now.org/annual-conference/>

Adult Welfare:

Press Democrat. June 15, 2026. Panashe Matemba Mutasa. Older Californians are Becoming Homeless Faster than any other Age Group. The article discussed older Californians are becoming homeless faster than any other age group, advocates told a state commission.

Link to Article:

<https://www.pressdemocrat.com/2026/06/15/older-californians-are-becoming-homeless-faster-than-any-other-age-group/>

Brookings. June 2026. Wendell Primus, Ben Graham, Jack A. Smalligan, and Chloee Zilkha. Commentary: Reducing Poverty Among Older Adults. The commentary discussed that approximately 6% of elderly adults have insufficient resources to meet their basic needs and why action is needed. The recommendations in the commentary include making changes to current social insurance programs, to include SSI, Medicare, Snap, and Social Security reforms.

Link to the Commentary:

https://www.brookings.edu/articles/_trashed-3/

Child Welfare:

Annie E. Casey Foundation. June 2026. Kids Count Data Book. State Trends in Child Well Being.

Link to Data Book.

<https://assets.aecf.org/m/resourcedoc/Aecf-2026kidscountdatabook.pdf>

US News. June 8, 2026. Andria Park Huynh. Children's Well Being Plummets Across 29 States Report Finds. The report discussed in twenty-nine states, the overall U.S. score fell from 553 to 547 on a 1,000-point scale, a decline that surpasses pre-pandemic numbers.

Link to Article:

<https://www.usnews.com/news/health-news/articles/2026-06-08/childrens-well-being-plummets-across-29-states-report-finds>

Los Angeles Times. June 16, 2026. Rebecca Ellis. Four Billion sex Abuse Case in Limbo: Victims 'Will Die Before They Get Paid,' Attorney Warns. The article discussed the first tranche of money from Los Angeles \$4-billion sex abuse settlement scheduled to hit victims' bank account next week, the county's District Attorney made a last-ditch effort Monday to stop the payments.

Link to Article:

<https://www.latimes.com/california/story/2026-06-15/sex-abuse-settlement-los-angeles-district-attorney-victim-payouts>

Health

Los Angeles Times. June 15, 2026. What COVID is teaching doctors about the relationship between viruses and cancer. The article discussed the correlations between the viral infection and the regrowth of previously dormant cancers.

Link to Article:

<https://www.latimes.com/science/story/2026-06-15/what-covid-teaches-doctors-about-relationship-viruses-cancer>

CalMatters. June 18, 2026. Ana Ibarra. California is Getting Ready to Increase Health Insurance Tax. Will it Affect Your Premium? The article advised if this is approved at the Federal level, a family of four could pay \$400 more a year in premiums.

Link to Article:

<https://calmatters.org/health/2026/06/california-health-tax-medi-cal-premiums/>

Immigration:

Fresno Land. June 15, 2026. Gisselle Medina. If the Federal Government Changes this Rule, Hundreds of Fresno-Area Families Could be Hurt. The article discusses if the federal rule is adopted, thousands of mixed-status families across the country could face displacement.

Link to Article.

<https://fresnoland.org/2026/06/15/mixed-status-families/>

Poverty:

Associated Press: June 1, 2026. Christopher Rugaber. Young and Unemployed? Remote Work, Not AI, May the Problem, Study Finds. The article said remote work, since the pandemic has made business more reluctant to hire young, inexperienced workers.

Link to Article:

<https://apnews.com/article/ai-unemployment-remote-work-hiring-1942a6b0c8dc6f17a30878735a0256ae>

Los Angeles Times: June 4, 2026. Karen Garcia. CalFresh Eligibility is Changing. Here's What You Need to Know. The article discusses changes, starting June 1, 2026, recipients between 18 and 64 will have additional work or community engagement requirement.

Link to Article:

<https://www.latimes.com/california/story/2026-06-04/calfresh-eligibility-is-changing-heres-what-you-need-to-know>

CalMatters. June 11, 2026. Marisa Kendall. Trump Administration Blocks Federal Homelessness Funds in Los Angeles. The article discussed fraud allegations for the Trump administration could cost the Los Angeles area hundreds of millions of dollars in federal homelessness funding.

Link to Article:

[Trump administration blocks federal homelessness funds in LA - CalMatters](#)

CalMatters. June 10, 2026. Dan Walters. California Turns to Minimum Wage Hikes to Offset High Living Costs. There is a Downside. The article discusses the downside to Minimum Wage Hikes.

Link to Commentary.

<https://calmatters.org/commentary/2026/06/minimum-wage-high-living-costs/>

Cal Matters. June 18, 2026. Lynn La. State Worker Fight Newsom's Return to Office Mandate. Gov. Gavin Newsom's mandate for state workers to return to the office four days a week is back on. The article discusses public employees are fighting to stop it.

Link to Article:

<https://calmatters.org/newsletter/newsom-return-to-office-telework/>