

KCRU-FM Oxnard

Programs & Issues for the second quarter of 2011 Apr., May, Jun..

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 Homelessness
2. Arts and Cultural Preservation
3. Senior Rights and Services
4. Youth Services and Education
5. Police and Public Safety
6. Energy and Environment
7. Traffic and Transportation
8. Disabled Access
9. Police, Fire and EMS
10. Parks and Recreation

Additionally, the following programs were produced and broadcast in the public interest:

KCRU PROGRAMS/ISSUES LIST – 2nd Quarter 2011 APR. MAY JUN.
Which Way LA?, KCRW's ongoing series on the issues that southern Californians care about, hosted by Warren Olney, airs Monday through Thursday, from 7:00pm to 7:30pm.

ISSUE	DESCRIPTION OF PROGRAM	DATE/TIME	DURATION
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EDUCATION/BUDGET

California's plan for higher education says all high school graduates are eligible for community college admission, but some 400,000 students are likely to be rejected. Can California invest enough in education to keep the US competitive?
Aired Monday, April 4, 2011 7:00pm ½ hr.

POLICE/PUBLIC SAFETY

Governor Brown has signed a new law to keep non-violent felons in county jails, rather than overcrowded state prisons. LA DA Steve Cooley says that could be a threat to public safety. We talk with him and Sec'y of Corrections, Matthew Cate.
Aired Tuesday, April 5, 2011 7:00pm ½ hr.

BUDGET/EDUCATION

Without the Governor's proposed extension of tax hikes, LAUSD may be in the hole by \$500 million, requiring 7000 teachers to be laid off. Are major

stakeholders just ringing their hands or trying to find alternatives?

Aired Wednesday, April 6, 2011 7:00pm ½ hr.

ENERGY

The federal budget is stalled in part because of demands to weaken the EPA's regulation of greenhouse gas emissions, just as Brown prepares to sign a new state law raising renewable fuel standards from 20 to 33 percent.

Aired Thursday, April 7, 2011 7:00pm ½ hr.

TRAFFIC/TRANSPORTATION

From East Hollywood to Boyle Heights yesterday, streets were closed so that anybody who wasn't propelled by a motor could get acquainted with LA. Mayor Villaraigosa says this just could be the future of municipal transportation.

Aired Monday, April 11, 2011 7:00pm ½ hr.

SCIENCE/TECHNOLOGY

Retired space shuttles are going to the Smithsonian in Washington, the Kennedy Space Center in Florida and the California Science Center in Los Angeles. We hear what LA has meant to the manned-space program and vice versa.

Aired Tuesday, April 12, 2011 7:00pm ½ hr.

FEDERAL BUDGET

The cuts likely to be enacted by Congress on Friday amount to about 1 percent of this year's \$3.8 trillion federal budget: a lot of money. We hear about service reductions in healthcare, housing, legal services and environmental protection.

Aired Wednesday, April 13, 2011 7:00pm ½ hr.

CULTURAL PRESERVATION

After years of delay and controversy, a \$54 million Mexican-American cultural center will open near Olvera Street, downtown. We speak with La Plaza CEO Miguel Angel Corzo, and hear from planners, designers and curators.

Aired Thursday, April 14, 2011 7:00pm ½ hr.

SPORTS/REVENUE

Anaheim has a \$75 million bond to get a third professional basketball team in Southern California, but steps to move the Kings from Sacramento have been delayed. Are professional sports franchises really a good deal?

Aired Monday, April 18, 2011 7:00pm ½ hr.

POPULATION

The latest report says the largest single group in Los Angeles constitutes almost 49 percent of the population. It is no surprise it's the group called "Hispanic." The Census Bureau made that up. In fact, they are too diverse for a single category.

Aired Tuesday, April 19, 2011 7:00pm ½ hr.

LA MAYOR'S RACE

Former LA Mayor Richard Riordan has endorsed Austin Beutner, former aide to Mayor Villagraigosa, to succeed Villaraigosa in 2013. Will that scare off a crowd of better-known hopefuls? What does it reveal about who runs the city?

Aired Wednesday, April 20, 2011 7:00pm ½ hr.

POLITICS/PROPAGANDA

Republicans in Orange County are divided over the face of President Obama superimposed on the picture of a chimpanzee and emailed from one County Committee member to her colleagues. Harmless joke or racist prank?

Aired Thursday, April 21, 2011 7:00pm ½ hr.

STATE BUDGET

Four months ago, California voters wanted to reduce the state's \$26 billion deficit with spending cuts alone. Not any more. Now they're willing to mix spending cuts and increased taxes, if they get a chance to vote on the option.

Aired Monday, April 25, 2011 7:00pm ½ hr.

TRANSPORTATION/TRAFFIC

California's High-Speed Rail Authority plans to start building its first leg next year, with the ultimate goal of a train from San Diego to San Francisco. Is that a blow to the state's transportation needs or a blessing in disguise for taxpayers?

Aired Tuesday, April 26, 2011 7:00pm ½ hr.

ENERGY/PUBLIC SAFETY

Edison's nuclear plant at San Onofre has drawn recent scrutiny, not just because it's near an earthquake fault that could cause a tsunami. We hear about the "safety culture." Is it declining? Could it lead to an accident?

Aired Wednesday, April 27, 2011 7:00pm ½ hr.

SOCIAL SERVICES

Los Angeles County has 1.7 million hungry residents and almost half don't know they're eligible for food stamps the federal government pays for. We hear what the County's doing to make some improvement.

Aired Thursday, April 28, 2011 7:00pm ½ hr.

WAR OVERSEAS

The death of Osama bin Laden has world-wide ramifications and is important, even, locally. We hear about security concerns of the Chief of the LAPD and talk Marine vets on Afghanistan, and a Muslim leader who's "very relieved."

Aired Monday, May 2, 2011 7:00pm ½ hr.

PRISONS

With 713 inmates on Death Row at San Quentin, it's \$90,000 more every year to house a condemned inmate than one sentenced to life. The state won't try to conduct an execution at least until next year. Should we try something new?

Aired Tuesday, May 3, 2011 7:00pm ½ hr.

EDUCATION

Tuition at UC campuses is now almost \$12,000 a year and that could double if voters don't give Governor Brown the tax increases he's asked for. Are legislators turning their backs on the institutions that got them where they are?

Aired Wednesday, May 4, 2011 7:00pm ½ hr.

CIVIL RIGHTS/MILITARY

What do Marines do if homosexuality is against their religion and a gay man moves into the barracks? "Follow orders," says Camp Pendleton and other bases when it comes to repeal of the ban on gays and lesbians in the armed forces.

Aired Thursday, May 5, 2011 7:00pm ½ hr.

DEVELOPMENT

At a time of cutbacks in public services, LA is returning \$640 million in tax revenue to the developers of three hotels in booming downtown Los Angeles. Is it a sound "investment" or a giveaway? Would the hotels be built anyway?

Aired Monday, May 9, 2011 7:00pm ½ hr.

EDUCATION/LABOR

Public school teachers' week-long lobbying effort continues in Sacramento, despite yesterday's arrests. Does unexpected state revenue mean their "State of Emergency" can be resolved without an extension of taxes?

Aired Tuesday, May 10, 2011 7:00pm ½ hr.

CONGRESSIONAL ELECTION

On Tuesday voters will get a chance replace Democrat Jane Harman, who resigned from her Congressional seat. We talk with four leaders on a ballot that includes 16 candidates.

Aired Wednesday, May 11, 2011 7:00pm ½ hr.

IMMIGRATION

President Obama says he's getting tough on immigration enforcement, but one "crucial" program is getting resistance, not just from immigrants, but from states and localities around the country. We hear about "Secure Communities."

Aired Thursday, May 12, 2011 7:00pm ½ hr.

STATE BUDGET/ENVIRONMENT

California will take in \$6.6 billion more in revenue than expected in January. Today the Governor's plan still includes extending increases in the sales tax and the vehicle license fee. Will 70 state parks still have to be closed?

Aired Monday, May 16, 2011 7:00pm ½ hr.

TRAFFIC/TRANSPORTATION

From Sherman Oaks to Bel Air, the San Diego Freeway will be shut down from midnight Friday until 5am Monday. How will a half-million vehicles get through the Sepulveda Pass?

Aired Tuesday, May 17, 2011 7:00pm ½ hr.

YOUTH SERVICES

LA County got more confusing than ever yesterday, when three out of five supervisors voted to re-take control of two troubled departments that deal with children. What are county residents supposed to think now?

Aired Wednesday, May 18, 2011 7:00pm ½ hr.

STATE BUDGET

As California's budget drama drags on, many people say let's tax the rich. It turns out, we do. That's why state revenue has unexpectedly gone up by \$6.6 billion, but it's also one of the reasons state finances are in such a mess.

Aired Thursday, May 19, 2011 7:00pm ½ hr.

ARTS/ANTIQUITIES

The Getty Museum's famous statue of Aphrodite has gone home from the Villa in Malibu to a small town in Sicily, and the Getty no longer buys looted antiquities from a criminal underground. A new book tells the story of beauty.

Aired Monday, May 23, 2011 7:00pm ½ hr.

PRISONS

The US Supreme Court has created uncertainty and fear by ordering California to reduce the prison population by 30,000 inmates, citing overcrowding, "needless suffering and death." Dissenters say public safety will suffer from a criminal wave.

Aired Tuesday, May 24, 2011 7:00pm ½ hr.

CITY BUDGET/REVENUE

The City of Los Angeles has created a new job for someone "willing to be gutsy and make enemies in City Hall." Will the Inspector General of Collections also make enemies of those who owe \$541 million in unpaid taxes, fees and tickets?

Aired Wednesday, May 25, 2011 7:00pm ½ hr.

TRAFFIC/TRANSPORTATION

LA's Metropolitan Transportation Authority has been working on big decisions today for the cultural center of South Los Angeles, Wilshire on the Westside and cuts in services. We get a progress report.

Aired Thursday, May 26, 2011 7:00pm ½ hr.

WAR OVERSEAS

Combat means death for some, for others it's wounds to the body and the mind. On this Memorial Day, we hear about the nature of wars most Americans don't think about very much and what life is like for soldiers who get to come home.

Aired Monday, May 30, 2011 7:00pm ½ hr.

PRISONS/CIVIL RIGHTS

A new state law provides for inmates to be released when they are sick or otherwise no longer a threat to the public, but the state Parole Board refused to release a quadriplegic. Do they want to scuttle the medical release program?

Aired Tuesday, May 31, 2011 7:00pm ½ hr.

YOUTH SERVICES/FOSTER PARENTS

Despite court order, California waited three years before increasing foster parents' payments, leaving them without enough to cover essentials for 18,500 kids. Now the judge has finally cracked down. We find out what that means.

Aired Wednesday, June 1, 2011 7:00pm ½ hr.

LABOR

Costa Mesa is a battleground between public employee unions and council members who want to cut the workforce in half and outsource jobs to private contractors. Will other cities that face rising pension costs take notice?

Aired Thursday, June 2, 2011 7:00pm ½ hr.

HEALTHCARE/PUBLIC SAFETY

After a recent outbreak of E. coli in Germany, local health officials are asking recent visitors to Germany to report gastrointestinal symptoms to doctors and requesting patients to avoid antibiotics, which could make things worse.

Aired Monday, June 6, 2011 7:00pm ½ hr.

STATE POLITICS/POLITICAL BOUNDARIES

California voters demanded that an independent commission re-draw the boundaries for Assembly, Senate and Congressional districts. New maps will be released on Friday. Will moderates of both parties have a better chance?

Aired Tuesday, June 7, 2011 7:00pm ½ hr.

BUDGET/LABOR

An auditor says Orange County gave unjustified raises to a few high-level executives while hundreds of low-level workers were laid off or furloughed. Warnings about possible legal violations reportedly were ignored.

Aired Wednesday, June 8, 2011 7:00pm ½ hr.

TRAFFIC/POLICE/PUBLIC SAFETY

Since 2004, cameras have been mounted at 32 intersections in the City of LA to provide pictorial evidence of red-light violations. Drivers may be glad to hear the Police Commission has voted to get rid of them. We hear the pros and cons.

Aired Thursday, June 9, 2011 7:00pm ½ hr.

STATE POLITICS/POLITICAL BOUNDARIES

The prospect of newly redrawn district boundaries, drawn by an independent commission, may require the GOP to reinvent itself. But did the commission do all it could to accommodate the growth of the state's Latino and Asian populations?

Aired Monday, June 13, 2011 7:00pm ½ hr.

ENVIRONMENT

Sharks are rapidly becoming extinct and a major culprit is shark fin soup, an important delicacy for centuries in Chinese culture and a leading cause of 73 million shark deaths every year. Now California may ban the sale of shark fins.

Aired Tuesday, June 14, 2011 7:00pm ½ hr.

STATE BUDGET

Governor Brown promised "an honest budget without the smoke and mirrors." Now there are massive cuts in higher education and it could mean the death of redevelopment agencies. Governor Brown might refuse to sign.

Aired Wednesday, June 15, 2011 7:00pm ½ hr.

STATE BUDGET

Governor Brown has vetoed the budget passed yesterday, blaming Republicans for refusing to bargain and forcing the vote in time to meet yesterday's midnight deadline. Democrats are outraged. Is the Governor on his own?

Aired Thursday, June 16, 2011 7:00pm ½ hr.

LABOR/YOUTH

Sara Terry looks at the summer job situation and why prospects for job seekers under 25 are so grim. What's the cost personally and for society?

Aired Monday, June 20, 2011 7:00pm ½ hr.

STATE BUDGET

State Controller John Chiang says, "The numbers simply did not add up," so he won't pay Senators and Assembly members until they send the Governor a budget that's balanced. What's next for the state spending plan?

Aired Tuesday, June 21, 2011 7:00pm ½ hr.

BUDGET/POLICE/SERVICES

Costa Mesa's new city council wants to lay off half its employees, the police chief quit and a bare bones budget was passed last night in a room full of angry citizens. Prudent reaction to rising pension costs or manufactured crisis?

Aired Wednesday, June 22, 2011 7:00pm ½ hr.

HOUSING/VETERANS' SERVICES

In 1888, more than 300 private acres of land on LA's Westside were donated for the use of American veterans. So why are 6000 veterans homeless in local neighborhoods while part of the land is used for commercial purposes?

Aired Thursday, June 23, 2011 7:00pm ½ hr.

ENERGY

Last year, the DWP threatened to withhold money from LA's general fund if it didn't get increases in rates. Whatever happened to that rate-payer advocate approved by the voters? We talk to the new General Manager of the DWP.

Aired Monday, June 27, 2011 7:00pm ½ hr.

STATE BUDGET

Governor Brown says he'll sign a budget with massive cuts and the hope that economic recovery will bring new revenues, or more cuts will be triggered. What does that mean for the quality of life in California? Is it really financial distress?

Aired Tuesday, June 28, 2011 7:00pm ½ hr.

YOUTH/STATE BUDGET

California's law against violence in video games was tossed out by the Supreme Court as a violation of the First Amendment. California companies that have 41 percent of a \$20 billion industry. Who knows the impact of virtual violence?

Aired Wednesday, June 29, 2011 7:00pm ½ hr.

STATE BUDGET

Today, Governor Brown signed a state spending plan he called "honest but painful," full of cuts to core functions of government, but also based on revenues that may never come through. What are the potential consequences?

Aired Thursday, June 29, 2011 7:00pm ½ hr.

