

WEDNESDAY!!! DENIM DAY:

VIDEO: Emily Samantha A.

Research: Ricel, Elizabeth

Flint, Michigan: (Luz Mendez)

<https://youtu.be/NUSiLOWkrIw>

We should create something like this but an updated version, it is important to note that this is still an issue but is no longer broadcasted. We focus so much on things like the egg and other social trends. Maybe we can explain it in a less amount of time.

Intro: Humans can live 3 weeks without food, but only 2 days without water. We can assume that water is essential. But what if your water was poison. This is the situation for Flint, Michigan.

Rest of the information here:

<https://theberkey.com/blogs/water-filter/flint-michigan-water-crisis-its-timeline-and-latest-update>

LA Fires:

Vid: Samantha A. & diamond & gabby & Marelyn

Where can people find/give help?

Video similar to:

The devastating blaze, which began on Nov. 8, scorched more than 153,000 acres and destroyed more than 18,000 structures, according to California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection officials. The number of residents still missing stands at 249, and thousands more have been displaced by the massive blaze.

Human Trafficking: Yesenia Emily h & Emily G & rosemary

Human trafficking is modern-day slavery and involves the use of force, fraud, or coercion to obtain some type of labor or commercial sex act. Every year, millions of men, women, and children are trafficked around the world. It estimated that human trafficking generates many billions of dollars of profit per year. There are many myths and misconceptions that exist.

Recognizing key indicators of human trafficking is the first step in identifying victims and can help save a life. Do not attempt to confront a suspected trafficker directly or alert a victim to any suspicions.

To REPORT: 1-866-347-2423

To GET HELP: 1-888-373-7888 or text HELP or INFO to BeFree (233733)

VIDEO: <https://www.dhs.gov/blue-campaign/videos/general-awareness#wcm-survey-target-id>

Food Desert:

Olivia: research

Samantha: video The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) defines food desert is as “a low-income census tract where either a substantial number or share of residents has low access to a supermarket or large grocery store. The population of food deserts is predominantly Hispanic or Latino, followed by Black and White, respectively.

- Access alone is not enough to address food insecurity. Building a new store does not mean people will shop there.
- If you recognize that you are living in a food desert, you can start by helping those in your community understand what this means and talk about ways to make change. Discussing different options, such as growing your own food, working with local retailers to sell healthy, vegan foods, etc. is a good place to start. It is also important to bring your ideas and concerns to policy makers—city councilmembers, state legislators, etc.

To learn more you can also reach out to others who have worked on this issue..

Educational System:

- The Crisis: (Mireya Vivar) & Marlen R. Monse

<http://justschools.gseis.ucla.edu/crisis/index.html>

- California's education system ranks near the bottom of all states, many problems are far worse for low income students, students of color and immigrant students learning English.
- California’s current system of “accountability” uses test scores to blame students for not doing better, rather than giving them the necessary resources.

<https://www.laweekly.com/news/california-is-home-to-some-of-americas-worst-public-schools-7205447>

- Compared with the other 49 states and the District of Columbia, California ranked 47th in reading test scores, 46th in math test scores and last in student-teacher ratios. These were results reported from the WalletHub survey
- However, the report also shows that California does have the greatest “percentage of licensed or certified public school teachers in the state; by that metric, we're No. 22”
- Where to access report:

<https://wallethub.com/edu/states-with-the-best-schools/5335/>

- Unsustainable Education in California:

<http://uscommonsense.org/research/unsustainable-california-the-top-10-issues-facing-the-golden-state-education/>

- California's K-12 schools face relatively low and unstable in classroom funding, poor student performance, and massive potential cuts in the near future.
- California schools educate over 6.2 million children (1/8th) of the nations students.
- While the state dedicated the largest share of its budget to fund education, it is per pupil spending levels still ranks among the nations lowest.
- Schools are understaffed, especially considering the # of high-needs students
- Among those who graduate from high school in California, only 38% are actually prepared to go to one of California's public universities.