



CALIFORNIA BUDGET PROJECT

2010

the **3** **R^s**

What's in Store for California?

**Recession
Recovery
Reform**

March 25, 2010
Sacramento Convention Center
8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

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California stands at a crossroads, facing two immense crises – one fiscal, the other economic. These dual crises have left California's families battered and state and local budgets ill-equipped to respond. As double-digit unemployment rates increase demands on the safety net, more Californians turn to publicly supported programs to help make ends meet.

There is a growing awareness that the constitutional framework imposed by decades of ballot measures has led to unintended consequences and makes it difficult to craft a fiscally responsible budget. While there are signs that the national economy may have turned the corner, California lags behind, facing the prospect of a recovery that will be weak and slow to arrive.

The budget and policy decisions that are made to address these crises will shape California's future for decades to come.

Can California be saved? What can policymakers do to address the budget shortfall and prepare for a future that promotes economic well-being for all Californians? Is this the year for "real" budget reform?

The California Budget Project's 2010 policy conference, *The Three Rs: Recession, Recovery, and Reform – What's in Store for California?*, will explore the answers to these questions and more.

Plenary sessions and workshops will examine proposals to reform California's budget process, spur economic recovery, and protect vulnerable Californians. Join hundreds of the state's leading activists, policy experts, and community leaders for an information-packed look at what's in store for 2010 and beyond.

the 3rd R^s

Recession Recovery Reform

MORNING PLENARY

Roadblocks and Reform: Is This the Year We “Fix” California?

Speakers:

Joe Mathews, senior fellow, New America Foundation and co-author, *The California Crackup: How Reform Broke the Golden State and How We Can Fix It* (University of California Press, June 2010)

Jean Ross, executive director, California Budget Project

LUNCH PLENARY

Recession, Recovery, and Reform: A View From the Beltway

Speaker:

Ezra Klein, staff reporter, *The Washington Post*

AFTERNOON PLENARY

Bridging the Gap: The 2010-11 Budget and Beyond

Speakers:

Denise Moreno Ducheny, chair, Senate Budget and Fiscal Review Committee

Noreen Evans, chair, Assembly Budget Committee

RECEPTION

Reception immediately following the conference.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

Policymakers, advocates, service providers, and local government officials with an interest in improving the lives of low- and middle-income Californians should attend the California Budget Project's annual conference.

workshops

- **Another crisis? balancing the 2010-11 budget**
- **Beyond bars: options for reforming California's prison system**
- **The economy by the numbers: how bad is it and what should we do about it?**
- **Treating what ails us: what might federal health reform mean for California?**
- **Paying the bills: what makes for a good tax system?**
- **Is help on the way? Will federal dollars help close California's budget gap?**
- **Saving the safety net: what makes welfare reform work?**
- **And much, much more...**

schedule

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| <i>For updates on speakers and workshop topics, check our website at www.cbpc.org.</i> | 8:00 – 8:45 | Registration Continental Breakfast |
| | 9:00 – 10:30 | Welcome Morning Plenary |
| | 10:45 – 12:00 | Workshops |
| | 12:15 – 1:45 | Lunch Plenary |
| | 2:00 – 3:15 | Workshops |
| | 3:15 – 5:00 | Afternoon Plenary Closing Remarks |
| | 5:00 – 6:00 | Reception |

register now

AND GET THE EARLY BIRD RATE!

The registration fee includes continental breakfast, lunch, conference materials, and evening reception.

- \$90.00 Early Bird Registration**
payment must be received by February 20
- \$125.00 Standard Registration**
payment must be received by March 12
- \$150.00 Walk-Up Registration** (space permitting)

REGISTER ONLINE AT: www.acteva.com/go/cbp

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Payment check may be mailed to the CBP at:

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1107 9th Street, Suite 310
Sacramento, California 95814
(916) 444-0500

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(916) 444-0172

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Please indicate your lunch preference: ☐ Vegetarian ☐ Chicken

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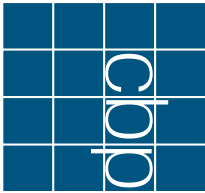
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