Find the Science in Any Story



Peruse these topics to inspire story ideas where scientific evidence and expertise can enrich your community reporting.

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Weather	
Housing & Homelessness	Search for studies exploring the physical or mental health effects of experiencing housing insecurity.
K-12 Education	Pask local educators how they're integrating Al into their classrooms.
Food & Restaurants	If there's a major crop grown in your coverage area, explore environmental or industrial factors that might threaten it.
Public Safety	Search for data on the safety hazards associated with common jobs in your area. What practices might reduce those risks?
Waste Management	© Consider writing an explainer on the science behind composting and feature local sources who regularly compost.
Long-Term Care	Ask staff at local memory care facilities about their practices to support residents' wellbeing. Ask psychologists to weigh in.
Flu Season	Interview public health experts about vaccine hesitancy and write an explainer.
Water Quality	Follow conversations about water fluoridation in your community. Unpack the evidence behind adding fluoride to water.
Sports	[♀] Get a physicist's thoughts on the best way to throw a frisbee or master a ski slope.
Transportation	Preview crash data in neighborhoods where traffic-calming measures, such as speed bumps or traffic circles, have been installed.
Noise & Light Pollution	© Does your community have a nearby airport, stadium, or major highway? Search for studies exploring the health effects of different infrastructure. The OPEN Notebook.