FEMA Awards Over \$1M to Loudoun County for COVID-19 Vaccine Distribution

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PHILADELPHIA – The Federal Emergency Management Agency's Region 3 has obligated more than \$1 million to Loudoun County, Va., to aid vaccine distribution to combat COVID-19.

As of Feb. 1, 2021, FEMA has obligated \$1 billion to our partners across the country. This funding is for critical supplies and staffing that can help protect and save lives.

With the award, Loudon County will lease a facility for the administration and storage of vaccines. This vaccination site is anticipated to open for operation the week of Feb. 1, 2021, with a target rate of 3,000 vaccinations per day.

Items that are funded can include:

- Supplies and commodities needed to safely store and administer the vaccine.
- Transportation support and reasonable, necessary security for refrigerated trucks.
- Medical and support staff.
- Communication materials that keep the public informed.
- Training personnel on vaccine distribution and administration.

"FEMA has acted quickly to get crucial funding to the Commonwealth of Virginia as we work together to contain the spread of the virus and protect the public and frontline medical workers," said Janice Barlow, Acting Regional Administrator, FEMA Region 3. "Safety is our top priority, and FEMA will work side by side with all our state partners until this mission is complete."

Grants for emergency protective measures taken to protect the public before, during and after disasters are funded through FEMA's Public Assistance Grant



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program, which reimburses communities for actions taken in the immediate response and during recovery from a disaster. Eligible applicants include states, federally recognized tribal governments, U.S. territories, local governments and certain private non-profit organizations.

For information on Virginia's vaccination response, phases and future vaccine phases go to https://www.vdh.virginia.gov/covid-19-vaccine/.

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