1 million vaccine doses administered at FEMA-supported centers in the Southeast

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ATLANTA - More than 1 million doses of COVID-19 vaccine have been administered at Community Vaccination Centers in Southeastern states since the first site opened March 3.

The centers, operated by the states and supported by FEMA, were established to provide large-scale vaccination capabilities in areas serving socially vulnerable or underserved populations. Four centers opened March 3 in Florida, capable of providing 3,000 doses per day in Jacksonville, Miami, Orlando and Tampa. Subsequently, more centers opened in Alabama, Georgia, Kentucky, North Carolina, South Carolina and Tennessee, some with 3,000-dose capability and others with 1,000-dose capability.

Certain centers have mobile units or satellite operations bringing vaccines to nearby communities.

Nationally, FEMA Community Vaccination Centers have administered nearly 5 million vaccine doses.

"These large-scale centers have carried out an important mission, delivering the vaccine quickly and efficiently to so many people in such a short time," said Gracia B. Szczech, FEMA Region IV administrator. "The vaccine is now widely available at many places in most communities, and we will continue to support the states' efforts to get shots in arms."

Visit <u>fema.gov/vaccine-support</u> to learn more about how FEMA is assisting with vaccinations across the United States.

