## **FEMA COVID-19 Vaccinations Update**

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WASHINGTON - Federal pilot community vaccination centers are scheduled to open in Atlanta on Wednesday and Detroit tomorrow.

The state-of-the-art facility at the Mercedes-Benz Stadium in Atlanta is accessible by car, bus and rail and is uniquely located to support underserved people in the south and east sides of the metro area and has the space and teams needed to administer up to 6,000 doses a day.

The decision to locate a federal pilot community vaccination center in Atlanta was data-driven, using information from CDC's social vulnerability index and population data from the census. The agency continues working with state partners to locate community vaccination centers where they will be able to do the most good for the most vulnerable populations and ensure everyone who wants a vaccine gets one.

Ford Field in Detroit is also a centrally located community vaccination center capable of administering up to 6,000 doses per day.

Mobile vaccination operations will supplement the work being done at Ford Field, focusing vaccine distribution to public and senior housing complexes, homebound populations and hard-to-reach, socially vulnerable communities. Southern Michigan was severely impacted by COVID-19, especially communities of color in the Detroit metro area.

Community vaccination centers are led by states, but may be supported by the federal government, including FEMA. Each state determines its own vaccination priority groups and procedures. FEMA is working to speed up vaccinations by supporting states as they open community vaccine centers across the country and working with its interagency partners continue to stand-up and provide support to additional sites daily.

FEMA is committed to the equitable distribution of vaccines and has now provided more than **\$4.39 billion** for expenses related to COVID-19 vaccination at 100%



federal cost share. These <u>funds cover critical supplies</u>, <u>staffing</u>, <u>training and</u> transportation needs that support increased vaccination efforts.

Find out where, when and how to get a vaccine in your community and get more information from your local health department and a <u>list of places where adults</u> can get a vaccine.

Visit FEMA.Gov for information on FEMA's vaccination support efforts.

