FEMA COVID-19 Vaccinations Update

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WASHINGTON -- Today, federal pilot community vaccination centers opened in Gary, Indiana; Greenbelt, Maryland; St. Louis; Memphis, Tennessee and Milwaukee, with additional federal pilot community vaccination centers scheduled to open next week in Pueblo, Colorado; St. Paul, Minnesota; and Columbia, South Carolina.

FEMA mobile vaccination units are now operating in Nevada, Oregon, Connecticut and Maryland, bringing vaccinations to hard-to-reach and high-risk populations who cannot access services from fixed sites.

FEMA remains committed to the equitable distribution of vaccines. Using data from CDC's social vulnerability index and population data from the census, the agency continues working with state partners to locate federal pilot community vaccination centers where they will be able to do the most good for the most vulnerable and historically underrepresented communities, to ensure everyone who wants a vaccine gets one.

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 continues working to speed up vaccinations by supporting states as they open community vaccine centers across the country and continues working with interagency partners to provide support to additional sites daily.

FEMA has now provided more than **\$4.5** 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</u> and <u>transportation needs</u> 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 list of places where adults can get a vaccine. Visit FEMA.gov for information on FEMA's vaccination support efforts.



Walk-up Vaccination Center Opens in Yakima, Wash.



YAKIMA, Wash. -- A walk-up mobile vaccination center is set up in a grocery store parking lot.

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YAKIMA, Wash. -- Vaccine recipients begin the process at a walk-up vaccination center.

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YAKIMA, Wash. -- A vaccine recipient gets her first COVID-19 vaccine shot at the newly opened walk-up vaccination center.

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