

# FEMA COVID-19 Update

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WASHINGTON -- FEMA continues efforts to help stop the spread of COVID-19, while also offering services to help those most affected by the pandemic.

## **Funeral Assistance**

FEMA has received more than 101,000 applications for funeral assistance since the program launched last week. The agency is providing financial assistance for COVID-19-related funeral expenses incurred after Jan. 20, 2020.

Applicants may apply by calling 844-684-6333 (TTY: 800-462-7585) from 9a.m. to 9p.m. EDT, Monday through Friday. Multilingual services are also available. To help speed the process, the agency has 5,000 phone agents available and is training additional staff to support the large call volume. Callers who use a relay service, videophone or captioned telephones should provide their specific number assigned to that service.

**FEMA will not contact anyone until they have called FEMA or have applied for assistance.** Applicants should not disclose information such as the name, birth date or social security number of any deceased family member to any unsolicited telephone calls or e-mails from anyone claiming to be a federal employee or from FEMA. It is important that FEMA can contact applicants after they begin the application process by phone. Please note that phone calls from FEMA may come from an unidentified number.

## **Vaccination Efforts**

In the ongoing fight against COVID-19, FEMA continues working to speed up vaccinations by supporting states as they open community vaccination centers across the country. Working with state governments FEMA will open additional federal pilot community vaccination centers, which include federal support and supplemental vaccine allocations. This week, centers are scheduled to open in Bessemer, Alabama, Tulsa, Oklahoma and Central Point, Oregon.



FEMA is committed to the equitable distribution of vaccines and ensuring everyone who wants a vaccination can get one. FEMA mobile vaccination units are bringing vaccinations to hard-to-reach and high-risk populations who cannot access services from fixed sites. Ten mobile vaccination units are currently deployed across the country.

Find vaccine updates in your community and more information from [your local health department](#) to confirm if you can get a vaccine. You can find a [list of places where adults can get a vaccine](#). Visit FEMA.Gov for detailed information on [FEMA's vaccination support efforts](#).

