

FEMA COVID-19 Vaccination Update

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WASHINGTON --?This week, federal [pilot](#) community vaccination centers are scheduled to open in Boston; Essex, New Jersey; Norfolk, Virginia and Yakima, Washington.

FEMA has now provided more than \$4.47 billion for expenses related to COVID-19 vaccination at 100% federal cost share. These [funds cover critical supplies, staffing, training and transportation needs](#) that support increased vaccination efforts.

Community vaccination centers are led by states, but may be supported by the federal government, including FEMA. FEMA continues working to speed up vaccinations by supporting states as they open community vaccine centers across the country and working with interagency partners to stand-up and provide support to additional centers daily.

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 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. Each state determines its own vaccination priority groups and procedures.

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](#).

Funeral Assistance

Under the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act of 2021 and the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, FEMA will provide financial assistance for COVID-19-related funeral expenses incurred after Jan. 20, 2020.

[FEMA's funeral assistance program](#) has controls in place to mitigate fraudulent activity. FEMA will not contact anyone until they have called FEMA or have applied for assistance, after the program begins taking applications. Individuals 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. If you doubt a FEMA representative is legitimate,



hang up and report it to the FEMA Helpline at 800-621-3362 or the [National Center for Fraud](#) Hotline at 866-720-5721. Complaints may also be made by contacting local law enforcement agencies.

