

American Samoa Receives \$3.4M to Provide COVID-19 Vaccines

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OAKLAND, Calif. – The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) granted American Samoa \$3.4 million to open two vaccination sites to support the distribution and administration of vaccines territory-wide.

Funds will reimburse expenses for medical and support staff; personal protective equipment; facility costs and supplies required to store, handle, transport and administer vaccines; and efforts to share public information regarding vaccinations.

FEMA's Public Assistance program will provide the initial \$3.4 million of the \$6.8 million expedited project. Additional funding will be reimbursed upon submission of documentation supporting further expenditures.

Public Assistance provides grants to government organizations and certain private nonprofit organizations following a presidential disaster declaration to quickly respond to and recover from major disasters or emergencies.

FEMA continues working with its partners ? including the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and other federal agencies ? along with state, tribal and territorial authorities, private sector partners and others to assist, augment and expedite vaccinations in the United States.

We remain committed to helping Americans in their time of need and will continue to work with our partners to stop the spread of this disease.

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