FEMA COVID-19 Vaccination Update

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WASHINGTON -- The first FEMA mobile vaccination unit is operating in Bridgeport, Connecticut through early next week, bringing vaccinations to hard-to-reach and high-risk populations who cannot access services from larger, fixed centers. Currently, the unit is focusing its efforts on eastern and southwestern areas in the state.

A second mobile vaccination unit will begin administering vaccinations in the Eastern Shore area of Maryland on Saturday.

This week, federal pilot community vaccination centers opened in Boston; Newark, New Jersey; Norfolk, Virginia and Yakima, Washington. Centers are scheduled to open next week in Gary, Indiana; Greenbelt, Maryland; St. Louis; Memphis, Tennessee and Milwaukee.

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 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 works 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.

FEMA has now provided more than **\$4.49 billion** for expenses related to COVID-19 vaccination at 100% federal cost share. These <u>funds cover critical supplies</u>, <u>staffing, training and 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



<u>can get a vaccine</u>. Visit FEMA.Gov for information on <u>FEMA's vaccination support</u> efforts.

