

Memorandum



CITY OF DALLAS

DATE February 5, 2021

TO Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

SUBJECT **Taking Care of Business – February 4, 2021**

New Updates

City Manager's Corner – Employee(s) of the Week

John Ingram and Aquileo Aguayo typically handle the city store and auction. However, with the COVID Pandemic, they shifted to purchasing, storing, unloading, and coordinating distribution of \$9,259,733.77 worth of PPE to city employees, and nonprofits. So far, they have distributed \$3,728,920.50 worth of PPE including masks, wipes, and gloves, and the distribution is just getting started! Their work has been crucial to the safety of the City's front-line workers. Congratulations to John and Aquileo!



PPE and COVID-19 Informational Signage

The Communications, Outreach and Marketing (COM) Storefront at the City Store is open for PPE and signage to be picked up by appointment only. An order form (<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=nnA1KQzBCUijAoUtNp-HAlz1ivLO4tpGiApotf3UuF9UQTRJSDZZQIM3WkxQTE1MR01DUkk5RIA0Vi4u>) must be completed and submitted. Orders will be scheduled with your office for pick up at the City Store by a COM staff member. Order pickups will be from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays. If you have questions, please contact Communications, Outreach & Marketing Director Catherine Cuellar at media@dallascityhall.com.

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[Exciting New Programs at Dallas Public Library!](#)

Dallas Public Library (DPL) is excited to announce a new FREE service in partnership with *Atmos Energy*. VOOKS - online storybook videos will be available for a free, one-year subscription with access to over 1,000 titles. This can be used from the Atmos app or from your computer for children ages 2-8 years old. Visit [AtmosEnergy.com/Vooks](https://www.atmosenergy.com/Vooks) to sign up and let the fun begin! Should you have questions or concerns, please contact Jo Giudice, Director of Libraries.

[Free Tax Assistance](#)

While remaining safe during COVID, for individuals who need help filing their taxes, this year DPL is working with VITA to offer free help at three locations, Fretz Park, Hampton-Illinois, and Lochwood Branches. An appointment must be made, no walk-ups please. DPL is working to add more locations in March and will update this information as it becomes available. Please refer to the DPL website www.dallaslibrary.org or call 214 670-1400 for more information.

[Book Bundles](#)

DPL rolled out Book Bundles this week! Do you miss browsing the shelves and finding a new, exciting book to read? Then Book Bundles is for you. Just fill out a simple form and library staff will fill a bag of books for you based on your stated preferences. There is nothing better than a bag of surprises available through our *Library to Go* curbside pickup. Visit <http://dallaslibrary2.org/dplwhatsnext/bookbundles.php> to sign up. For more information, please contact Jo Giudice, Director of Libraries.

[Sign Up for the Government Alliance on Race & Equity \(GARE\) Membership Portal](#)

City of Dallas is a member of Government Alliance on Race & Equity (GARE), this means every City employee has access to the GARE membership portal. The membership portal is another opportunity for employees to be a part of advancing equity efforts in their respective departments. Through the GARE portal City employees have access to information, resources and best practices across various jurisdictions that will support their department in operationalizing equity. Staff can learn more about GARE and the membership benefits by attending GARE's upcoming Informational Session on [Friday, February 11, 2021](#) or [joining the portal here](#). Following registration, it takes 2-4 days for GARE to approve members' access. If you have any questions, please contact Dr. Lindsey Wilson, Equity Officer, Office of Equity and Inclusion - Equity Division at lindsey.wilson@dallascityhall.com.

[MLK Black History Month event](#)

On February 12th and 19th, 2021, the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Community Center will host "The Fierce Urgency of Now: 2021 Virtual Black History Month Celebration" in honor of Black History Month. Black History Month, or National African American History Month, is an annual celebration of achievements by Black Americans and a time for recognizing the central role of African Americans in U.S. history. The 2021 MLK Virtual Black History

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Month Celebration is continuing with the theme from our 39th Annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Scholarship and Awards Gala and will feature guest speakers, education, a spoken word artist, and a performance from an African drum and dance ensemble. More information is included in the attached flier and information on how to view the event will be available at www.dallasmlkcenter.com/black-history-month. For more information on this event, contact Office of Community Care Director, Jessica Galleshaw.

[Communications, Outreach, and Marketing Menu of Services](#)

The Communications, Outreach, and Marketing (COM) [template library linked here](#) has been updated with the new COM Menu of Services. Please work with your departmental COM PIO liaison to manage communications requests using the following forms:

[COM Project/Service Request Form](#)

[COM A/V Request](#)

[Written Translations](#)

For more information, please contact Catherine Cuellar, Director of Communications, Outreach, and Marketing.

[American Institute of Architects Dallas Sustainability Commendation](#)

Susan Alvarez, assistant director for the City of Dallas' Office of Environmental Quality and Sustainability has received the American Institute of Architects (AIA) Dallas Sustainability Commendation for 2020. The award is to recognize her leadership in the development and approval of the City of Dallas' first Comprehensive Environmental Climate Change Plan (CECAP). The award and recognition began in 2014 and it is awarded once a year. This award recognizes those that are committed to building a resilient and sustainable society and understand that close cooperation and farsighted vision from public officials, community leaders, business owners, and design professionals is required to accomplish a stronger environmental connection between our work and the world around us. "Celebrate Architecture 2021", a virtual Zoom event will be held on February 4, 2021 from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. to formally recognize all the award recipients and to cite their accomplishments. The public is welcome to attend this free event. Please register in advance: [Celebrate Architecture 2021 and Award Recognition](#). Should you have any questions, please contact Sheila Delgado, Interim Director Office of Environmental Quality & Sustainability at sheila.delgado@dallascityhall.com.

[Point In Time Homeless Count Kick Off & Volunteer Opportunity](#)

Registration for the 2021 Point In Time (PIT) Homeless Count kick-off is now open. The kickoff will be held via video conference on Thursday, February 18 from 11:00 to 11:30 a.m. After an introduction by Councilmember Casey Thomas, II, Mayor Eric Johnson will make opening remarks. To register, please click [here](#).

In addition, Metro Dallas Homeless Alliance (MDHA) has made a PIT Homeless Count volunteer opportunity available for the Mayor and City Council. Assistance is needed assembling the 4,000 "blessing bags" that will be given to individuals participating in the count. Volunteers are needed on Monday, February 15, 2021 (note this is a city holiday)

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from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. or from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. at City Square located at 1610 S. Malcolm X Blvd. A map showing the meeting room location is attached. The deadline for signing up for this volunteer opportunity is next Thursday, Feb. 11, 2021. For more information about the kick-off event or volunteer opportunity, please contact Gloria Sandoval, Partnerships Manager in the Office of Homeless Solutions (gloria.sandoval@dallascityhall.com).

Planning & Urban Design (P+UD) Ambassador Program

Planning & Urban Design is launching a new Ambassador program on February 8, 2021. The purpose of the P+UD Ambassador Program is to engage civic-minded Dallas residents to increase awareness, build understanding and help communicate the value of city planning in land development and neighborhood improvement processes. Through this program we hope to create an effective grass-roots communication network and a forum for exchanging ideas on how to improve neighborhoods. Ambassadors will receive training to learn about planning processes and how to influence them. Details on the Ambassador program are available [here](#). Applicants are asked to fill out an online application form available in [English](#) and [Spanish](#). Should you require more information, please contact Peer Chacko, Director of Planning and Urban Design.

New Procurement Opportunities

The Office of Procurement Services (OPS) is excited to announce the following new contract opportunities. More information can be found on the City's [electronic bid portal](#):

Opportunity No.	Opportunity Name
CIZ1965	Main Street from Good Latimer Expwy. to Exposition Ave., by Department of Public Works
BI21-00015119	Chemical Root Control System
BRZ-00015057	Homelessness Diversion Services
BV21-00015589	Plumbing Pipe, Fittings, Fixtures, Trim and Parts
BRZ21-00014983	Senior Services Employment Program
BRZ-00015066	Youth Homelessness

We are also pleased to share the latest [Procurement Quarterly](#), listing citywide opportunities for the current quarter (of the fiscal year) and published on the OPS [website](#). Please be advised that once an opportunity is advertised, it is considered an open procurement until the City Council awards the contract. The Code of Ethics prohibits communication between councilmembers and vendors/ suppliers on open procurements. Should you have any questions, please contact Chhunny Chhean, Director of Procurement Services.

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Look Ahead

City Council Briefings

February 17, 2021

- Illegal Dumping & Blight Abatement Strategic Plan
- Update on Bridging the Digital Divide – RDI Initiative
- Dallas Executive Marketing Plan

Media Inquiries

As of February 1, 2021, the City has received media requests from various news outlets regarding the following topics:

- Vaccination efforts by the City
- Water bill irregularities
- Small Business Continuity Fund
- NBC 5 Inquiries About the Number of DFR Members Testing Positive for COVID
- DFR Begins Administering Second Dose of Moderna Vaccine to First Responders
- First Responder Second Dose Vaccination Efforts – Day 1 Summary
- Dallas Morning News Inquires About Total Number of First Responders Who Received Initial Moderna Dose
- First Responder Second Dose Vaccination Efforts – Day 2 Summary
- NBC 5 Inquiries About Total Number of First Responders Who Received Initial Moderna Dose
- Firefighter Okay After Injuring Knee at Structure Fire
- First Responder Second Dose Vaccination Efforts – Day 3 Summary
- First Responder Second Dose Vaccination Efforts – Day 4 Summary
- Dallas Morning News Inquires About Residents Turned Away from Vaccination Site
- Rate of First Responders Electing to Receive Vaccine Trending Below 50%
- DFR Battles Large Mulch Fire in Northwest Dallas
- First Responder Second Dose Vaccination Efforts – Day 5 Summary
- First Responder Second Dose Vaccination Efforts – Day 6 Summary
- First Responder Second Dose Vaccination Efforts – Day 7 Summary

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Please see the attached document compiling information provided to media outlets, during the period from January 26 – February 1, 2021, for your reference. Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact Kimberly Bizer Tolbert, Chief of Staff.



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City Manager

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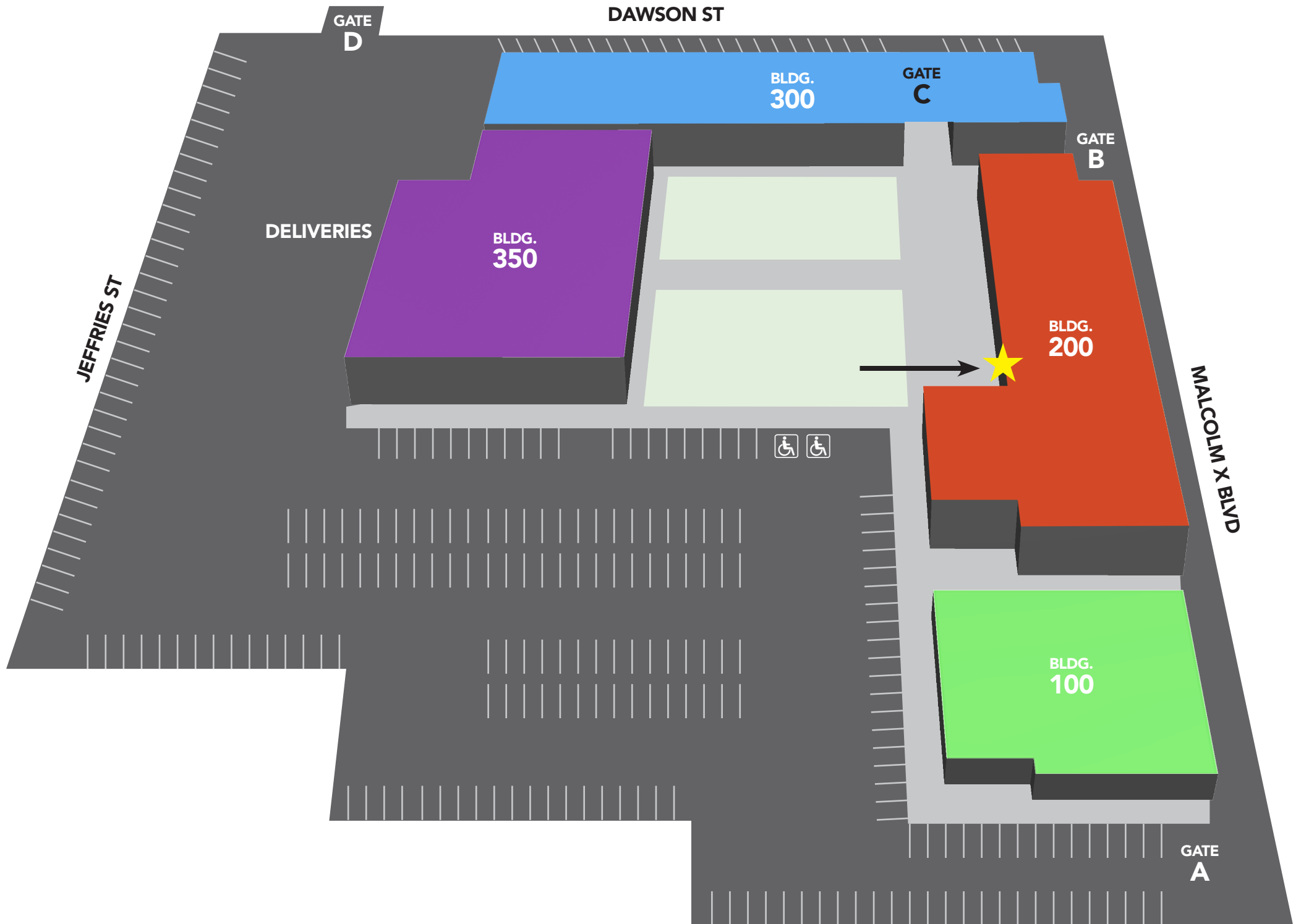




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Communications, Outreach & Marketing
Media Requests
Jan. 26 – Feb. 1

Date Submitted: 1/30/2021

Topic: WFAA - vaccination information

Inquiry: Eric Alvarez with WFAA requested information regarding the City's vaccination efforted. The City shared the following: today (Saturday) there was more traffic than in days before due to increased demand for weekend appointment times, some arriving without having been invited, and others confirmed arriving ahead of schedule. The actual time from entering the parking lot for registration verification to leaving the garage is approximately 30 minutes.

Date Submitted: 2/1/2021

Topic: Water Bill Inquiry

Inquiry: Ms. Bazan inquired about alleged irregularities of a DWU customer's water bill. DWU provided correct information of the billing history and outreach provided to the customer.

Submitted By: Nichelle Sullivan (Dallas Water Utilities)

Media Entity: SanJuana Bazan (Telemundo/NBC 5)

Date Submitted: 2/1/2021

Topic: Celebration of Black History

Inquiry: WFAA reporter Jay Wallis asked for photographs and background on Juanita Craft as research for a piece on Black History in the City of Dallas. We were able to connect him with John Slate in City Archives.

Submitted By: Nichelle Sullivan (City Secretary's Office - City Archives)

Media Entity: Jay Wallis, Reporter, WFAA

Date Submitted: 2/1/21

Topic: Small Business Continuity Fund

Inquiry: NBC 5, Telemundo, and Univision requested interviews with Economic Development to discuss the reopening of the Small Business Continuity Fund. Assistant Director Zarin Gracy conducted the interviews.

Submitted By: Anastasia Reed (CMO)

Media Entity: NBC 5, Telemundo, and Univision

Date Submitted: 2/1/2021

Topic: Spectrum News - vaccination operations

Inquiry: Mike Pool with Spectrum News asked about vaccinations at KBHCCD on Tuesday. The City responded that KBHCCD is not operating on Tuesday, operations will resume Wednesday when about 1,000 vaccines will be administered.

Submitted By: Roxana Rubio (Office of Emergency Management)

Media Entity: Mike Pool (Spectrum News)

Date Submitted: 2/1/2021

Topic: Univision - clarification on vaccinations

Inquiry: Laura Cruces with Univision 23 reached out asking for information on two specific cases of residents being turned away for vaccines after receiving an email. OEM and DFR explained they are seeing several cases where families share an email address, the email for vaccination is sent to person A and the person who also shares the email is then confused when they cannot sign up.

Submitted By: Roxana Rubio (Office of Emergency Manage, Dallas Fire-Rescue)

Media Entity: Laura Cruces (Univision 23)

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Submitted By: Roxana Rubio (Office of Emergency Manage, Dallas Fire-Rescue)

Media Entity: Laura Cruces (Univision 23)

Date Submitted: 2/1/2021

Topic: DMN - vaccination stats

Inquiry: Everton Bailey with the Dallas Morning News asked how many total invitations were sent out to residents and how many people were turned away with vaccinations? The City explained 10,000 invitations went out and about 450 persons with appointments were not able to be vaccinated during this allocation. Those persons were scheduled for priority appointments starting Wednesday.

Submitted By: Roxana Rubio (Office of Emergency Management)

Media Entity: Everton Bailey (Dallas Morning News)

This morning the team estimated about 2300 vaccines would be administered today.

We have turned away approximately 30% of residents who had appointments today. The reasons include:

- They received the link, to schedule an appointment, from a friend or family member
- They found the link in any other way than a direct communication from the City of Dallas
- They did not meet the eligibility criteria to be vaccinated at this time due to extremely limited vaccine availability.

Submitted By: Roxana Rubio (Office of Emergency Management)

Media Entity: Eric Alvarez (WFAA)

Date Submitted: 2/1/2021

Topic: NBC5 - vaccine information

Inquiry: Katy Blakey with NBC inquired about the City's vaccination operations over the weekend. The City answered and provided the following information:

How many people with valid appointments were turned away?

About 450, more than 250 have already received an invitation to schedule appointments this week, others will be contacted tomorrow morning.

What's happening to reach those people and get them vaccinated?

Persons who had valid appointments on Saturday and did not receive them have already received or will receive a text and email inviting them to schedule.

What, if any, logistical changes will be made to improve traffic flow and communication around the convention center?

Operations on Wednesday and Thursday will be for 1,000 vaccinations each day. Friday and Saturday, Methodist hospital will be providing support to administer 1,5000 vaccines each day. Read more about the partnership here, https://content.govdelivery.com/bulletins/gd/TXDALLAS-2be0744?wgt_ref=TXDALLAS_WIDGET_3

What's being done to ensure appointment links can not be forwarded?

The City of Dallas is currently working on a feature to authenticate a resident's registration prior to accessing the scheduling link. Additionally, the City and County will be working together to find a permanent solution. More information should be available later this week.

Additionally, the City clarified 450 persons were not turned away due to vaccines going to residents without appointment, but because the last day of operations there was a slight overbooking to account for no show and reschedules as seen in the previous days.

Submitted By: Roxana Rubio (Office of Emergency Management.)

Media Entity: Katy Blakey (NBC 5)

Date Submitted: 2/2/21

Topic: Small Business Continuity Fund

Inquiry: The Small Business Grant Program is returning, but the City has successfully spent all of its CARES ACT funding. The reported inquired where the money is coming from. The first of the Small Business Continuity Fund was funded by Cares Act dollars and the second round is being funded by Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds.

Submitted By: Anastasia Reed (CMO)

Media Entity: NBC 5, Larry Collins



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Dallas Fire-Rescue Department
Media Requests: January 26, 2021 – February 1, 2021.

Tuesday, January 26th: NBC 5 (Lizbeth Licon) - Can you please provide us with the latest Covid19 cases for Dallas Fire?

City Response – Sent her the following information which was posted to the department’s Twitter page:

As of January 26th, [@DallasFireRes_q](#) is reporting a total of 493 [#firefighters](#) and civilian employees who've tested positive for [#COVID19](#). 468 have fully recovered, and 50 are currently under [#quarantine](#) for on and off-duty exposures. [@CityOfDallas](#) [#FlattenTheCurve](#)

https://twitter.com/DallasFireRes_q/status/1354124702965522432?s=19

Tuesday, January 26th: Sent the following to all local media outlets –

On Tuesday, January 26th, at 8:00 a.m., DFR began administering the second dose of Moderna vaccine to **FIRST RESPONDERS ONLY** from Dallas Fire-Rescue, the Dallas Police Department and the Dallas City Marshal’s Office.

The process is set to happen in two phases, which have been scheduled as follows:

- Phase 1: Tuesday, January 26th – Thursday, January 28th
- Phase 2: Saturday, January 30th – Sunday, January 31st

Today, we expect to administer the second dose to approximately 350 first responders, but we won’t have a confirmed number until operations have concluded for the day.

There were just over 2,000 first responders who received their first dose, from 12/29/20 – 1/5/21, at the Kay Bailey Hutchinson Convention Center.

Wednesday, January 27th: Sent the following update, on first responder vaccinations, to all the local media –

Operation Medicine Wheel – First Responder 2nd Dose: Day 1

Update: On Tuesday, January 26th, at 8:00 a.m., Dallas Fire-Rescue (DFR) began administering the second dose of the Moderna vaccine to first responders from DFR, the Dallas Police Department and the Dallas City Marshal's Office.

To maximize efficiency, and ensure that first responders receive their second dose as close to the 28-day mark as possible, the vaccination process is being conducted in two phases:

- Phase 1: Tuesday, January 26th – Thursday, January 28th
- Phase 2: Saturday, January 30th – Sunday, January 31st

During the first day of operations, vaccinations were administered to 353 first responders. Efforts ran smoothly from 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., with the heaviest traffic coming through during the early hours, before settling at a steadier pace.

Though there were no major issues reported over the course of the day, staff will continually monitor the situation to ensure operational efficiency.

Wednesday, January 27th: Dallas Morning News (Everton Bailey) - Do you know how many people from each agency received the first 2,000 doses? Did DFR staff, for example receive 1,000 of them? Also, do you know how many have received vaccines from other sources (like Parkland)?

City Response - There were a total of 2,004 first responders who were able to get their first dose at KBHCC.

Of those, 738 were given to DFR members, 1,221 to DPD and 45 for Dallas City Marshals.

While there were other DFR member who received their vaccines through Parkland, prior to and after our efforts at KBHCC, they are under a separate tracking system and I'm unable to confirm that number.

Thursday, January 28th: Sent the following update, on first responder vaccinations, to all the local media –

Operation Medicine Wheel – First Responder 2nd Dose: Day 2

Update: On Wednesday, January 27th, at 8:00 a.m., Dallas Fire-Rescue (DFR) continued administration of the second dose of the Moderna vaccine to first responders from DFR, the Dallas Police Department and the Dallas City Marshal's Office.

Operational hours ran from 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., and much like the first day, the second day of operations saw the majority of its volume during the early hours before

tapering off for the rest of the day, as vaccinations were administered to an additional 307 first responders.

To maximize efficiency, and ensure first responders receive their second dose as close to the 28-day mark as possible, the vaccination process is being conducted in two phases:

- Phase 1: Tuesday, January 26th – Thursday, January 28th
- Phase 2: Saturday, January 30th – Sunday, January 31st

There were no major issues reported over the course of the day, but staff will continually monitor the situation to ensure operational efficiency.

Thursday, January 28th: NBC 5 (Claire Cardona) - Do you know how many DFR, DPD and City Marshal's first responders have been vaccinated so far including those who have had just one and those with both doses? And will this weekend's vaccination effort be open to media, or will there be any b-roll provided?

City Response - 2,004 first responders from DFR, DPD and the City Marshals received their first dose.

Over the course of the past three days, 918 of those first responders have receive their second dose.

There will be no media access given inside the vaccination site. Considering the operation, with the exception of the parking level, was identical to what we did for the first dose, we did not intend on capturing and distributing new b-roll. You'll have to use the b-roll that was sent out back on December 29th when we began administering the first dose to first responders.

Friday, January 29th: All local media outlets - Is there any information available about a reportedly injured firefighter, at 2900 block of Reservoir St? Incident number 2021022485.

City Response – Thankfully, this was a knee injury suffered while operating at the fire, and not a burn injury. The firefighter has already been released from the hospital and is expected to be okay.

Friday, January 29th: Sent the following update, on first responder vaccinations, to all the local media –

Operation Medicine Wheel – First Responder 2nd Dose: Day 3

Update: On Thursday, January 28th, at 8:00 a.m., Dallas Fire-Rescue (DFR) continued administration of the second dose of the Moderna vaccine to first responders from DFR, the Dallas Police Department (DPD) and the Dallas City Marshal's Office.

Operational hours ran from 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., and volume remained steady over the course of the day, without incidence, as vaccinations were administered to an additional 258 first responders.

Despite the phased approach (referenced below), DFR will be conducting second-dose vaccinations today (1/29) due to scheduling needs of DPD personnel. As a result, we are expected to make the accommodations of between 650 – 700 police officers during today's operational period.

NOTE: To maximize efficiency, and ensure first responders receive their second dose as close to the 28-day mark as possible, the vaccination process is being conducted in two phases:

- Phase 1: Tuesday, January 26th – Thursday, January 28th
- Phase 2: Saturday, January 30th – Sunday, January 31st

Saturday, January 30th: Sent the following update, on first responder vaccinations, to all the local media –

Operation Medicine Wheel – First Responder 2nd Dose: Day 4

Update: On Friday, January 29th, at 8:00 a.m., Dallas Fire-Rescue (DFR) continued administration of the second dose of the Moderna vaccine to first responders from DFR, the Dallas Police Department and the Dallas City Marshal's Office.

To maximize efficiency, and ensure first responders receive their second dose as close to the 28-day mark as possible, the vaccination process is being conducted in two phases:

- Phase 1: Tuesday, January 26th – Thursday, January 28th (Complete)
- Phase 2: Saturday, January 30th – Sunday, January 31st

Friday's operational hours ran from 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., resulting in 541 additional first responders receiving their second dose; bringing the grand total of 1,459 first responders who have been fully vaccinated going into the phase 2.

Saturday, January 30th: Dallas Morning News (Charlie Scudder) - Wanted to check in on the city's vaccine site -- we heard from some folks that people were being turned away today. Can you provide any details? Also, do you know about how many people have been turned away today?

City Response - Yes, there are people who are being turned away from the KBHCC Vaccination site. The reasons include:

- People receiving the link, to schedule an appointment, from a friend or family member
- People finding the link in any other way than a direct communication from the City of Dallas
- People not meeting the eligibility criteria to be vaccinated at this time due to extremely limited vaccine availability

Up to this point today, approximately 30% of people have been turned away today.

Saturday, January 30th: NBC 5 (Eva Parks) (following up on a 1/21 request) - It's looking like we're going to do something in the next week or so. I'm circling back to everyone I surveyed to make sure I have the most accurate numbers by Monday since I know many departments received second doses this week.

Based off the info you gave me below looks like 738 from DFR of 1985 is about 37 percent? We are asking the departments trending under 50% of participation why more aren't getting it as we know it's voluntary. Let us know what you can.

City Response - Since receiving the vaccination is voluntary, and disclosing a reason for refusal is not requisite, we are unable to say specifically why more DFR members aren't getting the vaccine.

Generally speaking, the reasons that firefighters have are probably consistent with those from anyone else; like concerns over the speed at which the vaccines were developed, whether any corners were cut during that process, concerns over unknown long-term effects, among other reasons.

All we can do as a department is provide the facts to our members so they can conduct their own risk vs. benefit analysis and make an educated and informed decision on what they feel is best for them and their families.

Saturday, January 30th: All local news desks – Do you have any information on this 2 alarm response? Is it a mulch fire?

City Response - At 15:30 Dallas Fire-Rescue units were dispatched to a 911 call for a mulch fire after someone stated they could see fire coming from piles of mulch at the Living Earth – Mulch, Compost and Soils, located at 1901 California Crossing Road, in Northwest Dallas.

When firefighters arrived at the scene, they reported out with lots of fire and smoke coming from mulch piles behind the industrial facility. Fire companies have been on the scene for over two hours trying to mitigate the situation; but such is the case with any

mulch fire, it is a laborious cycle of suppressing the flames then digging through the mulch piles only to find more fire smoldering underneath. Strong winds have also been a significant hindrance to suppression efforts, as Command had to call for a second alarm fire response resulting in the response of 14 heavy apparatus, and other equipment, and about 70 firefighters to help contain the spread of the fire.

There have been no injuries reported, but several pieces of machinery belonging to the business, as well as the fence to an neighboring business, have sustained fire damage. Efforts are expected to last well into the evening and morning hours as multiple ariel ladders are being used to surround and drown the piles as much as possible.

Investigators are working with business owners to gather more information to help determine a cause; but for now, the cause of the fire will remain undetermined.

Sunday, January 31st: Sent the following update, on first responder vaccinations, to all the local media –

Operation Medicine Wheel – First Responder 2nd Dose: Day 5

Update: On Saturday, January 30th, at 8:00 a.m., Dallas Fire-Rescue (DFR) continued administration of the second dose of the Moderna vaccine to first responders from DFR, the Dallas Police Department and the Dallas City Marshal's Office.

Operational hours ran from 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., with no incidence; resulting in a total of 1,649 first responders who have been fully vaccinated going into the final day of first responder operations..

To maximize efficiency, and ensure first responders receive their second dose as close to the 28-day mark as possible, the vaccination process is being conducted in two phases:

- Phase 1: Tuesday, January 26th – Thursday, January 28th (Complete)
- Phase 2: Saturday, January 30th – Sunday, January 31st

Monday, January 1st: Sent the following update, on first responder vaccinations, to all the local media –

Operation Medicine Wheel – First Responder 2nd Dose: Day 6

Update: On Sunday, January 31st, at 8:00 a.m., Dallas Fire-Rescue (DFR) continued administration of the second dose of the Moderna vaccine to first responders from DFR, the Dallas Police Department and the Dallas City Marshal's Office.

Operational hours ran from 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., with no incidence, resulting in a total of 1,798 first responders who have been fully vaccinated. Though the original operational period has expired, there are still first responders who have not been fully

vaccinated. As a result, operations will continue to run through Monday, February 1st, starting at 8:00 a.m., to make sure the entirety of the 2,004 who received the initial dose get their second one.

Tuesday, January 2nd: Sent the following update, on first responder vaccinations, to all the local media –

Operation Medicine Wheel – First Responder 2nd Dose: Day 7

Update: On Monday, February 1st, at 8:00 a.m., Dallas Fire-Rescue (DFR) continued administration of the second dose of the Moderna vaccine to first responders from DFR, the Dallas Police Department and the Dallas City Marshal's Office.

The final day of operations, like the previous days, ran without incidence, resulting in a total of 1,902 first responders being fully vaccinated. While that still puts us 102 short of the 2,004 who received the first dose, scaled down arrangements will be made in the coming days to ensure that those first responders are given the opportunity to receive that second dose.