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Governor Walz Announces COVID-19 Community Vaccination Events in Marshall and Worthington

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[ST. PAUL, MN] – The State of Minnesota's COVID-19 Community Vaccination Program is expanding further this week, Governor Tim Walz announced, with two temporary vaccination events in Marshall at the MERIT Center and Worthington at the Worthington Event Center. Vaccine will be administered at the Marshall and Worthington events to currently eligible Minnesotans, including frontline workers in food processing and agriculture this week.

"Across the state, we continue to build an expansive network of providers to bring vaccines directly to Minnesotans in their communities. Our Community Vaccine Program is a key component of this provider network," Governor Walz said. **"These new opportunities in Marshall and Worthington will help us reach even more people in southern Minnesota, including hard-working folks in food processing and agriculture."**

"The Community Vaccine Program locations in Marshall and Worthington will help us get shots to more Minnesotans who need them – including essential workers whose jobs put them at increased risk of COVID exposure," Lieutenant Governor Peggy Flanagan said. **"Minnesota providers are working hard to get shots to everyone who needs them, and we're excited to stand up addition Community Vaccination opportunities in southern Minnesota to help make that possible."**

The temporary Marshall and Worthington one-time events join the seven permanent, large-scale community vaccination sites in Minneapolis, Duluth, Rochester, Bloomington, Saint Paul, St. Cloud and Mankato as part of the Community Vaccination Program.

“We need broad community protection before we are able to rein in COVID-19 and get back to the many normal parts of life we all have missed — and the way we get there is by getting as many people vaccinated as possible, as quickly as possible,” continued Governor Walz. **“To do that, all Minnesotans should get vaccinated with the first vaccine available to them. These new locations provide even more opportunities for people to get their shot.”**

Minnesotans who have not received a vaccine should sign up for the Minnesota COVID-19 Vaccine Connector, which will notify users about vaccine opportunities near them. Users currently eligible for the vaccine may be randomly selected for an appointment at a Community Vaccination Program location. Minnesotans may be contacted directly if they can make an appointment.

Minnesotans can sign up at https://mn.gov/vaccineconnector (https://mn.gov/vaccineconnector) . Minnesotans unable to sign up online or who require translation assistance can call 833-431-2053 between 9:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m., Monday through Friday to sign up over the phone.

In addition to the Vaccine Connector, Minnesotans can search for local providers, contact information and scheduling opportunities on the state’s vaccine finder map: https://mn.gov/covid19/vaccine/find-vaccine/locations/index.jsp (https://mn.gov/covid19/vaccine/find-vaccine/locations/index.jsp) .

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