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VACCINES ON THE GO

Phoenix launches first mobile vaccination units in Arizona.

(PHOENIX) – Continuing her commitment to ensure COVID-19 vaccines are available to everyone, [Mayor Kate Gallego](#) and the City of Phoenix today announced the launch of two mobile vaccination units. The vans are the first of their kind in the state, and are intended to make it easier for people in underserved areas to receive a lifesaving shot.

“More than 40% of eligible Arizonans have still not been vaccinated,” said Mayor Gallego. “Sometimes, it’s because people can’t get away from work. Still others don’t have easy access to transportation that would get them to established vaccine clinics. These innovative mobile units solve both problems. They empower us to bring vaccines directly to the people in our community who need them most.”

Since the spring of 2020, the City of Phoenix has held 220 fixed-location testing sites that delivered more than 42,000 COVID-19 tests. Mobile units also traveled to more than 360 Phoenix locations, many of them underserved, and provided another 146,000 tests.

Upgrading the mobile units to offer vaccination services was a smart, simple move, possible largely through the influx of federal dollars through the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act) and the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA).

During today’s event, Mayor Gallego thanked the health care partners who will staff the vans and distribute the vaccines. Those partners include [Equality Health](#), [Arvizu Advertising & Promotions](#), [Premier Lab Solutions](#), [Family Tree Healthcare](#), [Vincere Cancer Center](#), and [Phoenix Fire’s Baby Shots Immunization Program](#). Mayor Gallego also offered her thanks to the city employees who worked diligently to make these events successful. She also thanked city employees for their efforts throughout the pandemic.

“The people of Phoenix are resilient. The same is true of our civil servants. They have shown a fierce dedication to keeping the public healthy,” she said.



To determine when a mobile vaccination unit will be near you, please visit <https://communityforimmunity.com/organizer/city-of-phoenix/>.

Phoenix, Arizona is the fifth largest city in the United States. With a population of 1.7 million, it is also the fastest growing city in the nation. For more information about Phoenix and services available through the city, please visit phoenix.gov.

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