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Kane County Health Department to Open Elgin Vaccination Site on April 7

April 6, 2021 – The Kane County Board Office and the Kane County Health Department, in collaboration with Cook County and the City of Elgin, will launch a vaccination site at Elgin's Eastside Recreational Center, located at 1080 East Chicago Street, Elgin, IL 60120**.** It will open Wednesday, April 7, and operate six days per week. Exact days and hours are still being coordinated with the City and will be partially based upon vaccine availability.

"It is with great hope that Kane County announces the opening of its third mass vaccination site," said County Board Chairman Corinne Pierog. "Located at the Eastside Recreation Center, this site will be a unique partnership between Cook County, the City of Elgin, and Kane County, and will provide access to Cook and Kane Counties' underserved communities. This cross-county vaccination partnership is a first of its kind in Illinois. We are highly encouraged by the progress being made at Kane County's other two sites, and look forward to continuing those efforts in Elgin."

"The City is proud to host a vaccination site in Elgin and support all of the counties' efforts to help get as many Elgin residents vaccinated as quickly as possible, especially our underserved population that will benefit from this site's ideal location," said Dave Kaptain, Mayor of the City of Elgin.

"This site creates more access to vaccine for our residents and will provide greater reach for us to help vulnerable populations that have been more impacted by COVID, including our African American and LatinX populations," said Kathy Fosser, Interim Executive Director at the Kane County Health Department. "Our strategy to protect all of our residents utilizes these mass vax sites, partnerships with other clinical partners and mobile teams."

The site will offer free COVID-19 vaccines to all eligible Illinoisans. As of April 12, all individuals above the age of 16 will be eligible to receive the vaccine. For vaccinations administered at the new Elgin location, registration is required, residents can get appointments by going to www.kanevax.org or by calling 855-4-KaneVax. To find out more about Illinois' efforts to fight the COVID-19 virus, visit **https://coronavirus.illinois.gov/.** Illinois' 900-plus vaccination locations are listed on this site.

This vaccination site will be a partnership between Kane County and the State of Illinois, with National Guard resources. Kane County Health Department will partner with the City of Elgin to manage the site.

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If you need assistance with making an appointment, feel free to call for assistance:
855-4-KANEVAX
855-452-6382
Illinois Vaccine Appointment Call Center: 833-621-1284
Illinois Guidance on COVID-19: 800-889-3931
DPH.SICK@illinois.gov

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For additional information and current updates on the COVID-19 situation, visit the KCHD website at KaneHealth.com or call the health department at 630-208-3801. Non-emergency calls received after working hours will be answered the next business day.

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Vaccine Information: https://www.kanehealth.com/Pages/COVID-Vaccine.aspx
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