

Kane County Distributes Thousands of COVID PPE Supplies to Health Care Facilities, Shelters and School Districts

February 1, 2022 – The Kane County Health Department (KCHD), along with partners from the Kane County Office of Emergency Management and the Kane County Sheriff's Office hosted a mass-PPE (personal protective equipment) distribution event on Friday, January 28 at the Kane County facilities in St. Charles.

In just over six hours, equipment was distributed to 45 facilities, including long-term care centers, homeless shelters, school districts, private schools, dental offices, rehab centers and behavioral health centers. KCHD distributed thousands of individual PPE items including face masks, face shields, and hand sanitizer.

"By distributing large quantities of PPE at the local level to prioritized organizations, we're ultimately increasing the speed and efficiency of the supply chain process and getting critical protection into the hands of staff and vulnerable individuals who need it most," said Emergency Response Supervisor and Public Health Preparedness Program Manager Aaron Stevens. "Throughout the pandemic, our County has excelled at quickly and efficiently distributing enormous amounts of critical materials and life-saving vaccines."

"The Office of Emergency Management and the Kane County Sheriff's Office are glad to continue supporting the Health Department in the fight against COVID-19," said Sean Madison, Director of the Kane County Office of Emergency Management.

This is the latest of multiple distributions organized by Kane County. KCHD staff surveyed all health care facilities, congregate care settings and school districts to determine need, then parceled out supplies for each institution. Kane County is the storehouse for the county's allocation of PPE supplies from the State of Illinois as part of the Strategic National Stockpile program.

For additional information and current updates about COVID-19, visit the KCHD website at KaneHealth.com or call the health department at 630-208-3801.

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