



COVID Vaccinations Top 600,000 in Kane County

September 30, 2021 – The Kane County Health Department (KCHD) reports that more than 600,000 COVID vaccine shots have been administered in Kane County.

According to information from the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH), as of Sept. 29, 600,750 shots have been provided to Kane County residents. 297,081, or 55.61% of Kane’s total population of 534,216 are fully vaccinated.

Of the doses administered, the age group 65 and older has the largest participation rate, at 88.69%, marking Kane as 13th highest county participation rate for that demographic group. Persons aged 18 to 64 follows at 69.72% (6th highest county in the state) and youth aged 12 to 17 trails with 57.83% participation (9th highest county in the state).

“We are pleased that the Kane County Health Department has been a huge part of providing a service for people who want to be vaccinated,” said KCHD Interim Executive Director Kathy Fosser. “We will do our best to continue to provide this service as long as there is a need.”

Yesterday, the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), recommended urgent action to increase COVID vaccination among people who are pregnant, recently pregnant (including those who are lactating), who are trying to become pregnant now, or who might become pregnant in the future. CDC strongly recommends COVID-19 vaccination either before or during pregnancy because the benefits of vaccination outweigh known or potential risks.

According to the CDC, Kane County’s COVID transmission rate is still rated “high” (see [covid.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker/#county-view](https://www.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker/#county-view)).

The Kane Vax Hub at 501 N. Randall Street in Batavia is open Wednesdays from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturdays from 9 a.m. to noon. To schedule an appointment, visit [KaneVax.org](https://www.KaneVax.org). Walk-ins are also welcome. For additional information and current updates about COVID-19, visit the KCHD website at [KaneHealth.com](https://www.KaneHealth.com) or call the health department at 630-208-3801.

Local organizations interested in hosting a community COVID vaccination clinic should contact IDPH at [http://dph.illinois.gov/covid19/vaccinationclinics](https://dph.illinois.gov/covid19/vaccinationclinics). Private businesses, organizations hosting public events, schools/youth serving organizations, racial/ethnic minorities, rural populations, immigrant communities and any other community where the clinic could help overcome barriers to vaccination such as language, disability, technology, or transportation are highly encouraged to apply.

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