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# FREDERICK COUNTY, MARYLAND JOINT INFORMATION CENTER COVID-19



## News Release

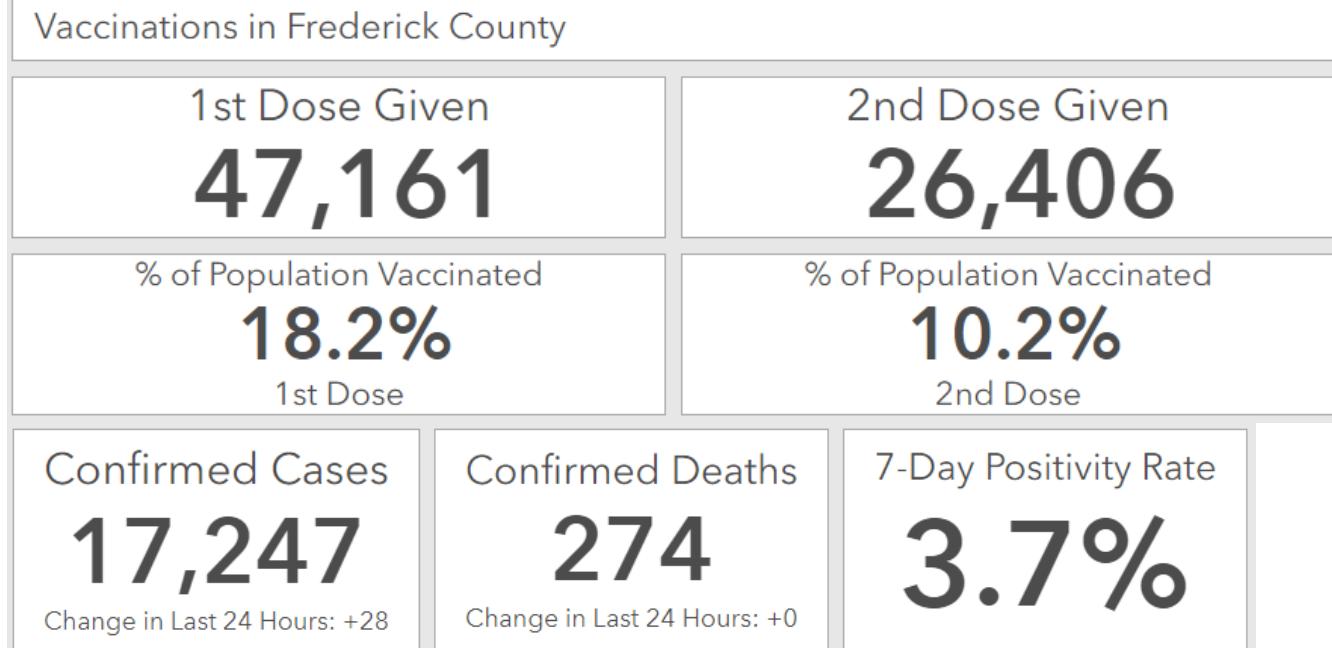
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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

### Frederick County Agency Updates for March 9, 2021

Frederick, MD – March 9, 2021

#### Frederick County Health Department:



Note: The number of doses of vaccine given includes all vaccinators in the county except for CVS/Walgreens vaccinations at nursing home and assisted living facilities. County residents are being vaccinated by vaccinators across the state, which is why the number of people vaccinated exceeds the amount of vaccine the Frederick County Health Department has received.

Please check our dashboard for daily statistics: <http://FrederickCountyMD.gov/COVIDstats>.

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[www.frederickcountymd.gov/JIC](http://www.frederickcountymd.gov/JIC)

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## CDC Update

### When You've Been Fully Vaccinated

COVID-19 vaccines are effective at protecting you from getting sick. Based on what we know about COVID-19 vaccines, people who have been fully vaccinated can start to do some things that they had stopped doing because of the pandemic.

If you've been fully vaccinated, you can:

- Gather indoors with fully vaccinated people without wearing a mask.
- Gather indoors with unvaccinated people from one other household without masks, unless any of those people or anyone they live with is at increased risk for severe illness from COVID-19.



In public you should still wear a mask, stay at least 6 feet apart from others, and avoid crowds and poorly ventilated spaces.

### Frederick County Health Department Is Currently Vaccinating

Frederick County Health Department (FCHD) is vaccinating people who live or work in Frederick County in groups: 1A, 1B and people in 1C in the 65-74 age group, **now vaccinating people born in and before 1949**. Over a 500 educators will be vaccinated this week.

- Process for 65-74 Group: FCHD is currently working to vaccinate people born in or before 1949 who have pre-registered with us through our Vaccine Interest Form on our website. Then we will offer appointments to people born in 1950, and so on down to people 65 years old.
- Process for Educators Group: This week, FCHD will hold one clinic for educators randomly selected from our Vaccine Interest Form list. Another clinic will be held for educators identified by their employers.
  - Pharmacy locations that are part of CDC's Federal Retail Pharmacy Program are now giving priority to school staff and childcare workers for COVID-19 vaccination during the month of March.

**If you have pre-registered with us, we will contact you when we can offer an appointment.** It may be several weeks or longer until you are contacted since it depends on vaccine availability.

**Other vaccinators in the county may be vaccinating all eligible groups in 1A, 1B, and 1C. Please check covidvax.maryland.gov to find a provider near you by zip code.**

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### Update on COVID-19 Vaccine

**20,850** total 1st doses of COVID-19 vaccine received by Frederick County Health Department to date.  
**1,800** 1st doses of COVID-19 vaccine received by Frederick County Health Department this week.

If you were born in 1949 or before, please call 301-600-7900 (English) or 301-600-7905 (Spanish) so that our Vaccination Appointment Line can help you schedule an appointment. It is open Monday – Friday, 8am to 5pm.

### Other Frederick County Agency Updates

Frederick County Animal Control: Free canned dog food is available at Animal Control on Wednesday March 10th from 11:30-2:00 or until it runs out. Limit one case per customer, no requirements. Drive-through distribution at 1832 Rosemont Avenue, Frederick. The available dog food is Kirkland Brand, Nature's Domain Turkey & Pea.



#### Frederick County Office of Economic Development:

Downtown Frederick Partnership's Main Street Small Business Relief Grant Program provides working capital and COVID-19 adaptation support grants to Downtown Frederick retail, restaurant, craft beverage and personal service businesses. The program was created with funding provided by the State of Maryland under Governor Hogan's *Maryland Strong: Economic Recovery Initiative*.

The Partnership has a total of \$251,681 to fund grants to eligible businesses. The Partnership has opted to use \$0 for grant program administration in order to maximize the grants to eligible businesses. In addition to the \$251,681, the Partnership has set aside limited funding to be used to reduce the advertising costs for businesses participating in the 2021 *Get it Downtown* magazine. The Partnership will provide more information on this opportunity later this spring.

Following the grant deadline, the Partnership will review the number of eligible applicants and divide the pool of available funds equally between all eligible businesses. All grant dollars received by eligible businesses must be spent by June 30, 2021.

**Applications are due by 11:59PM on Wednesday, March 24.** See below for grant program guidelines, eligibility requirements and to fill out the online application.

Contact [kara@downtownfrederick.org](mailto:kara@downtownfrederick.org) with any questions. [Read More Here](#).

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Frederick County Public Libraries: Frederick County Public Libraries (FCPL) now offers free public wifi outside of its nine public branches and two bookmobiles. This new service joins an ever-growing number of benefits the library has instituted since the start of the pandemic, including Virtual Programming, Curbside Pickup, Personalized Picks, Wireless Curbside Printing, Learning from Home, and Book Club Bundles.



## Maryland State Updates

**Rumor Control:** The Maryland Emergency Management Agency (MEMA) unveiled a revamped and redesigned rumor control page that will help visitors more easily find accurate information related to the pandemic and COVID-19 vaccinations. It will also allow users to quickly check the accuracy of potential disinformation, misinformation, and rumors. The web address for the new page is [bit.ly/Md-Covid19-Rumors](https://bit.ly/Md-Covid19-Rumors).

Visitors to the site will have three choices. They could click on “Vaccine Rumors” to visit the site’s section addressing rumors and misinformation related specifically to the COVID-19 vaccination. Or, they could click on “Virus Rumors” and visit the area of the site devoted to general SARS-CoV-2 and COVID-19 pandemic rumors. Lastly, they could submit a rumor they have seen or heard by clicking the “Submit a Rumor” button.

### Rumor Categories



## For More Information:

Frederick County residents can call 866-411-6803 to reach our local 211 center with general questions about coronavirus or COVID19. Accurate COVID-19 information is critical to the community. For the most current and accurate information about this situation, please refer to the following:

- City of Frederick: <https://cityoffrederickmd.gov/covid19>
- Frederick County Government: [www.frederickcountymd.gov/Coronavirus](http://www.frederickcountymd.gov/Coronavirus)
- Frederick County Health Department: [health.frederickcountymd.gov/coronavirus](http://health.frederickcountymd.gov/coronavirus)
- Maryland Department of Health (MDH): [coronavirus.maryland.gov](http://coronavirus.maryland.gov)
- Centers for Disease Control (CDC): [coronavirus.gov](http://coronavirus.gov)

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