

Lee County Press Release
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Giddings Public Library: On Tuesday, March 30, 2021, Lee County volunteers and City Officials assisted the National Guard with a 2nd round Moderna vaccination clinic at the Giddings Public Library. Everyone who received their first-round injection four weeks ago was vaccinated.

Giddings Public Library: On Thursday, April 1st, 2021, Lee County and Giddings Officials and volunteers assisted Pieratt's Pharmacy with a 150 Moderna first round shot clinic at the Giddings Public Library. Pharmacist Kevin Rinn and nurses Debbie Vance, Monica Spacek, and Lee Ann Kaufman provided the inoculations over the course of about five hours. The clinic went exceptionally smooth and on April 29 we will ask everyone to return at the same time slots for their second-round injections. This is the third time the library has been used for vaccinations and it appears to be a perfect venue.

Davam Urgent Care: You may have gotten a reverse 911 call on last Thursday announcing that Davam would be giving Moderna 1st round injections over the Easter holidays. Many of you took advantage of this opportunity to get vaccinated without having to take off work.

Lexington Park Building: As of print time this has not been confirmed but we are attempting to secure 200 single shot Johnson & Johnson vaccine doses for a clinic on Tuesday, April 13, 2021 from 3:00 PM to 8 PM at the Lexington Park Building. This will be a come as you are and register at the site event administered by the National Guard for anyone 18 or over. This will be a perfect opportunity for those who work to get vaccinated after normal business hours. When confirmed, we will send a reverse 911 and advertise with postings as well as social media announcements.

La Grange Fairgrounds: On Monday, April 19th the Fayette County Fairgrounds will be the site for the second round Moderna vaccination clinic. Lee County volunteers will assist just as we did with the first clinic.

Scott & White Hospital, Temple, Texas: Last week, I was at Scott & White Clinic at their main hospital campus in Temple with a family member. I asked an attending physician about the effectiveness of the ongoing vaccinations. He replied that they had been tracking coronavirus infection rates among their staff. He noted that almost all personnel at that campus were vaccinated at the same time and they saw dramatic decreases in their infection rates. He said, "It works."

Enough Doses for Everyone: With the allocation of larger doses of vaccine as well as the availability of the new one-shot Johnson & Johnson vaccine, there will soon be enough vaccine for everyone. We are encouraging everyone who wants to be vaccinated to contact the call center at 866-212-1502 to be directed to a shot clinic.

I can't stress enough how everyone in Lee County is working together to beat this virus. Our call center volunteers have done an exceptional job scheduling appointments and working with civic organizations to provide support to volunteers and members of the National Guard.