



## INFORMATIONAL MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Community Services & Safety Committee  
**FROM:** Jay C. Wittwer, Fire Chief  
Norm Golden, Deputy Chief  
**BY:** Jay C. Wittwer, Fire Chief  
**CC:** Allan Ekberg, Mayor, David Cline, City Administrator  
**DATE:** 02/23/2021  
**SUBJECT:** Update regarding Testing and Vaccinations for Covid-19

### **CURRENT STATUS**

The Fire Department is reporting out on the current status with the COVID-19 testing site in Tukwila and the mobile vaccination processes. The attached is a powerpoint presentation that will guide the discussion.

### **DISCUSSION**

- A. The Tukwila Fire Department has taken part in the management of the Covid Testing Site at The Church by The Side Of The Road since early October 2020.
- B. We have provided a site manager and off duty employees (firefighters) to staff the swabbing positions for the testing site.
- C. We plan to continue with like support for the time that the King County Public Health testing site will remain open.
- D. The same support is now under way regarding the Mobile Vaccination Team efforts for the City of Tukwila.
- E. The Fire Department has worked diligently in partnership with our regional partners to assist with both programs. More details will be discussed during the presentation.

### **FINANCIAL IMPACT**

Fire Department personnel that are involved with the project are doing so much of the time on their off time from their regular duties. They are compensated with overtime, this will be applied to their regular bi-monthly pay processes and reimbursed by King County Health. Our COVID-19 Site Manager has been assigned to a day shift and the Cover position is compensated in a like fashion as noted above.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

The presentation is for discussion only.

### **ATTACHMENTS**

- 2021 March COVID-19 Presentation





Community Services and Safety  
Committee  
City of Tukwila City Council

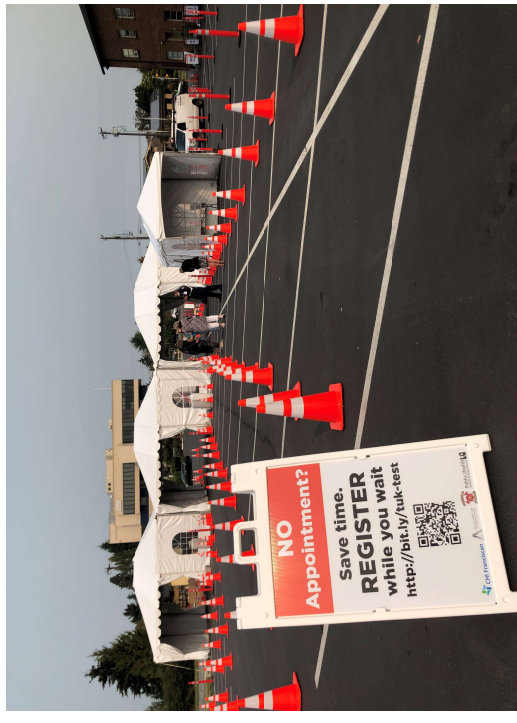
# Tukwila Fire Department

## COVID-19 Updates

March 1, 2021

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# Covid-19 Testing in Tukwila



COVID-19 Testing site

Church By The Side of The Road

Oct 2020 to date

High of 900 + tests per day in Dec 2020 to a low of 127 in Feb 2021

Future – uncertain, yet at least to the end of April 2021

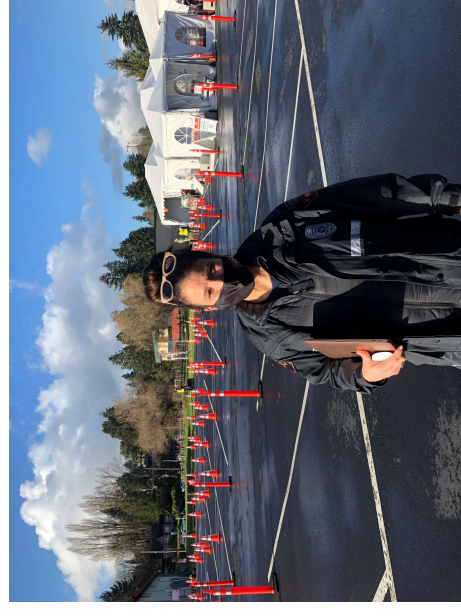
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# Vaccination Delivery



Vaccine delivery to the Tukwila Community.

Tukwila Fire Department is an approved agency through King County Health to deliver Vaccines via Mobile Vaccination Teams (MVTs)

Emergency Medical Technicians (EMTs) are approved County wide to deliver these injections

MVTs will have off-duty Firefighters/EMTs making up the three-person teams

Overtime will be reimbursed by King County Health

March 1, 2021 is the projected start date

Outreach to the community – A master list has been started and connections have been made

Locations will be prioritized by population and needs

Mobile Teams to deliver the vaccines

Supply of the vaccine is the determining factor of how quickly the vaccine will be delivered

These efforts by the Fire Department will bring vaccines into the community 60-90 days earlier than what King County had planned for a smaller community such as Tukwila

Questions?

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# References



<https://www.kingcounty.gov/search.aspx?utf8=%E2%9C%93&q=covid-19>

<https://kingcounty.gov/depts/health/covid-19/testing.aspx>

<https://kingcounty.gov/depts/health/covid-19/vaccine.aspx>