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County of Orange Launches ‘Operation Independence’ to Vaccinate Residents

LA PALMA, Calif. – The County of Orange, together with the Orange County fire services, has launched an effort named “Operation Independence” to complete all vaccinations by July 4, 2021. Vaccines are being given to the public in a phased, tiered approach. The County has established regional vaccine Super Points-of-Dispensing, known as Super PODs, which will allow them to vaccinate thousands of residents and workers each day. The County opened its first Super POD site at Disneyland on Wednesday, January 13, 2021, with approximately 3,000 individuals receiving vaccinations on opening day.

Individuals 65 years of age or older have the option of getting vaccinated at a Super POD site or alternate sites specifically targeting this population. The County is working in collaboration with community partners to create a process that reaches seniors close to home and best serves these individuals. Vaccinations are by appointment only, which can be scheduled in advance by visiting www.othena.com. The success of the County’s vaccination efforts depend on everyone being patient and allow priority groups to be vaccinated first.

The City of La Palma would like to remind its residents the importance of wearing a face covering when in public, staying at least six feet from others, and washing hands frequently to slow the spread of COVID-19.

For additional information about COVID-19 and vaccines, please visit occovid19.ochealthinfo.com.

About the City of La Palma

Ranked by Money Magazine in 2007, 2011, 2013, and 2015 as one of America’s Best Places to Live, the City of La Palma is a 1.9 square mile general law city in northwest Orange County, consisting of 15,568 residents and approximately 350 commercial and industrial businesses. The City was incorporated in 1955 under the name of Dairyland and has 53 full-time and 35 part-time employees.

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