



THIS IS WHAT VACCINE EQUITY LOOKS LIKE

COVID-19 IMPACT REPORT

St. John's
Well Child & Family Center

KEEPING
South Los Angeles
SAFE

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ENDING THE PANDEMIC IN SOUTH LA

(and East LA, and Central LA)

COVID-19 exposed the raw reality of health disparities.

Family members dying, mothers and fathers losing their jobs, people losing their homes, students unable to learn remotely – these issues greatly impacted Black and Brown communities, yet were barely acknowledged in the media. Most of their stories were never told.

But thanks to cutting-edge research and biotechnology, scientists accomplished the unimaginable: the creation of safe, effective vaccines within less than one year! As the largest health provider in South LA, we knew the role we had to play to end the pandemic as quickly as possible. We purchased ultra-low temperature freezers so we could store the vaccine. We demanded and advocated for vaccine inventory in the earliest days of the vaccination effort. As a result, South LA was one of the first communities where vaccination began. Steadily, we opened more and more vaccine sites, secured more and more vaccine doses, did extensive outreach and education to low-income families, leaned on our deep community partnerships, purchased a significant media buy, and immersed ourselves in vaccination.

And it worked. We vaccinated a significant percentage of the South LA and Compton populations, and substantial percentages of people who live in East and Central Los Angeles as well. By April, we were vaccinating over 25,000 people a week at 24 vaccination sites.

St. John's has administered more vaccines than any other Community Health Center in the country: 266,747 and counting. This is what vaccine equity looks like. This is what community health looks like.

And we won't stop until every low-income family in Los Angeles is vaccinated and able to return to their lives – raising their children, doing the essential work we all depend on, and loving their families and friends.

In Equity and Justice,



Jim Mangia, MPH
President & Chief Executive Officer



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**Moderna
COVID-19
Vaccine**

Suspension for
Intramuscular Injection
For use under
Emergency Use Authorization

Multiple-dose vial
(10 doses of 0.5 mL)

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OUR COMMITMENT

At every turn, the COVID-19 pandemic has disproportionately impacted low-income people and communities of color. And at every turn, St. John's has risen to the challenge, launching massive testing and contact tracing programs, services for the homeless, and life-saving monoclonal antibody infusion treatments. Our commitment to vaccinating the communities we serve has been no different. We kept vigilant watch on the vaccine development and approval timeline, determined that South LA would not be left behind. We inserted ourselves in all levels of conversation related to the vaccine - ensuring that the failure to adequately provide COVID-19 resources for Black and Brown communities at the outset of the pandemic was not repeated.





THE FIRST DOSES

On December 28, 2020, we began vaccinating our front line staff: doctors, nurses, medical assistants, receptionists, security guards – everyone who interacted with patients. In 2021, in partnership with the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health, we expanded to vaccinating healthcare workers from clinics and hospitals across the county, then the elderly, then essential workers. Operating just a few vaccine PODs (Points of Distribution) to start, St. John's invited each new wave of eligible people to get vaccinated. Together with trusted community leaders and organizations, we reached out through local media to assure South LA residents that the vaccines were safe and effective, combatting rampant misinformation regarding the vaccines.







SCALING UP

St. John's staff worked around the clock to figure out how to roll out the vaccine to underserved communities while perfecting the complex logistics required to store, schedule, prepare, transport and administer the vaccines without wasting a dose. At the start of January 2021, we were operating four clinic PODs administering 435 doses per day. By the end of the month, we had established PODs at seven clinics administering 1,052 doses daily. With every passing week, St. John's exceeded its previous numbers. By the end of February, we had expanded to ten PODs administering 7,000 doses per week. By the end of April, 24 sites administering 25,000 doses per week. A critical partnership with the Los Angeles Unified School District resulted in opening four large school-based vaccination sites. A partnership with Compton Unified produced a drive-through site at Clinton Elementary School which was one of the earliest community vaccine sites. By the end of May, St. John's will have administered a whopping total of 266,747 doses. And we are not done scaling up.

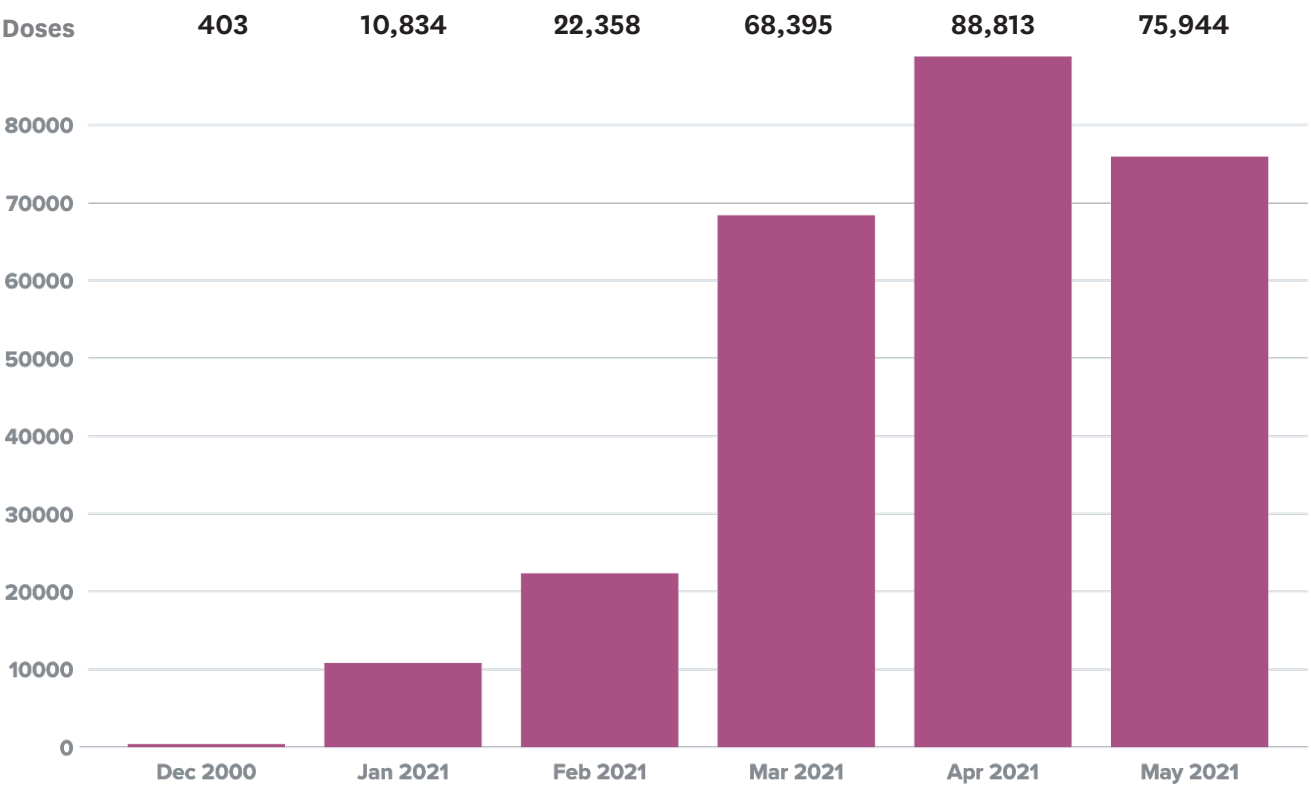




COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

In the race to vaccinate as many people as possible before COVID variants outstrip the vaccines, the need to exponentially increase access to vaccination in all under-served areas of LA County is paramount. Together with Service Employees International Union Local 2015 (SEIU Local 2015), East Valley Community Health Center, El Proyecto del Barrio, Esperanza Community Housing, JWCH Institute, South Central Family Health Center, TCC Family Health in Long Beach, and Venice Family Clinic, St. John's launched the Vaccine Equity Pilot program. The pilot combines: vaccine outreach and education; a vaccine appointment call center; expansion of PODs at each health center; and pop-up PODs co-hosted with SEIU 2015 to vaccinate home healthcare workers and their clients. Additional pop-up vaccine events were coordinated with local officials, additional public schools, the LA County Federation of Labor (which vaccinated thousands of frontline and essential workers), and community sites such as shelters, public housing, and churches.

BY THE NUMBERS



NUMBER OF VACCINE SITES BY MONTH

DECEMBER 2020:	1 SITE
JANUARY 2021:	7 SITES
FEBRUARY 2021:	11 SITES
MARCH 2021:	22 SITES
APRIL 2021:	24 SITES
MAY 2021:	26 SITES

VACCINE PARTNERS

SCHOOLS

Compton Community College District
Compton Unified School District
Green Dot Public Schools
Los Angeles Unified School District
Lynwood Unified School District

CHURCHES

Greater Bethel Cathedral
Holy Name of Jesus Catholic Church
Iglesia de Restauración
Mount Moriah Baptist Church
Nativity Catholic Church
New Mt. Calvary Baptist Church
Normandie Church of Christ
Our Lady Queen of Angels / La Placita Catholic Church
Presentation of Mary Catholic Church
Rosewood Methodist Church
Santa Cecilia Catholic Church
Southern Christian Leadership Conference
St. Brigid Catholic Church
St. Patrick's Catholic Church

AGENCIES & BUSINESSES

AAJC - Asian Americans Advancing Justice
APAIT
ARC - Anti Recidivism Coalition
Bienestar
Bresee Foundation
CARECEN - Central American Resource Center - Los Angeles
CHIRLA - The Coalition for Humane Immigrant Rights Los Angeles
CIE Manufacturing
CIELO - Comunidades Indígenas en Liderazgo
Clare|Matrix
East Los Angeles Civic Center
East Valley Community Health Center
El Proyecto del Barrio
Esperanza Community Housing Corporation
ICS - Inner City Struggle
JWCH Institute
KIWA - Koreatown Immigrant Workers Alliance
LCS - Labor Community Services Los Angeles
Los Angeles County Department of Public Health
ONE LA-IAF - ONE LA Industrial Areas Foundation
South Central Family Health Center
SSG (Special Service for Groups)
Stop The Spread
TCC Family Health
The People Concern
The TransLatin@ Coalition
TransLatina Coalition
Unique Woman's Coalition
Venice Family Clinic
Watts Labor Community Action Committee

LABOR UNIONS

IATSE
IBEW Local 11
IBEW Local 18
IBEW Local 45
LA/OC Building Trades Council
LCLAA - The Labor Council for Latin American Advancement
Los Angeles County Federation of Labor, AFL-CIO
Painters DC 36
SEIU 2015
SEIU Local 1000
SEIU Local 721
SEIU USWW
Teamsters 396
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UWUA 132

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To make the vaccine accessible to underserved communities, St. John's and our partners reached out to the philanthropic community and they responded without hesitation. Their financial support has been essential to this ambitious vaccination campaign. We, and our partners, are very grateful for their commitment.

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Compton, CA 90222

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Compton, CA 90221

MOBILE HEALTH

4 Mobile Units
Multiple locations in
South Los Angeles and Compton

“We’re also supplying vaccines to community health centers to reach those who have been the hardest hit — the hardest hit — and suffered the most, especially Black, Latino, Native American, and rural communities. This is really important — because we believe that speed and efficiency must be matched with fairness and equity.”


PRESIDENT JOSEPH R. BIDEN

“Community Health Organizations are some of the most successful in getting communities of color vaccinated. More so than some pharmacies.... These sites are trusted in the community.”

VICE PRESIDENT KAMALA HARRIS



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