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***Kern County launches transportation service to  
Kern County Fairgrounds Mass Vaccination Clinic***

Kern County is launching a ride service to the County Fairgrounds Mass Vaccination Clinic to break down barriers for residents who lack access to transportation. This program was kickstarted by a generous donation of \$10,000 from the Lee and Krystyna Jamieson Foundation.

Aging and Adult Services is spearheading this effort to ensure everyone eligible for the vaccine has a means to get to their appointment. Residents can call **(661) 868-7090** to schedule a ride. Aging and Adult Services will set up the resident's appointment time at the fairgrounds in congruence with their transportation appointment. Some items to note:

- Residents requesting transportation must be eligible to be vaccinated in accordance with the State's tiered system.
- This service will be able to transport those with access and functional needs disabilities, however not those who are bed bound or require gurney transport.
- The ride will include others in need of transportation but will have appropriate distancing and require the use of face masks. Each vehicle will be sanitized frequently, as well.
- A caregiver may accompany a rider who needs assistance even if they are not eligible for the vaccine.
- Rides will likely not be same day and availability will increase with demand.

Currently, residents who are healthcare workers, 65 years of age or older, education and childcare workers, emergency services workers, and food and agriculture workers are eligible to be vaccinated. To make your appointment, please visit [MyTurn.ca.gov](https://MyTurn.ca.gov) or call (833) 422-4255. However, anyone can register on MyTurn to get notified when they're eligible to make an appointment for the COVID-19 vaccine. MyTurn users will receive a notification that appointments are available and they can register for both first and second dose appointments.

The MyTurn call center is utilizing Language Line to serve residents in more than 150 languages, and the registration portal includes the following languages:

- Chinese (Simplified)
- Tagalog
- Korean
- Chinese (Traditional)
- Arabic
- Vietnamese
- Spanish

For additional questions, please contact Ally Triolo at (661) 308-6805.

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