



Lake County Funders Call

Wednesday, January 12, 2022

11:00 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.

Participants

Jeanne Ang, Advocate Health
Frank Baiocchi, Hunter Family Foundation
Angela Baran, Healthcare Foundation of
Northern Lake County
Jenna Beltrano, Julian Grace Foundation
Angela Bentsen, AgeGuide
Mara Botman, Circle of Service Foundation
Bruce Boyd, Arabella Advisors
Cindy Camacho, Julian Grace Foundation
Damon Coleman, Lake County Govt
Kevin Considine, Lake County Partners
Molly Cullum, The John & Kathleen Schreiber
Foundation
Courtney Combs, The Lake County Community
Foundation
Kevin Considine, Lake County Partners
Kate Grundin, AbbVie
Cassandra Hiller, Lake County Health
Department
Anne King, Northwestern Lake Forest Hospital

Alison Lopez, Julian Grace Foundation
Carlette McMullan, William Blair
Gail Nelson, Steans Family Foundation
Leah Perri, The Lake County Community
Foundation
Taryn Placko, Advocate Charitable Foundation,
Condell Medical Center
Anne Posner, RRF Foundation for Aging
Cheri Richardson, Gorter Family Foundation
Heather Sannes, The John & Kathleen Schreiber
Foundation
Quinton Snodgrass, United Way
Dimitra Tasiouras, Circle of Service Foundation
Emily Weber, The Lake County Community
Foundation
Anna Yankelev, Lake County Health Department
Bethany Williams, Lake County Partners
Julia Wold, Grainger Foundation
Pat Yuzawa, Circle of Service Foundation

Welcome & Call Goals

Emily Weber, Director of Programs and Community Investment for The Lake County Community Foundation, thanked participants for joining the call and noted the goals for the conversation were to:

- Hear updates on the state of Lake County and how our health and human service providers are responding
- Learn about the work of Lake County Partners (LCP) on Lake County's 2021 Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS)

State of Lake County – Anna Yankelev, Lake County Health Department

- **As of January 4, 2022, Lake County has had over 91,490 confirmed COVID-19 cases and 1,158 deaths.** Over 2.1 million tests have been administered. Lake County's recovery rate is at 98.5 percent.
 - Data hub: <https://covid19response-lakecountyil.hub.arcgis.com/>
- **As January 1, 2022, the Region 9 positivity rate is 16.6% (Lake 15.9%) (McHenry 19.2%).** Region 9 has had 8 days of increases in COVID-19 patients and ICU bed availability is at 15%.
 - Region 9 Data: <https://dph.illinois.gov/covid19/data/region-metrics.html?regionID=9>
- **In total, over 1,132,200 doses of the COVID-19 vaccine have been administered to Lake County residents.** Over 453,100 of our residents, or 64% of our population are fully vaccinated. Over 97% of our 65 and older population and 78% of our population age 18-64 have received at least one dose.
 - Vaccination data: <https://dph.illinois.gov/covid19/vaccine/vaccine-data.html?county=Lake>
- **On December 27, 2021 the CDC updated guidance around quarantine and isolation for those who have tested positive or been exposed to COVID-19. IDPH adopted the updated guidance for the general public. This guidance does not apply for healthcare workers, school and daycare staff and students, and those who work or live in congregate settings. [Further guidance for these special groups will be updated by CDC and IDPH over the next several weeks.](#)**
 - People who test positive for COVID-19 should:
 - Stay home and isolate alone and away from others for at least five days after testing positive. This is reduced from a 10-day isolation.
 - If you do not have symptoms five days after your positive test, you can leave isolation, but should continue to wear a well-fitting mask around others for an additional five days.
 - If you still have symptoms after isolating for five days, you should stay home until symptoms resolve.
 - People who are exposed to COVID-19
 - Who are unvaccinated or eligible to receive a booster and have not yet done so should:
 - Quarantine alone and away from others for five days.
 - After a five-day quarantine period, you should wear a mask around others for five additional days, and get tested for COVID-19.
 - Who have been boosted, or have been fully vaccinated and are not yet eligible to be boosted should:
 - Wear a mask around others for 10 days, but you need not quarantine unless you develop symptoms.
 - Read the media statement on updated quarantine: <https://www.cdc.gov/media/releases/2021/s1227-isolation-quarantine-guidance.html>
 - Newly released guidance for schools prek-12:
 - [Revised Public Health Guidance for Schools](#)
 - [Frequently Asked Questions \(FAQs\) for Schools](#)
 - [EXECUTIVE ORDER 2022-03 \(COVID-19 EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 98\)](#)

- **On January 3, 2022 the FDA amended the emergency use authorization (EUA), now authorizing individuals ages 12 and older to receive a booster of the Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine.**
 - The amended EUA also shortens the time between completion of the primary vaccination series and a booster to 5 months. Additionally, the EUA now allows for a third primary series dose for certain immunocompromised children 5 through 11 years of age. On January 4, 2022 the CDC adopted both of these changes.
 - Read the CDC statement here
<https://www.cdc.gov/media/releases/2022/s0104-Pfizer-Booster.html?fbclid=IwAR2kb7W2Z3JwpUXqomQYRQXSdqXNrMFctP7-CdS-ShWwM3LU4Ek1p-N74f0>
 - The CDC has not yet adopted the portion of this change that pertains to 12-15 year old boosters but it is anticipated to do so shortly. Once adopted, the COVID-19 Pfizer booster will be accessible to these new groups.
 - Read the statement here: <https://www.fda.gov/news-events/press-announcements/coronavirus-covid-19-update-fda-takes-multiple-actions-expand-use-pfizer-biontech-covid-19-vaccine>
 - Learn more about booster shot recommendations and timing here: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/booster-shot.html>
- **Lake County was recently featured in a CDC Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report on the evaluation of the Test to Stay Strategy.**
 - Implementation of the Test to Stay (TTS) strategy allowed students, and staff who were not fully vaccinated to remain in school after being exposed to COVID-19 if they remained asymptomatic, practiced consistent mask wearing, maintained physical distancing, obtained parental consent, and underwent SARS-CoV-2 testing at school or off campus on days 1, 3, 5, and 7 after exposure
 - During the 12-week evaluation period, the secondary attack risk among TTS participants was 1.5% and TTS saved up to 8,152 in-person learning days. Although 1,035 close contacts remained in-person at school after a COVID-19 exposure, there was no further spread in the schools. This report demonstrates the importance of layered mitigation in reducing the spread of COVID-19.
 - We are grateful to all the school nurses and administration, students, and parents that have helped us successfully implement the Test to Stay program.
 - The MMWR featuring the Lake County Health Department and Lake County Schools can be found at <https://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/volumes/70/wr/mm705152e2.htm>.
 - Read the press release on Test to Stay at <https://content.govdelivery.com/accounts/ILLAKE/bulletins/3018041>
- **It was recently announced that all Illinois Community-Based State Run testing sites will be open for testing and adult COVID-19 vaccinations 6 days a week.**
 - This includes both the site in Waukegan on Water St. and in Arlington Heights at the Arlington Racetrack.
 - Sites will be open from Monday through Saturday from 8 am through 4 pm.
 - Visit the IDPH webpage for more information at <https://dph.illinois.gov/covid19/testing.html>

- **Vaccination remains the best path forward to end the COVID-19 pandemic. Our Health Department encourages people to explore their options for COVID-19 vaccination.** The sooner we all get vaccinated, the sooner we can put an end to the pandemic.
- As a reminder, appointments are available on AllVax or by walking up to the site. The Health Department is currently providing first and second doses as well as a limited number of booster appointments at the following locations:
 - Grand Avenue Health Center (3010 Grand Avenue in Waukegan), Belvidere Medical Building (2400 Belvidere Road in Waukegan), Midlakes Health Clinic (224 W. Clarendon Drive in Round Lake Beach), North Shore Health Center (1840 Green Bay Road in Highland Park), and Zion Health Center (1191 27th Street in Zion)
 - Appointments are available on AllVax, allvax.lakecohealth.org. Community members with additional questions should call (847) 377-8130.
 - We encourage residents to explore their options for vaccination at pharmacies, healthcare providers, and mobile clinics throughout Lake County. Visit <https://www.vaccinefinder.org> for a location near you.
- **You can also get vaccinated at any of our mobile vaccination clinics!** Community Health Workers are also on site to answer questions about the vaccine and offer health education and resources. Mobile sites have begun offering vaccines to 5-11-year-olds.
- **We have seen a leveling of the uptake of 5–11-year-old vaccinations in recent weeks** and only 40.15% have received their first dose and only 30.48% are fully vaccinated. We are advocating for more parents to get their children vaccinated so they remain in school.
 - For the weekly mobile vaccination clinic schedule, make sure that you are following the Health Department on social media. We post updated mobile vaccination clinic schedules weekly on our social media pages and on the mobile clinics page.
 - Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/healthdepartment/>
 - To sign up for an appointment at a mobile vaccination clinic, visit <https://www.vaccinefinder.org>. All sites are walk-in friendly.
 - **If your organization would like to host a mobile pop-up vaccination event or include vaccinations at your upcoming event (including fairs, farmers markets, back to school events), please register here:** <http://www.dph.illinois.gov/covid19/vaccinationclinics>
 - If you would like to have Community Health Workers ONLY at your event to provide health education and outreach (NOT vaccinations), please contact Candace Browdy cbrowdy@lakecountyil.gov
 - Help recruit Community Health Workers to support community-based outreach, education, and vaccination. Apply here: <https://www.LCHDcareers.com/jobs>
 - The key points, chat files, and audio recordings are posted to the Health Department’s website. <https://www.lakecountyil.gov/4428/Conference-Calls>
 - **Make sure you are subscribed to our email newsletters for updates** (English: <http://bit.ly/lccovid-19>, Spanish: <https://bit.ly/lccovid-19-es>).

Q & A

Giving to Lake County Crisis Relief efforts:

Lake County Community Foundation’s Crisis Relief Fund is permanent and will be used for future county-wide emergencies. United Way also has a crisis fund but it is not a permanent fund for emergencies.

Where are we seeing as the greatest need in the community right now?

Mental health is continuing to be a huge priority. LCCF's Basic Human Needs and Crisis Relief grant cycles will be focusing heavily on mental health support in the county.

Lake County's 2021 Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) – Kevin Considine, LCP's President & CEO, and Bethany Williams, LCP's Director of Strategy & Intelligence

Lake County Partners has convened business, education, workforce development and civic leaders to collaboratively align economic priorities across the region. The 2021 Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) is an action-oriented, five-year economic development strategy that builds on existing efforts and spotlights what's needed to achieve economic prosperity in Lake County. A CEDS is important both as a planning tool, but also because it can help leverage federal funding streams to meet economic development goals.

- **Community engagement priorities** – Growth & housing units across breadth of affordability and early childhood education.
- Some of the most impactful economic investments you can make are in early childhood education but it take decades to pay off, but a ton of research shows this:
- Research shows that BIPOC communities benefit when money is invested specifically in early childhood development and workforce development.
- Pandemic is affecting where people are choosing to live. Can you have a vibrant economy if your population is not growing? The answer is no. How do we think about elements of growth in Lake County to remain competitive?
- How do we increase college-going with BIPOC communities?
 - If high schools that serve BIPOC communities sent youth of color to college at the same rate white-serving high schools did, that would be an increase of 4500 college students a year out of Lake County. Research shows students of color are staying in Lake County. We need to maximize our homegrown talent for college completion (including trades too).
- How to get involved page:
 - Review CEDS Draft here: https://www.lakecountypartners.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/01/2022-01-10-Lake-County-CEDS_DRAFT-FOR-PUBLIC-COMMENT.pdf
 - Share your thoughts/comments here (please scroll to bottom of the page): <https://www.lakecountypartners.com/CEDS/>

Next Lake County Funders Call - 11 a.m. on Wednesday, February 9th

Speaker: Illinois Partners for Human Service will present information about rebuilding the Illinois health and human services workforce in the wake of COVID