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RTD Partners with Kaiser Permanente to Fight COVID-19

Stockton, CA—San Joaquin Regional Transit District (RTD) is excited to continue its ongoing partnership with healthcare provider Kaiser Permanente by providing free rides to the Stockton Arena in support of the mass vaccination site that opened April 7. To reach the general public within a 50-mile area, the mass clinic will be open seven days a week and be able to administer 5,400 doses per day.

The Stockton Arena site is part of a joint effort aimed at expanding access to COVID-19 vaccine throughout the state, especially in communities that have been hard-hit by the pandemic. The Arena was chosen because surrounding communities have some of the highest rates of COVID-19 infection in the state and yet are among the lowest in vaccination rates.

"This vaccination site is critical for the health and safety of our whole community," says Corwin Harper, Senior Vice President and Area Manager for Kaiser Permanente Central Valley Area. "Kaiser Permanente appreciates RTD's efforts to provide transportation to those in need, expanding opportunities for vaccine access in the region that will help move us forward in our collective fight to curb this pandemic."

"This is a great location because the Arena is very accessible," said Board Chair Michael Restuccia. "We are committed to removing transportation barriers for the residents of San Joaquin County because the health and safety of our community is RTD's top priority."

The Stockton Arena is located along Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Route 40, which is accessible by any RTD route. As RTD's most frequent route, it runs on weekdays every 15 minutes at peak time, every 20 minutes off peak, and every 30 minutes on weekends. To ride free, book your COVID-19 vaccine appointment at <https://myturn.ca.gov> then show your appointment confirmation on a print out or on your phone to the operator when boarding.

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