

The Campaign For UC San Diego

At the University of California San Diego, challenging convention is our most cherished tradition. Through the Campaign for UC San Diego — our university-wide comprehensive fundraising effort concluding in 2022 — we are enhancing student support, ensuring student success, transforming our campus, connecting our community, and redefining medicine and health care on a global scale.



COVID-19 Vaccine Response Fund

Accelerating San Diego's efforts to combat COVID-19

The beginning of the end of the pandemic starts now.

Since the first case of SARS-CoV-2 arrived in San Diego, UC San Diego Health has been at the forefront of caring for our community and our world — from our leading-edge Return to Learn program to the region's first vaccination superstation. And as new vaccines become available and are rolled out around the world, we have the opportunity to find equitable ways to protect everyone in San Diego and beyond.

In times like this, it takes heart, courage and boldness to rise to the occasion — especially in California, at one time home to nearly one in 10 COVID-19 cases in the U.S. We confronted a new disease, but unlike any point before, we utilized the technology, the knowledge and the ability to rise up and meet that challenge, together.

Our dedication to maintaining the health of our community requires an unprecedented collaboration — across our campus, community, country and world. Broadening our work — particularly expanding our capacity to deliver vaccines to more people — requires additional vaccine doses for distribution, especially for the most vulnerable: seniors, veterans and medically underserved communities.

Our goal? To join friends and loved ones together again. Increasing vaccination rates will bring our community back to classrooms, back to the workplace, and back to connecting in person, face-to-face.

513,000+

Vaccinations administered between December 2020 and June 2021 (first and second doses)

882,000+

Total COVID-19 diagnostic tests conducted to date

1st

Vaccination superstation in San Diego County

6,071

Record number of vaccinations given in a single day

Continue the nontradition.

COVID-19 Vaccine Response Fund Priorities

As one of the premier health care systems in the United States and the only academic hospital in San Diego, our community counts on us. Philanthropy is critical to accelerating our efforts to distribute vaccinations across our region and ensuring that every member of our community has the opportunity for access. But we can't do it alone. We invite you to join our bold effort.

Improving equity

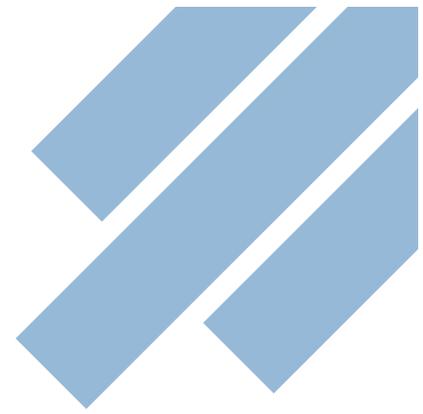
People of color and patients with disabilities face a number of obstacles to vaccination. UC San Diego Health seeks to **increase equitable distribution of the COVID-19 vaccine** for both UC San Diego Health patients and San Diego County residents by removing physical barriers to access, providing safe and reliable transportation to vaccine sites, connecting people with support services, and increasing community outreach.

Ensuring access

Perhaps one of the most saddening aspects of COVID-19 is the reality that it disproportionately affects vulnerable communities. A key tenet of our efforts is **improving access to vaccines for our entire region**, especially our most at-risk neighbors: seniors, veterans and medically underserved populations. With our mobile clinics we can get to those who need vaccines the most — and the people who are least able to travel to vaccination sites.

Increasing capacity

Our successful efforts to **build capacity to distribute vaccines** across the county, including launching the county's first vaccination superstation at Petco Park and then another on campus at RIMAC Arena — offered a proven model for efficient mass vaccinations. Now with more than 75 percent of county residents over age 12 having been vaccinated, our ongoing outreach efforts, volunteer recruitment and securing necessary supplies will ensure we continue to have the infrastructure in place to vaccinate every eligible individual who schedules an appointment and are able to share our system with others worldwide.



Help us continue the nontradition.

With your help, UC San Diego will continue to lead our region's efforts to combat the coronavirus pandemic by providing access to vaccinations for medically underserved populations and those still unvaccinated.

Together with your philanthropic support of the **COVID-19 Vaccine Response Fund**, we can bring San Diego, and our world, one step closer to being able to experience life together again.

Learn more:
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