# Washoe COVID-19 Regional Information Center (RIC)



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- Established in March of 2020
  - Ensure <u>ALL</u> residents of Washoe County have access to critical pandemic related information
  - Build community trust in regional COVID-19 response efforts
  - Ensure access to timely and accurate COVID-19 vaccine related information
  - Facilitate communications resources among regional government entities, health partners, media, and regional stakeholders
- Washoe County, City of Reno, City of Sparks, Washoe County Health District and 22 additional regional stakeholders









# 2.1M Page Views







# 94 Media Briefings







# 460 Press Releases





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Residents urged to fill out screening questionnaire before COVID-19 vaccine appointment at Livestock Events Center

Failure to submit questionnaire day prior to appointment could result in delays

April 12, 2021. Reno/Sparks, NV — The Regional COVID-19 Response Team is urging residents who receive the COVID-19 vaccine at the Reno-Sparks (Uestock Events Center (RSLEC) to fill out the screening questionnaire the day prior to your appointment.

The link to fill out the questionnaire only takes a few minutes and is emailed and texted to residents who sign up for a vaccine at RSLEC.

Residents are also asked to bring their confirmation email with the QR code on it by either printing it out or having it available on your smart phone. A QR code is a square, secure bar code that is located on the appointment confirmation email you receive after you schedule an appointment.

Filling out the questionnaire beforehand could speed up the time it takes to receive the vaccine by 20-30 minutes.

"We cannot overstate the importance of filling out your COVID-19 screening questionnaire in advance and having your QR code ready," said lames English, Regional Operations Chief for COVID-19 Response & Vaccine Deployment. "This speeds up our operation tremendously and gets you in an out of the vaccine site faster. We take great pride in offering a safe and quick vaccine process for residents and it's critical that members of the public accomplish these tasks beforehand."

COVID-19 vaccine appointments at RSLEC are available the week of April 19 and can be scheduled here. You must have an appointment to receive the vaccine. Check out other providers in Washoe County who are administering the vaccine at this link.

When you schedule your vaccine at the RSLEC, you will receive an email and text about 22 hours prior to your appointment time. Please note that email will come from the State of Nevada and not the Health District because the software was provided by the State of Nevada.

# 4,576 **Twitter Followers** 5.5M **Impressions**



# 30,000 Newsletter Subscribers

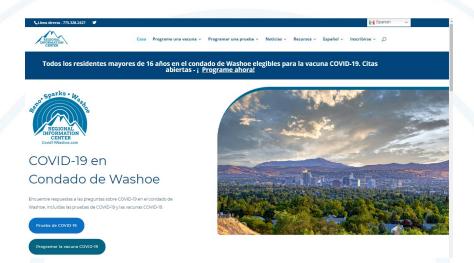




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## Information Accessibility

- Materials and outreach in Spanish
- Sign Language Interpreter and Closed Captioning when available





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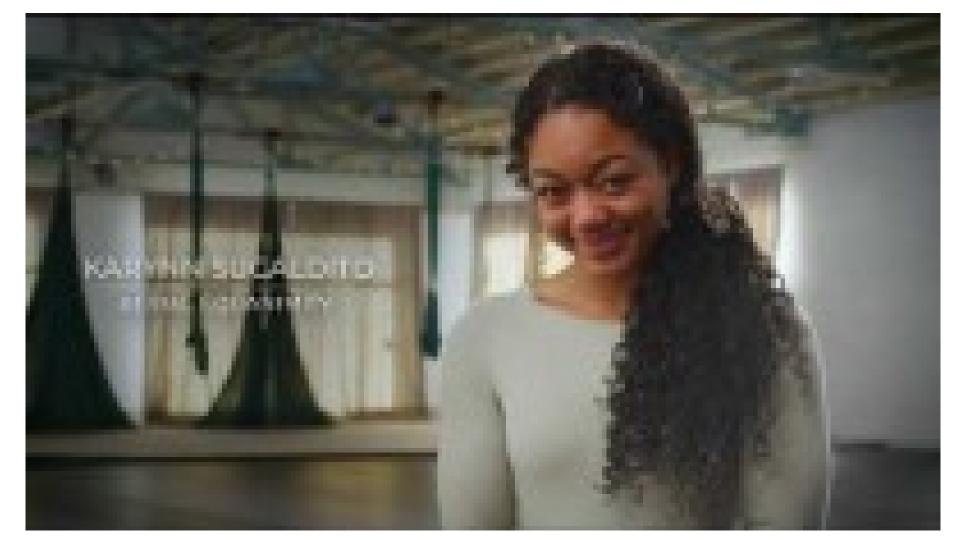
## PONGAMOS DE NUESTRA PARTE

- Regional campaign to decelerate the spread of COVID-19 in Washoe County
- Focused messaging for LatinX, College Students/Millenials, Residents 65 and older, and Essential Employees and Business Owners
- Partnered with KPS3, BVK, and IC Media Strategies

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### **CAMPAIGN OVERVIEW VIDEO**



#### **Mask On Move Forward**

- Shifting focus to COVID-19 Vaccines
  - Continued Public Relations and outreach efforts
  - Paid advertising to promote vaccine outreach
  - Town Halls to educate all community members about vaccine safety
  - Vaccine location and access
  - Partner with community leaders, business and organizations to share message









### What's Next?

- Continue pandemic messaging following transfer of authority
- Shared messaging and support for regional concerns
  - CARES Campus and support of unsheltered populations
  - Services and support for older Americans
  - Regional emergencies (i.e. wildfires, flooding)
  - Additional regional concerns

