

**HEALTH COMMISSION
EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION PROGRAM
Health Commission 2021 Awards**

Nominated Team/Program	Names of Individual Team Members/Titles	Section/Work Unit	Nominated by:
COVID Task Force Neighborhood Vaccination Team	Amabel Chow, MPH, Operations Deputy Team Co-Leads: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Jonathan Fuchs, MD, MPH - Na’Imah Crum - Emily Raganold - Maryna Spiegel, MPH Vaccination Site Leads: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Alexis Mendez - Sophia Balestreri - Lucy Arellano - Mar Cury - Mireya Lopez - Oscar Macias - David Leiva - Kit Ching (ADP) - Lorena Zevala (LIB) - Giovanni Panopio (REG) - Phil De La Cruz (TTX) Outreach Team: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Berta Hernandez, PhD - Qianya Vinson - Colei Obrien (REG) 	COVID Task Force Vaccine Branch	Maryna Spiegel, Neighborhood Vaccination Team Co- Lead

The Neighborhood Vaccination Team has been working diligently with various community partners to bring the COVID-19 vaccine directly to the neighborhoods and communities most impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. This includes those with the highest burden of disease as well as highest economic impact. The staff working on the Neighborhood Vaccination Team come from a variety of City departments, and DPH divisions. In close partnership with community-based organizations, this team works tirelessly to integrate and co-locate COVID-19 vaccination and testing services, provide health education, as well as community support services such as food assistance, supplying cleaning and protective equipment, and other invaluable resources. Since January 24th, 2021, the first day of operations at the 24th and Capp streets community vaccination site, the Neighborhood Vaccination Team has launched and operated 8 community-based sites in the Mission, Bayview/ Hunters Point, Visitacion Valley, Excelsior, OMI, and the Tenderloin neighborhoods. Between January and June, 2021, via 272 vaccination clinic events, the Neighborhood Vaccination Team and their community partners implemented 272 vaccination clinic events which supported 39,121 individuals who live, work, learn or pray in San Francisco to get vaccinated against COVID-19.

The team's efforts could not have succeeded without the deep and trusting relationships that the Site Lead staff have developed at each of their individual neighborhood vaccination site and their ongoing advocacy for the community partners and residents. As disaster workers, all of the staff on the Neighborhood Vaccination Team have left their regular positions, and put all of their hearts and minds towards supporting the most vulnerable San Franciscans in accessing culturally responsive, and linguistically appropriate services and information. The team has gone above and beyond their call of duty to ensure that sites were operating to the highest standard, continuously improving the quality of services and responding to the shifting community needs. This team exemplifies best practices in partnership building, cultural and community responsiveness, health education and public health.