Position: Jefferson County Public Health COVID-19 Vaccine Outreach Volunteer

Goal: To increase COVID-19 vaccine access and equitable distribution in high priority population communities by distributing information about access points, vaccine safety, and resources for overcoming potential barriers.

Vision: Jefferson County vaccination rates are consistent across neighborhoods and communities of varying demographics. All community members are empowered to make an informed decision about vaccination and have the resources and ability to make a vaccination plan.

Overview and Responsibilities

The COVID-19 Vaccine Outreach Volunteer will engage directly with the communities that we aim to serve. Responsibilities will include:

- Learn about zip codes and neighborhoods with low vaccination rates in the county as identified by the Coordinator.
- Distribute informational materials to the door of each household in the area (materials will include where to access the vaccine, how to find registration/transportation assistance, how to connect with language competent services, and a number to call if they have questions).
- Engage community members in discussion about vaccine hesitancy.
- Track common themes in vaccine hesitancy and brainstorm/implement solutions.

Qualifications

- Interest in community engagement or grassroots work.
- A passion for increasing equity in the distribution of the COVID-19 vaccine.
- Bilingual Spanish candidates strongly encouraged to apply.
- Must be 18+ years old to apply.

Skills/Knowledge and Abilities

- Cultural competency and ability to respectfully interact with people from various backgrounds.
- Passionate about the work; able to work independently or with a team.
- Ability to accept and implement feedback.
- Experience working in a public-facing role.
- Able to volunteer 4-10 hours per week.

Benefits and Career Advancement Opportunities

- A unique opportunity to be a part of the fight against COVID-19 vaccination disparities.
- Opportunity to empower people to take a vaccine, potentially saving lives.
- Personal development through experience with community engagement.
- Opportunities for professional skills training (e.g. motivational interviewing).
- Gain volunteer community service hours for graduation, if needed.

Preferred start date: June 1, 2021. You will be required to complete a volunteer waiver if selected for this opportunity.

To apply, please send a letter of interest and resume to Marius Nielsen: mnielsen@jeffco.us