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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE SCPH, METRO RTA Partner to Provide COVID-19 Vaccinations, Bus Passes to Residents

[Akron, OH] – Summit County Public Health has partnered with METRO RTA to host a pop-up vaccination clinic on August 26, 2021 from 9:00 am – 3:00 pm at the Robert K. Pfaff Transit Center located at 631 S. Broadway St., Akron, Ohio 44311 to reach Summit County residents and discuss the benefits of COVID-19 vaccination. METRO will be offering a 31–Day bus pass for fixed-routes, valued at \$50.00, to be put on the individuals EZfare mobile ticket app to those who are vaccinated on the 26th. "This event will again give our staff the opportunity to discuss the benefits of COVID-19 vaccinations. Sometimes that face to face conversation is all it takes to get someone to change their mind about being vaccinated. We want to thank METRO for their support and for allowing us to use their facility and providing free bus passes to those who get vaccinated" states Summit County Public Health Commissioner, Donna Skoda.

Ohio Medicaid and MyCare will have representatives at the METRO station on August 26th, with \$100.00 gift cards for eligible Medicaid/MyCare participants (18 and over) who receive their first dose of COVID-19 vaccine. SCPH will offer all three vaccines at the clinic on the 26th.

SCPH wants to encourage all residents, including those who are unvaccinated, to continue to engage in safe and effective behaviors to reduce the spread of COVID-19:

- Stay home if you're sick, even with mild symptoms
- Be mindful in your interactions with others. Limit your chances of exposure by maintaining social distancing of at least six feet from non-household members
- Wash hands frequently with soap and water for at least 20 seconds
- Wear a mask in public
- Consider necessary travel only
- Follow good hygiene standards:

- Use hand sanitizer frequently
- Avoid touching your face
- Cover coughs and sneezes

If you have questions, call the COVID-19 Call Line (330) 926-5795. The call line is open from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. M-F.