

## **Executive Summary**

### Vaccine Access Project Category A

When the COVID-19 vaccine was made available to all populations in late March 2021, the City of Philadelphia began efforts to widely distribute the COVID-19 vaccine and understood transportation would be a key element to providing access. Utilizing the services of McCormick Taylor, Inc., the City of Philadelphia's Office of Emergency Management (OEM) and the Office of Transportation, Infrastructure, and Sustainability (OTIS) delivered the Vaccine Access Project from April 2021 to June 2021. The Vaccine Access Project provided free transportation options to help Philadelphians get to/from vaccination sites. McCormick Taylor, Inc. provided staffed transportation desks at all City-run vaccine sites with transportation resources for those in need. These resources provided multimodal transportation options, including:

- FREE SEPTA transit passes
- FREE Expanded SEPTA CCT for door-to-door rides for individuals with disabilities and seniors
- FREE Lyft rides for those eligible, in partnership with the United Way of Greater Philadelphia and Southern New Jersey

McCormick Taylor, Inc. work allows the City and OEM to focus on vaccine logistics and delivery, while McCormick Taylor, Inc. focused on transportation assistance. In doing so, access to the COVID-19 vaccine was available to many who may not have otherwise gotten the vaccine. By the end of May, McCormick Taylor, Inc. had already provided over 23,500 transit passes to nearly 7,200 people.