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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE SCPH Will Offer Drive Thru COVID-19 Home Tests Distribution to Residents

[Akron, OH] – Summit County Public Health received a shipment of 3,400 free COVID-19 home test kits and will hold a drive thru distribution event this Saturday January 8, 2022 from 10:00 am – 12:00 pm (or until the supply has been exhausted) at 1867 W. Market St., Akron Ohio. We will not be distributing test kits today January 7th, 2022. The test kits are limited to 1 test per person present in the vehicle. The tests are approved for use on individuals age 4 and over. Masks are **required** in order to receive a test kit.

In an effort to control traffic issues that may arise during the drive thru distribution event:

- Please do not arrive before 9:45 am.
- **DO NOT** stop on the railroad tracks. The railroad tracks are active and trains utilize the tracks frequently.
- You must enter off of W. Market St. Do not use the back parking lot entrance off Shatto.

SCPH encourages those residents who are both vaccinated and 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
- Wear a mask in public
- Consider necessary travel only
- Follow good hygiene standards:
- Wash hands frequently with soap and water for at least 20 seconds
- 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.

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