



# NEVILLE ISLAND GENERAL VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

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## Quarterly Newsletter

### Q1- 2021

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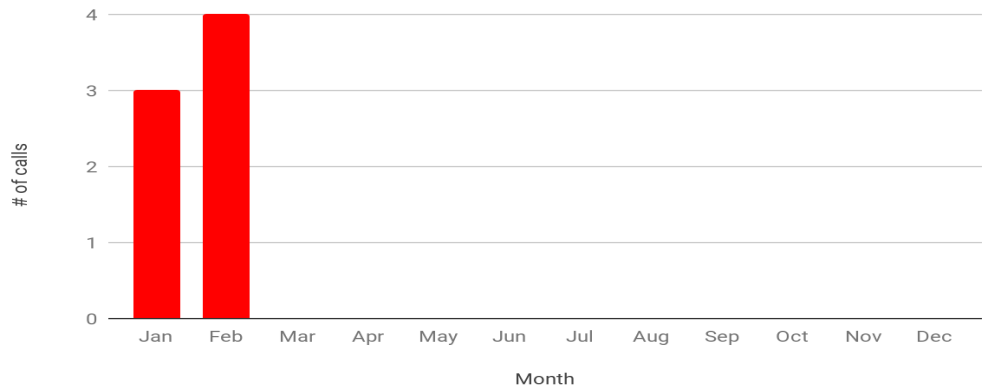
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Fire and River Rescue calls- 2021



### CHIEF's REPORT

I would request everyone to continue to be cautious and I encourage everyone eligible to take their COVID vaccine to keep yourself and everyone around you safe. Please watch out for State and CDC guidelines on recommended safe practices to help us all get back to normal as soon as possible. We continue to be available as always for any emergencies in our community.

### NEW MEMBERS

If you would like to become a member of the Fire department, please use this form to apply and send it to the mailing address or email us:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

*Requirements:*

- You have to have a completed 1 year as a resident of Neville Island
- Pass a background check

*Qualified applicants will be provided training at the Allegheny County Fire Academy*

# How Viral Vector COVID-19 Vaccines Work

## Understanding the virus that causes COVID-19.

Coronaviruses, like the one that causes COVID-19, are named for the crown-like spikes on their surface, called **spike proteins**. These **spike proteins** are ideal targets for vaccines.

## What is a viral vector vaccine?

A viral vector vaccine uses a harmless version of a different virus, called a "vector," to deliver information to the body that helps it protect you.

## How does the vaccine work?

The vaccine teaches your body how to make copies of the **spike proteins**. If you are exposed to the real virus later, your body will recognize it and know how to fight it off.

**+** The vaccine **DOES NOT** contain the virus that causes COVID-19 and cannot give you COVID-19. It also cannot make you sick from the virus that is used as the vector. It cannot change your DNA in any way.

**+** When your body responds to the vaccine, it can sometimes cause tiredness, headache, muscle pain, nausea, or mild fever. These are normal signs the vaccine is working.

## GETTING VACCINATED?

For information about COVID-19 vaccine, visit [cdc.gov/coronavirus/vaccines](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/vaccines)

