



## Media Advisory

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### Bay Area Flu Shot Information: Dial 2-1-1 or 800-273-6222

SAN FRANCISCO, October 9, 2006 – This year, information about flu shots in San Francisco, Napa, Marin, San Mateo and Solano Counties is available from United Way's 2-1-1/HELPLINK call center. The call center can provide information in over 150 languages about where to get flu shots and how much they cost.

**Within San Francisco:** Dial 2-1-1 from any landline telephone in San Francisco, 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

**Outside San Francisco or from cell phones:** Callers dialing from outside San Francisco County or using cell phones can reach United Way HELPLINK by dialing 415-808-HELP or 800-273-6222 from 8:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

### **About United Way HELPLINK and 2-1-1 San Francisco**

United Way HELPLINK is a comprehensive, regional Information & Referral system that connects people in need with local community services through its multilingual phone numbers, print directories; and online searchable database. United Way HELPLINK also serves as a vital link for individuals seeking to volunteer or assist during times of crisis. Each year, the United Way HELPLINK call center helps as many as 40,000 Bay Area residents quickly navigate the thousands of government and nonprofit agencies that serve our region. In March 2006, United Way HELPLINK launched 2-1-1 phone service in San Francisco, the first step in United Way's plans to promote and establish 2-1-1 service throughout the Bay Area. Learn more about United Way HELPLINK and 2-1-1 by visiting [www.211bayarea.org](http://www.211bayarea.org).

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