Shape the future for your family and community.

The U.S. Constitution requires that every decade we count our nation’s population. By April 1, every household will receive a notice to complete the 2020 Census and be counted.

Responding is important.

You can shape the future for yourself, your family, and your community for the next 10 years. Data collected in the 2020 Census will inform the distribution of more than $675 billion in federal funds to states and communities each year. Businesses, community leaders, and local governments use census data to create jobs, ensure public safety preparedness, and support community initiatives.

Results of the census impact funding for things like:

- Schools and education
- Health care facilities
- Housing assistance
- Public transportation
- Child and adult food assistance programs
- Assistance for people transitioning out of homelessness
- Career and technical education grants
- Medicare Part B
Everyone at your address should be counted.

It is important to count every person living in your household, even if they are staying only temporarily. This includes relatives, nonrelatives, and children as young as one day old.

You should respond at the address where you are living or staying on Census Day—April 1, 2020.

Our kids are important.

An estimated 5 percent of kids under the age of five were missed in the 2010 Census. At about 1 million babies and young children, that’s the largest undercount of any age group. The 2020 Census helps determine which areas qualify for the critical resources that children and families depend on for the next 10 years—basically an entire childhood! During those years, their communities could receive less funding for schools, parks, SNAP/WIC, hospitals, transportation, and other things kids need.

Responding is easy and secure.

Responding to the census takes just a few minutes. Simply answer a handful of questions online, by phone, or by mail. The Census Bureau encourages renters and recent movers to complete their forms right away, online or by phone, in case paper forms get lost in the mail.

All responses are confidential and protected by law. Your personal information can never be shared with law enforcement agencies or property managers, and it cannot be used against you in any way.

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