



# You count. Be counted.

The 2020 Census marks the 24th time that the county has counted its population since 1790. Everyone counts, regardless of citizenship status. Answers are confidential and will not be shared with other government agencies.

**Take 10 minutes to answer 10 questions**

**Help shape our community over the next 10 years**

## Census 2020

The Census provides a snapshot of our nation. Data is used to determine the allocation of Federal Funding that help support our schools, veterans, senior citizens, hospitals, fire departments, roads, bridges, and other resources like Medicaid, Student Loans, Housing Loans, the National School Lunch Program, Head Start, and WIC. Also, the results of the census determines our representation in Congress.



The Census can be completed by mail, online, or by phone. Each home will receive an invitation in the mail between March 12 – 20.

**April 1st is Census Day!**

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Count everyone under your roof as of April 1, 2020. This includes any friends or family members who are living and sleeping there most of the time and anyone renting space in your home. Everyone counts, regardless of citizenship status.

Starting in May 2020, homes that have not responded to the census will receive a visit by a community member to answer your questions and help with the questionnaire.



**Remember, the Census Bureau Protects your Data**

**Answers are confidential. It is the law.**

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The Census Bureau is bound by law to keep answers confidential. Employees take an oath to protect information.

The Census Bureau will NOT share your responses with any court or other government agency, including the FBI, ICE or the Department of Homeland Security. The Census does NOT ask about citizenship status.

Guard yourself from fraud. The Census Bureau will NEVER: email you, ask for your full Social Security Number, your mother's maiden name, your bank or credit card account numbers, money, or to come into your home.





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## **Additional Information:**

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- Keeping information confidential is the law — Title 13.
- The Census does NOT ask about citizenship status.
- The purpose of the Census is to collect data that is used to determine the allocation of Federal Funding for programs that support our residents and also determines our congressional representation.
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## **Population: an accurate count**

### **Allocated funding helps or supports:**

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|---------------------|---------------------------------|
| • Schools           | • Medicaid                      |
| • Veterans          | • Student Loans                 |
| • Senior Citizens   | • Housing Loans                 |
| • Hospitals         | • School Lunch Program          |
| • Fire Departments  | • Head Start                    |
| • Roads and bridges | • Women, Infant, Children (WIC) |

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