

# 2020 Census 101



## ▶ WHAT IS THE 2020 CENSUS?

The census is a simple 10 question form that happens once every decade in an attempt to count everyone who lives in the U.S. It helps determine how federal funding is given to important things like roads, schools, healthcare, business development, public safety, and other social service programs. It also ensures that our state receives equal representation in Congress, the State Legislature, and in our city government.

## ▶ WHO GETS COUNTED?

Count every person living in your household on April 1st; this includes babies, children, grandparents, other relatives, roommates, and any other person living in your home who may not be related to you.

## ▶ WHERE SHOULD YOU BE COUNTED?

Count yourself or be counted in the place where you live and sleep most of the time. If you are unsure, just count yourself where you are on April 1st.

## ▶ WHEN SHOULD YOU RESPOND?

**March 12 - 30:** Households will begin receiving official mail from the Census Bureau with detailed information on how to respond online, by phone, or by mail.

**April 1:** Census Day is observed nationwide. Once the invitation arrives at your home, you should respond for your household online, by phone, or by mail. You do not need to wait for Census Day to respond.

**April:** Census Takers will begin visiting group quarters such as college campus' and senior centers.

**May - July:** Census Takers will begin visiting households that haven't responded to the 2020 Census.

## ▶ HOW CAN YOU RESPOND?

Respond online, by phone, or by mail. It can be completed over the phone in 13 different languages. It can also be completed by mail in English or Spanish. For more information, visit **2020Census.gov**.

The census is 10 simple questions that are easy for everyone to answer. All responses are confidential and protected by law.