

# The 2020 Census

Ensuring a complete count of everyone in our community



### The 2020 Census:

Why it matters, why vulnerable communities are at risk of being undercounted, and what you can do to help

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# The results of the 2020 Census will impact our community and our lives for the next 10 years.

#### **FUNDING**

**Billions of federal dollars** are allocated to local areas every year based on census population data

#### REPRESENTATION

The **Constitution** requires a count of everyone living in the U.S. every 10 years to determine how many seats each state will have in the House of Representatives.



#### REDISTRICTING

Census data provides the foundation for determining

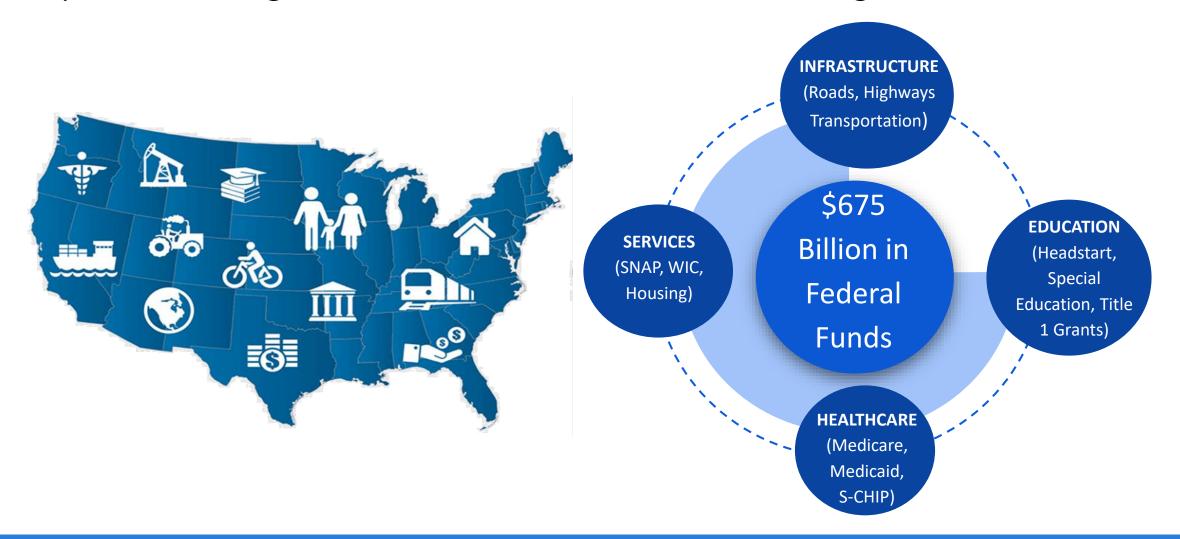
congressional and local boundaries

#### PLANNING for the FUTURE

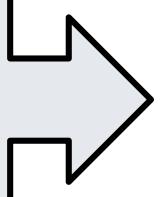
Informs **decision making** at the local, state and federal level – helps communities plan for the future

### Census & Re\$ources

Population data guides the distribution of federal funding to local communities



Virginia received over \$17.7 billion dollars in FY 2016!



COUNTING FOR DOLLARS 2020:

Allocation of Funds from 55 Large Federal Spending Programs
Guided by Data Derived from the 2010 Census (Fiscal Year 2016)

Total Program Obligations: \$17,766,199,831

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Financial Assistance Programs		\$16,659,672,817			
Medical Assistance Program (Medicaid)	HHS	\$4,553,022,000	Community Facilities Loans/Grants	USDA	\$82,273,588
Federal Direct Student Loans	ED	\$2,867,549,078	Supporting Effective Instruction State Grants	ED	\$50,134,748
Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program	USDA	\$1,169,412,644	Crime Victim Assistance	DOJ	\$56,993,066
Medicare Suppl. Medical Insurance (Part B)	HHS	\$1,733,105,552	CDBG Entitlement Grants	HUD	\$34,034,616
Highway Planning and Construction	DOT	\$1,024,381,647	Public Housing Capital Fund	HUD	\$35,204,000
Federal Pell Grant Program	ED	\$628,100,000	Block Grants for the Prevention and Treatment of Substance Abuse	HHS	\$41,979,903
Section 8 Housing Choice Vouchers	HUD	\$402,768,000	Water and Waste Disposal Systems for Rural Communities	USDA	\$50,954,000
Temporary Assistance for Needy Families	HHS	\$158,285,172	Social Services Block Grant	HHS	\$41,142,148
Very Low to Moderate Income Housing Loans	USDA	\$587,360,809	Rural Rental Assistance Payments	USDA	\$32,692,454
Title I Grants to LEAs	ED	\$251,414,442	Business and Industry Loans	USDA	\$46,492,000
State Children's Health Insurance Program	HHS	\$265,185,000	Career and Technical Education - Basic Grants to States	ED	\$23,974,781
National School Lunch Program	USDA	\$241,811,000	Homeland Security Grant Program	DHS	\$7,445,500
Special Education Grants	ED	\$290,899,808	WICA Dislocated Worker Grants	DOL	\$17,647,332
Section 8 Housing Assistance Payments Program	HUD	\$228,720,630	HOME	HUD	\$20,013,587
Federal Transit Formula Grants	DOT	\$156,964,000	State CDBG	HUD	\$16,811,481
Head Start	HHS	\$182,745,243	WIOA Youth Activities	DOL	\$15,728,252
WIC	USDA	\$113,209,000	WIOA Adult Activities	DOL	\$13,198,828
Title IV-E Foster Care	HHS	\$59,163,394	Employment Service/Wagner-Peyser	DOL	\$16,963,579
Health Care Centers	HUS	\$81.241.005	Community Son/cos Block Grant	ния	\$11,394,801

Source: Counting for Dollars Report, George Washington University, 2019

# What programs are impacted by census data?

Federal programs that use decennial population data to allocate funding

- Medicaid/Medicare
- WIC
- SNAP
- TANF
- S-CHIP
- Head Start

- National School Lunch/Breakfast Program
- Title 1 Grants for Schools
- Section 8 Housing
- Social Services Block Grant
- Healthcare Centers
- Highway Planning & Construction

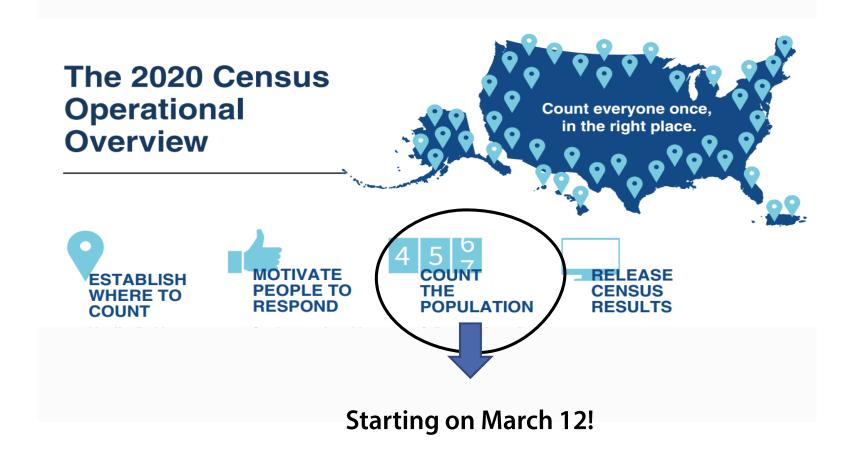
### **Undercount: What if someone is missed?**

- Persons residing in a geographic area and not counted in the 2020
   Census are missed for the entire decade
- Each person missed represents up to \$2,000 per year or \$20,000 over 10 years – in federal funding that is lost for our state, counties and local communities\*
- Our goal is to count everyone!

\* Source: Virginia Complete Count Commission

# Census Overview: Our plan for 2020

GOAL: To count everyone once, only once and in the right place.



# **Key Dates for the 2020 Census**

Launch of national advertising campaign

January 2020



CENSUS DAY! April 1, Census
Takers
conduct
nonresponse
follow up
May-July
31, 2020



Redistricting counts are delivered to states April 2021





AND

website is LIVE!

Letters mailed to all households

March 12-20, 2020



Reminders sent and self response continues

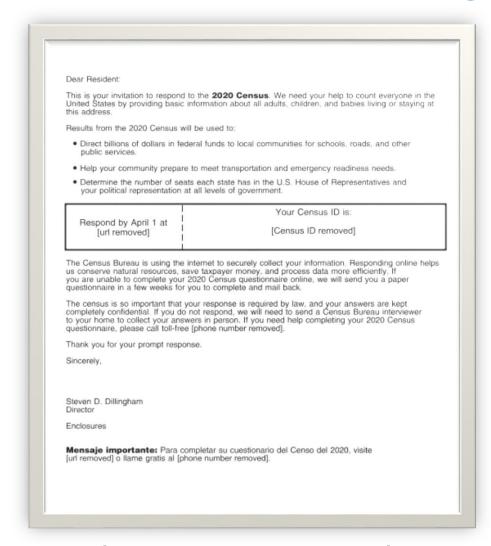
April 8 – July 31, 2020



Census Bureau delivers apportionment counts to the President December 31,



### Responding to the Census





Sample 2020 Census Letter (March)

Sample 2020 Census Questionnaire (April)

# What questions will be on the 2020 Census?

 HOW MANY people are living or staying at the home on April 1, 2020?

Is the home is OWNED OR RENTED?

 NAME of each person living in the household



GENDER of each person in the household

AGE of each person in the household

- RACE/ETHNICITY of each person in the household
- RELATIONSHIP of each person in the household

# The 2020 Census will NOT ask:

- Social Security Number
- Income or financial information

Citizenship Status

#### **NOTE:**

Sample questionnaire available at www.2020census.gov



# **Confidentiality & Public Trust**

Federal law protects census responses, which can only be used for statistical purposes

(U.S. Code Title 13, Section 9)

# How can people respond to the census?



Online\* (2020Census.gov)

Safe, secure and can be accessed anytime from virtually anywhere via computer, tablet, or mobile phone (March 2020)



#### Phone\*

Toll-free numbers with language support for those who need it (March 2020)



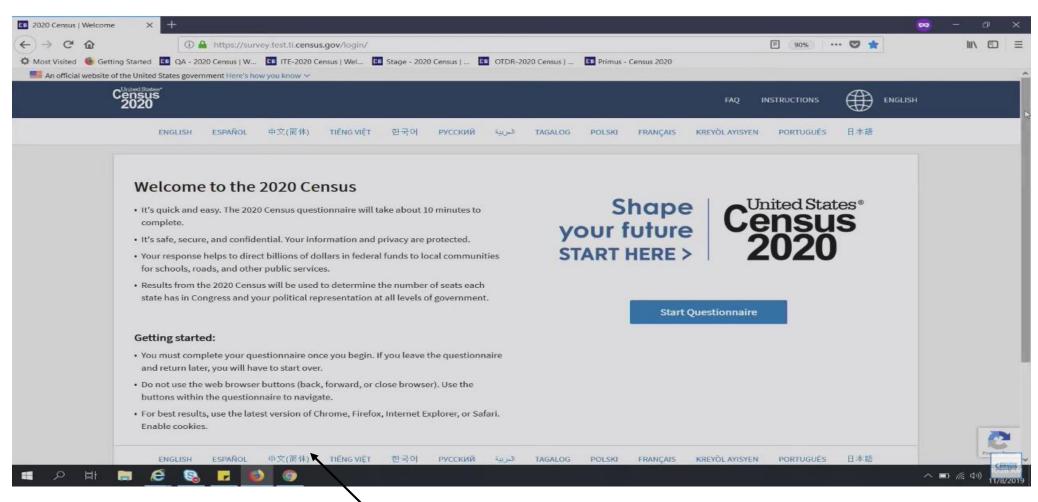
#### Mail

Paper forms will be sent to those who do not respond (April 2020)

#### \*NOTE:

Census forms can be submitted <u>with or without</u> Census-assigned ID number AND <u>language support</u> is available in 12 non-English languages

# Responding to the 2020 Census Online



Click here to complete form in one of 12 Non-English languages

### **2020 Census Telephone Support**

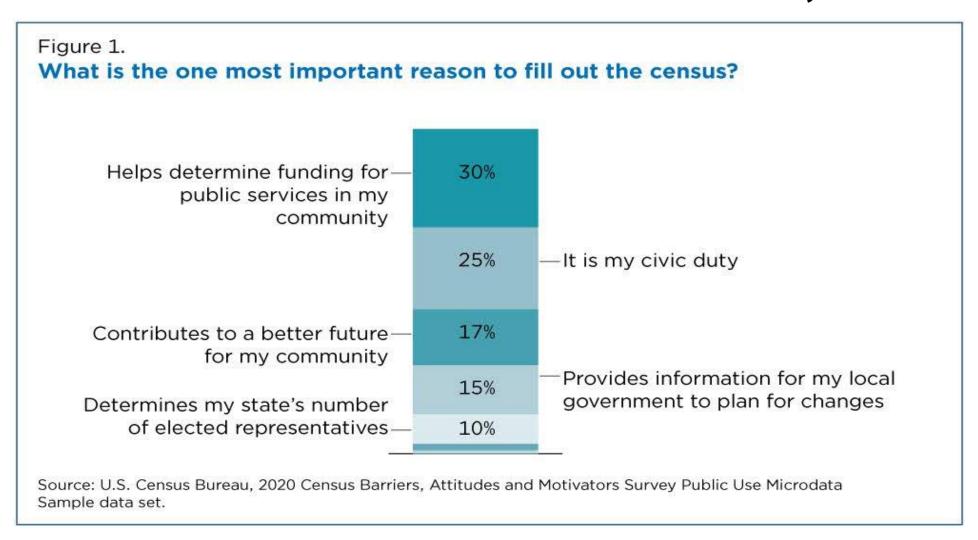
March 1 – English & Spanish phone lines available for automated info March 9 – All lines open with live customer service representative

LANGUAGE LINE	TOLL-FREE NUMBER	Polish	844-479-2020	
English	844-330-2020	French	844-494-2020	
Spanish	844-468-2020	Haitian Creole	844-477-2020	
Chinese (Mandarin)	844-391-2020		11 1//	
Chinese (Cantonese)	844-398-2020	Portuguese	844-474-2020	
Vietnamese	844-461-2020	Japanese	844-460-2020	
Korean	844-392-2020	English (Puerto Rico residents)	844-418-2020	
Russian	844-417-2020	Spanish (Puerto Rico	844-426-2020	
Arabic	844-416-2020	residents)	044-420-2020	
Tagalog	844-478-2020	Telephone Display Device (TDD)	844-467-2020	

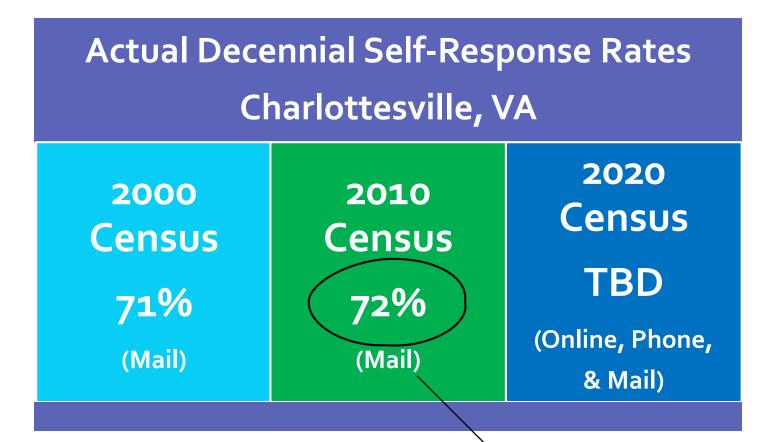


## **Motivations for Completing the Census**

2020 Census Barriers, Attitudes, and Motivators Survey (2019)

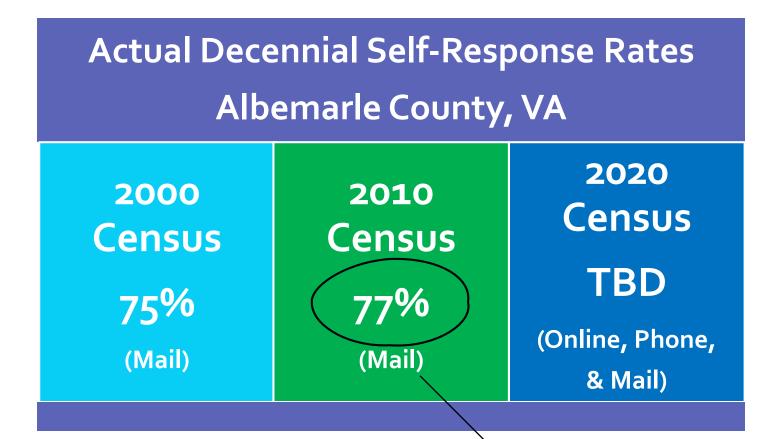


# **Census Response Rates for Charlottesville**



28% of population did not respond initially to the census!

# **Census Response Rates for Albemarle County**



23% of population did not respond initially to the census!

### **Common Concerns about the Census**

#### 2020 Census Barriers, Attitudes, and Motivators Survey (2019)

#### Confidentiality

About 1 in 4 respondents were concerned about confidentiality of answers to the 2020 Census - racial and ethnic minorities were significantly more concerned than whites

#### Fear

Nearly 1 in 4 respondents feared that their answers to the 2020 Census will be used against them

#### Distrust

Over half of survey respondents did not trust federal or state government

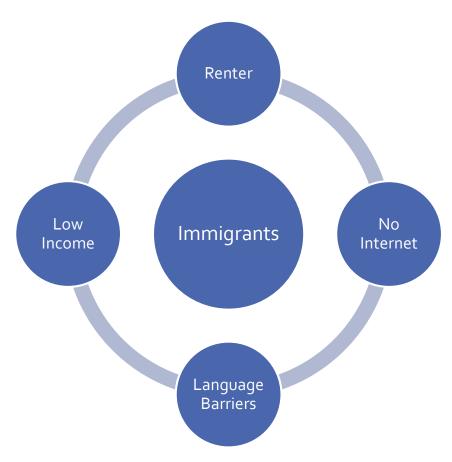
# Who is at risk of being undercounted?

#### Groups that are less likely to respond or harder to reach

- Renters
- People who live in rural or isolated areas
- Low income and lower education levels
- Immigrants or non-English speakers
- Young children (0-5)

#### AND for 2020:

- Seniors
- Households without computing device and/or internet access



# **Groups That Have Historically Been Undercounted**

- In 2010, the Census undercounted 2.1% of the black population, not statistically different from a 1.8% in 2000.
- In 2010, 1.5% of the Hispanic population was undercounted compared to 0.7% in 2000 and 5.2% in 1990.
- In 2010, 4.9% of American Indians living on reservations were undercounted.
- In 2010, there was an estimated net undercount of 4.6% for young children (0-4), which translates to about 1 million young children with an estimated 400,000 children of Hispanic origin.

# National Strategies for Encouraging Response

#### **Immigrants & Refugees**

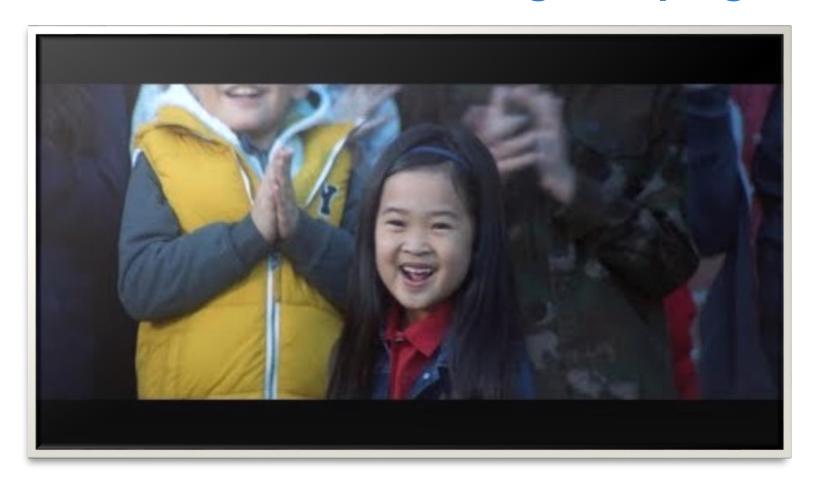
- Outreach developed locally through complete count committees
- Messaging focused on confidentiality and community benefits
- Partnering with community leaders as trusted voices
- Targeted advertising and outreach materials in multiple languages
- Hiring census workers who are bilingual
- Mobile Questionnaire Assistance (census takers in community locations)
- Multiple response options & language assistance

## **Local Strategies for Encouraging Response**

#### **Immigrants & Refugees**

- Printing census language guides and making them available at local libraries
- Presenting census information to groups in conjunction with community partners (Sin Barreras, IRC, Literacy Council)
- Identifying peer leaders who can share census information with their community
- Distributing posters and information to local businesses, churches and nonprofits
- Planning awareness events at locations where community members gather (parks, community centers)
- Hosting census response stations with bilingual staff and volunteers

# **2020 Census Advertising Campaign**



[2020 Census Video – Everyone Counts :30]

### **Take Action: Be Informed**

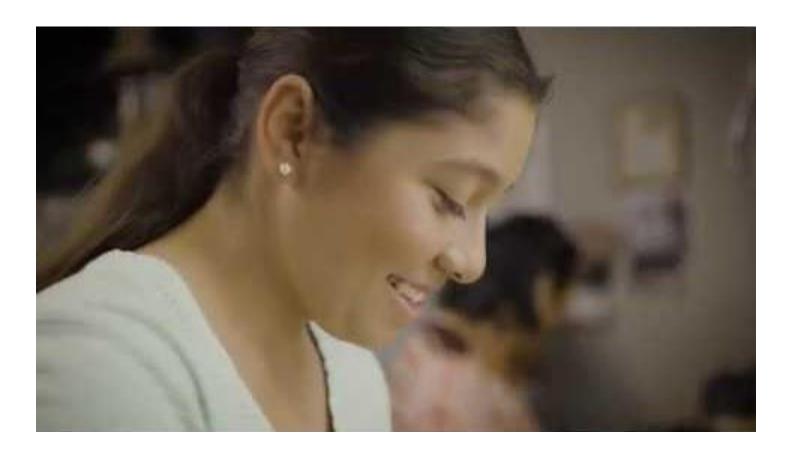
- Learn about the census and sign up to receive updates and info
   at <u>2020census.gov</u> and through the VA census commission at <u>census.virginia.gov</u>
- Participate in Virginia Stakeholder Engagement Calls 203-955-0182 (Passcode: 27-26-61-50)
  - -Interfaith Engagement: Tuesday, March 3 at 10 am
  - -African American Engagement: Thursday, March 5 at 2:30 pm
- Text the word "PLEDGE" or "CENSO" (Español) to 434-201-4884 to receive a digital pledge card that can be shared on social media (standard text messaging data rates may apply)
- Visit <u>census.gov/roam</u> to check low response rates for your neighborhood (by census tract)
- Fight misinformation by reporting rumors or inaccurate information to <u>rumors@census.gov</u> or flagging it online through Facebook, Twitter and other channels

## Take Action: Spread the Word



- Be a Census Ambassador!
- Talk to friends, colleagues, neighbors about the importance of the census
- Share census messages on social media (Facebook, Nextdoor, etc.)
- Post fliers, handouts, posters at local businesses, community centers, etc.
- Contact your elected officials to let them know you think the census is important and encourage their support for complete count efforts
- Speak about the census at service clubs, community meetings

# Pledge to Complete the 2020 Census and share your support!



Visit <u>2020census.gov</u> – click on green "Take the Pledge" button on top right

### **Take Action: Get Involved**



- Apply NOW for a census job at <u>2020census.gov/jobs!</u>
- Start a local Complete Count Committee or attend a meeting of a regional or county CCC
- Plan an awareness event around April 1 to focus attention on Census Day
- Host a census information table at a church, school, or community event
- Encourage your business or organization to be an official 2020 Census Partner
- Ask your school, daycare or afterschool program to participate in the statewide art contest
- Sign up here today to become a 2020 Census volunteer!

## **Take Action: Encourage Support**

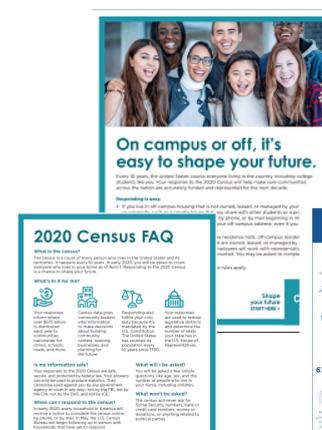


- SCHOOLS Reach out to teachers, principals and school districts to let them know about free activities & lesson plans through Statistics in Schools at <u>census.gov/schools</u>
- FAITH GROUPS Encourage your pastor, rabbi or faith leader to participate in Census Worship Weekend (March 27-29) and to share messages with their congregation
- NEIGHBORHOODS Talk to your neighborhood association or HOA about how to encourage residents to respond to the census
- CIVIC ORGANIZATIONS Ask your chapter to put the 2020 Census on the agenda at its next meeting to share information and resources with members

### **Outreach Materials**

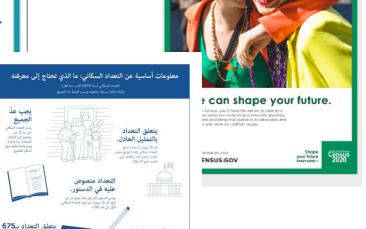
at 2020Census.gov

- Over 100 educational items
- Tailored to specific audiences
- Available in multiple languages
- Includes social media resources
- Website updated regularly
- Download, print and distribute!



2020CENSUS.GOV





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# Apply for a 2020 Census Job!

We are hiring locally for hundreds of temporary positions

- Competitive pay
- Flexible hours
- Paid training
- Weekly pay
- Great way to earn extra income while helping your community!

APPLY ONLINE! www.2020census.gov/jobs

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## 2020 Census: Key Messages to Share

- The census is easy, safe and important.
- Respond online if possible or by phone or on paper.
- All census responses are confidential and protected by federal law.
- Census Day is April 1, 2020.
- Count everyone in your house, apartment or residence together on one form.
- Your response will impact funding for schools, transportation, healthcare, housing and social services.

# For more information or to get involved:

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UPDATES & INFO: 2020census.gov JOBS: 2020census.gov/jobs MAPS: census.gov/ROAM













### **Questions?**

- In filling out a census form, is applicant required to give a SSN?
- Are materials in other languages available for us to use to explain the census?
- Will there be additional public outreach to dispel concerns about the census?

### Ideas?

- How can we as a community encourage people to respond?
- What messaging and strategies will be most effective?