

Full Participation in the 2020 CENSUS is Important! There's a lot at stake!

Completing the Census is easy – There are 3 ways

1. **Respond Online - Go to - <https://2020census.gov> or**
2. **Respond By Calling – 1-844-330-2020 or**
3. **Complete the form mailed or delivered to your home!**

Local communities have important reasons to ensure a full count of their populations.

- Census data is used to distribute federal funding. Dozens of federal and state programs use the information – Underreporting will result in a loss of funding.
- The numbers derived from the CENSUS date are used to determine political districts at the federal, state, and local levels. States gain or lose seats in Congress (and the Electoral College, which determines presidential elections) depending on how much their population changes relative to the nation at large.
- Accurate data regarding who lives where and how the population is changing is critical for long-term planning, as local governments cities, counties, and school boards use population to make informed decisions about where to invest in services like new transportation lines or more schools.

How are Constituent Service impacted?

Dozens of critical social services, education, and infrastructure programs depend on census-guided federal funds. Bottom-line - more money goes to places where more people live – that is the State and Local Governments. If Florida's data is undercounted State funding will be reduced.

The Clock is running! The time for action is now!

The deadline for completion of the 2020 census is October 31st. There is just over 3 months to work with your community partners to ensure a fair and accurate county and to prevent an undercount. Political representation, funding distribution, and data for decision-making all rest upon a full and accurate enumeration. .

Here are some the programs that use census data for distribution purposes-

Temporary Assistance to Needy Families	Highway Planning and Construction
Title 1 Grants to Local School Districts	Child and Adult Food Programs
Child Care and Development Block Grants	Low Income Home Energy Assistance
Section 8 Housing Choice Vouchers	Community Service Block Grant
National School Lunch Program	Substance Abuse and Treatment Block Grants
Medical Assistance Programs	Youth and Adult Activities
Special Education Grants	Special Programs for the Aging, Title III,
Title IV-E Foster Care	Nutrition Services
Social Services Block Grant	Career and Technical Training Grants to the
Homeland Security Grant Programs	State
Community Development Block Grants	Dislocated Worker Formula Grants
Head Start	Federal Transit Formula Grants
School Breakfast Program	Home Investment Partnership Program
Adoption Assistance	State Community Development Block Grants
Supporting Effective Instruction State Grants	Crime Victim Assistance

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Lt. Governor Jeanette Nunez - Chair of Florida's Complete Count Committee

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