

# COUNT YOUR KIDS!

\$20,000 PER PERSON FOR YOUR COMMUNITY

### FOR THE NEXT 10 YEARS

Every 10 years, the U.S. Census Bureau is required by the Constitution to count all of the nation's residents. The goal of the 2020 Census is to count every person living in the United States. Data from the census impact everyone including:





### **NUTRITION PROGRAMS**

LIKE SNAP, WIC, AND SCHOOL LUNCH





### NUMBER OF **REPRESENTATIVES**

TO MAKE SURE YOUR VOICE IS HEARD IN CONGRESS

TIMELINE FOR 2020

Complete yours BY PHONE

**ONLINE** BY MAIL

# **MARCH**

All households will receive either a postcard OR a paper survey

- 1st reminder sent by letter
- 2nd reminder sent by postcard



### APRII

- 3rd reminder by letter in mid-April
- 4th reminder by postcard in late April with paper form\*



### **MAY-JUNF**

Follow up begins first by phone, then in person\*

\*IF YOU HAVE NOT YET COMPLETED THE FORM

10 mins to complete means NO KNOCK AT YOUR DOOR!







# COMMON SITUATIONS WHERE CHILDREN COULD BE MISSED

#### The child splits time between two homes — for example, divorced parents

Count the child where he/she lives most often. If the child spends an equal amount of time between homes, count the location on April 1. Don't forget to coordinate with other caregivers!

### The child stays with another family or relative

Children should be counted where they live most often, even if the living arrangement is temporary or the parents do not live there.

#### The child is a newborn

Parents should include all babies born on or before April 1, even if the child is still in the hospital.

### The child lives in a household with more people than allowed on the lease

The U.S. Census Bureau does not share information with ANYONE. Strict laws, that include severe penalties and jail time, protect you —so everyone should be counted!

### Parents or caregivers of the child speak limited or no English

The 2020 Census will be available in 13 languages both online and by phone, so families can complete it in the language they choose.

**LEARN MORE** 

www.vakids.org/2020-census #VOICES4KIDS

