Census Bureau Accessibility Fact Sheet

It’s easy for you to be counted.
Every 10 years, the United States counts everyone who lives in the country, regardless of age, nationality, or ability. It is important for everyone to respond to the 2020 Census so that communities like yours can receive the funding they need for health care, accessibility services, and more.

The 2020 Census is accessible for everyone.
Beginning in mid-March 2020, you can respond to the census by answering a handful of questions online, by phone, or by mail.

The online questionnaire is accessible to people with a wide range of disabilities. If you prefer to respond by mail but do not receive a questionnaire in your first mailing from the U.S. Census Bureau, you can wait for the fourth mailing, in mid-April 2020, which will include a questionnaire.

- If you have blindness or low vision, you can print a guide to the questionnaire in braille or large print from 2020CENSUS.GOV.
- If you have deafness or a hearing loss, you can:
  - Respond to the census using telephone devices for hearing impaired.
  - Access video guides to the questionnaire in American Sign Language on 2020CENSUS.GOV.
  - View online videos and webcasts with closed or open captioning.
  - Request a visit from a census taker who uses ASL.
• 2020CENSUS.GOV is a 508-compliant website accessible to people with blindness or low vision, deafness or hearing loss, learning disabilities, cognitive limitations, limited movement, photosensitivity, and various combinations of these.
• From May – July 2020, Census takers will visit households that have not yet responded. A census taker can assist if you need help completing your form.

Responding helps influence funding for your community.
The 2020 Census will influence community funding and congressional representation for the next decade. Information collected in the census will inform the allocation of more than $675 billion in federal funds for states and communities each year. That includes money for things like:

• Public transportation
• Libraries
• Education programs
• Medicare and Medicaid
• Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)
• Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)

Responding is safe.
Your personal information is kept confidential by law. Your responses can only be used to produce statistics. They cannot be used for law enforcement purposes or to determine your personal eligibility for government benefits.

For more information, visit the Census Bureau at www.2020census.gov.