

Census 2020

YOU COUNT

VOLUSIA COUNTS. **EVERYBODY** COUNTS.

What you need to know about Census 2020

✓ It's easy.

The 2020 census form asks a few simple questions about members of your household, including name, gender, age, race/ethnicity, and whether you rent or own your home. For the first time, households will have the option of responding online, by phone or by mail.

✓ It's safe.

Census forms are confidential for 72 years and cannot be shared with anyone, including welfare and immigration agencies, any court of law, and law-enforcement agencies. There are harsh penalties for anyone who discloses information that can identify a respondent.

✓ It's important.

Census data will be used to draw school districts, establish state legislative districts, and determine the number of seats each state has in the U.S. House of Representatives.

✓ It helps fund community services.

The data will determine how more than \$675 billion in federal funds will be distributed to local governments each year. Local governments use census data to allocate funding for education, public safety, housing, roads, public transportation and other community services. An undercounting of even 1,000 residents could mean a loss of millions of dollars to our community.

Make sure <u>you</u> count!

Return your census form by April 1, 2020.



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