

## WHAT IS THE 2020 CENSUS?

The census is a government survey conducted once every ten years that counts the population of the United States and gathers valuable statistics that can be used toward the long-term improvement of our nation. The next census will be conducted starting April 1, 2020, and it is important that as many New Yorkers as possible complete it.

#### WHY DOES IT MATTER?

- The results of the census determine how much federal funding a state gets, distributed from over \$675 billion annually. The more New Yorkers fill out the census, the more funding we get!
- The census determines how many congressional seats and electoral votes a state is afforded. The more New Yorkers fill out the census, the better represented we will be!





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# WHAT IS THE CENSUS USEFUL FOR:

- Local legislators use the data collected by the census to ensure **public safety** and plan and build **new schools and hospitals.**
- Corporations use the data collected by the census to plan and build new housing, commercial retail, and office spaces - all of which create new jobs.
- City planners use the data collected by the census to plan for future development and ensure fair distribution of social services.
- Our nation gets just one chance each decade to count its population.

# WHAT ABOUT THAT IMMIGRATION QUESTION?

- Recently, the federal administration tried to add a question that requires people to disclose their citizenship status. However, the Supreme Court has blocked this attempt, and the federal government has given up on including the question in the census. No immigration question will appear on the 2020 census.
- Regardless, by law, the U.S. Census Bureau cannot share your status with immigration enforcement agencies (ICE) or allow it to determine whether or not you can receive government benefits or aid.

# WHERE CAN I LEARN MORE?

Nonprofits to help you know and defend your rights:

American Civil Liberties Union: (212)-549-2500

**New York Civil Liberties Union:** (212)-607-3300

**New York Immigration Coalition:** (212)-627-2227

Central American Legal Services (Attorneys on Staff): (718)-486-6800

Northern Manhattan Improvement Corporation: (212)-822-8300

**The Legal Aid Society:** (212)-577-3300

Immigration Helpline 1(844)-955-3425

CUNY Citizenship Now!: (212)-650-6620

For More Information Visit: https://www.census.gov/partners/2020.html

> **Or Call: The Census Bureau** 301-763-INFO (4636) English: 800-923-8282 Spanish: **877-EL-CENSO**

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# **JOB OPPORTUNITIES:**

Jobs include census takers, recruiting assistants, office staff, and supervisory staff.

Candidates must complete an online job application. The application includes assessment questions about your education, work, and other experience.

To be eligible for a 2020 Census job, you must:

- Be at least 18 years old.
- Have a valid Social Security number.
- Be a U.S. citizen.
- Have a valid email address.
- Complete an application and answer assessment questions. (Some assessment questions are available in Spanish. However, an English proficiency test may also be required.)Be registered with the Selective Service System or have a qualifying exemption, if you are a male born after Dec. 31, 1959.
- Pass a Census-performed criminal background check and a review of criminal records, including fingerprinting.
- Commit to completing the training.
- Be available to work flexible hours, which can include days, evenings, and/or weekends.

Most jobs require employees to have access to a computer with internet and an email account (to complete training).