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Fairfield County Encourages a Complete Count for the US Censuses

Lancaster, Ohio - Being counted in the upcoming US Census is important to ensure adequate resources make their way to various county and local programs that serve residents.

While US Census day is April 1, self-response begins on **March 23rd** and continues through July.

By April 1, every home is expected to have received an invitation to participate in the national population count. Once those invitations arrive, people may respond online, by telephone or by mail. The respective telephone numbers, mailing addresses, and web addresses for residents to use when responding will be provided in the invitations mailed to residences.

Commission President, Steve Davis, stated “The method of responding is up to the individual, but we really need for people to respond so that we have an accurate count for Fairfield County.”

Federal funds for grants to states, counties, and communities are based on population totals and breakdowns by sex, age, race and other factors. A community benefits the most when the census counts everyone.

The Fairfield County Commissioners have created multiple tools to encourage residents to participate in the US Census. There are videos at <https://www.co.fairfield.oh.us/>

Also, please see the attached fact sheet about how the federal government will invite citizens to participate.

You can visit 2020Census.Gov for information about the census.

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