The personal information you give to the 2020 Census will be kept safe and private.

- Federal law states that data collected by the census is confidential and will remain anonymous.
- Census data is used by the government to paint a picture of community demographics.
- Census data cannot be used against any person by any government agency or court.
- All census workers are required to take an oath of non-discloser that protects your confidential answers. Punishment for mishandling census data is up to a $250,000 fine and up to five years in federal prison.

In March 2020, every mailing address in the United States will receive a letter from the U.S. Census requesting that you provide the following information:
- How many people are living in your home on April 1, 2020
- Whether your home is owned or rented
- Gender, race, age, ethnic group, and relationship status

Every person in the U.S., both citizens and non-citizens, is required by law to fill out the 2020 Census form, which you can do using a mailed-in form, the U.S. Census webpage, or phoning the Census Bureau. You will not be asked if you are a U.S. citizen.