

PUBLIC SAFETY ALERT



It has come to our attention that individuals identifying themselves as employees of the U.S. Census Bureau are entering the buildings and requesting personal information from residents.

Please note, the Census Bureau is not visiting individual homes at this time. According to the Bureau, this will take effect between May & July of this year for those households who have not responded via phone, mail or online.

Please avoid holding the door for people you do not know and be mindful of individuals seeking to "piggy back" after you open and walk through the door. These individuals may have criminal intent.

Please find below important dates as per the U.S. Census Bureau:

2020

- January 21: The U.S. Census Bureau starts counting the population in remote Alaska. The count officially begins in the rural Alaskan village of Toksook Bay.
- March 12 20: Households will begin receiving official Census Bureau mail with detailed information on how to respond to the 2020 Census online, by phone, or by mail.
- March 30 April 1: The Census Bureau will count people who are experiencing homelessness over these three days. As part of this process, the Census Bureau counts people in shelters, at soup kitchens and mobile food vans, on the streets, and at non-sheltered, outdoor locations such as tent encampments.
- **April 1:** Census Day is observed nationwide. By this date, every home will receive an invitation to participate in the 2020 Census. Once the invitation arrives, you should respond for your home in one of three ways: online, by phone, or by mail. When you respond to the census, you'll tell the Census Bureau where you live as of April 1, 2020.
- April: Census takers will begin visiting college students who live on campus, people living in senior centers, and others who live among large groups of people. Census takers also begin conducting quality check interviews to help ensure an accurate count.
- <u>May July: Census takers will begin visiting homes that haven't responded to the 2020 Census to help make</u> <u>sure everyone is counted.</u>
- **December:** The Census Bureau will deliver apportionment counts to the President and Congress as required by law.

2021

March 31: By this date, the Census Bureau will send redistricting counts to states. This information is used to redraw legislative districts based on population changes.

RESIDENTS & GUESTS SHOULD STORE THE BST DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY'S EMERGENCY NUMBER WITHIN THEIR CELLPHONES. PLEASE REPORT SUSPICIOUS BEHAVIOR AND SUSPICIOUS INDIVIDUALS WALKING THROUGHOUT THE PROPERTY & PARKING LOTS TO OUR EMERGENCY LINE:

<u>718.335.8715</u>

ALL CALLS WILL BE HELD IN STRICT CONFIDENCE.