## CENSUS 2020 will be finished on September 30th

We have only 6 weeks get our community counted! Yep, we have until the end of next month to count.

Why does the 2020 Census COUNT?

- \$\$\$ Because the census information is used to allocate federal and state **FUNDING** for services that benefit you or someone you care about.
- \$\$\$ Government agencies use census information to distribute taxpayer benefits back out to the communities we live in.
- \$\$\$ In 2009, the Census Bureau reported that more than \$400 BILLION of federal funds were distributed ANNUALLY using this information.

If we in the north coast are undercounted, we may not get our share of health, educational services, and economic development funding!

State and federal lawmakers are allocated according to the numbers of people counted in the census. The number of representatives we have in Congress is determined by how many people live here.

It's our constitutional right!

Ways to complete the census:

By mail: Just fill out the paper form you received in the mail several weeks ago. Or if you can't find it or did not receive it, try these options—

On-line: <a href="https://my2020census.gov/">https://my2020census.gov/</a> By smartphone,

tablet, or computer

By phone: 844-330-2020 (English)



Federal Assistance Distributed Using Census Bureau Data in FY 2015. https://2020census.ca.gov/resources

# **Potential Benefits**

#### Rural Investment

- Rural Business Enterprise Grants
- Water & Waste Disposal Systems
- Rural Education
- Rural Cooperative Development Grants

## **Economic Development**

- Small Business Development Centers
- Community Development Block Grants

#### **Transportation**

- Highway Planning and Construction
- Federal Transit formula grants
- Federal Transit Capital Investment

### **COVID Response**

- Unemployment Insurance
- Dislocated Workers Funding
- Community Facilities Loans & Grants

#### Wildlands/Ecology/Water Resources

- Wildlife Restoration
- Rural Water & Waste Disposal Systems
- Assistance to Firefighters
- Fire Management Assistance
- Water Pollution Control
- Coastal Zone Management
- Hazardous Waste Management
- Emergency Watershed Protection Prog
- Emergency Water Assistance Grants
- Beach Monitoring & Notification Prog
- State Underground Water Source Protection
- Financing Water & Wastewater Projects
- National Fire Plan-WUI Fire Assistance

#### Education for Kids & Adults

- National School Lunch Program
- Grants to Local School Districts
- Special Education Grants to States
- Vocational Rehabilitation Grants
- School Breakfast Program
- Improving Teacher Quality
- Career & Technical Education
- Child Care Funding

In addition to these services, all sorts of community support is based on the census information—health care, mental health services, transportation planning, funding, & construction, help for crime victims, disaster preparedness and relief aid, the list goes on (more details at https://2020 census.ca.gov)