

2020 Census Littleton Talking Points

Why the Census Matters to Littleton

The Census is coming in 2020, and an accurate count is really important to the City of Littleton. The Census directly impacts funding Littleton will receive over the next decade. An accurate count equips Littleton for the future.

- Each year, Census data informs federal funding for more than 100 programs, including school lunches, highway construction, and education.
- Population counts determine the annual allocation of more than \$800 billion in federal investment to states, counties and cities. This includes Community Development Block Grants (CDBG) that have been used to rebuild many sidewalks with ADA ramps in the northeast part of Littleton. CDBG funds allotted to Littleton have also been used to support Doctor's Care, providing medical treatment to uninsured and under insured residents.
- Census counts also help determine areas eligible for housing assistance and rehabilitation loans.
- Medicaid, Section 8 housing assistance, the National School Lunch Program and Medicare Part B are all programs whose funding levels are based on Census counts.
- Communities with over 50,000 residents have access to grant funds to enhance traffic signal operations, support transit services for the disabled, and directly receive federal Community Development Block Grants.
- Census data is used for redistricting of state legislative districts.
- Census data is used in assisting federal, tribal, state, and local governments in planning and implementing programs, services, and emergency response.

Confidentiality

The Census Bureau is bound by Title 13 of the U.S. Code to keep all information confidential. Under Title 13, the Census Bureau cannot release any identifiable information about individuals, homes, or businesses, even to law enforcement agencies. The law ensures that all private data is protected and that answers cannot be used against individuals by any government agency or court.

Ways to Respond

For the first time, residents will be able to respond online, by phone, or by mail.

For More Information

<https://2020census.gov/>