

COUNT ME IN CHELMSFORD!



It is 2020, the year that the Federal Census will be conducted! To learn more about how the Federal Census directly impacts our community (especially your political representation), and to find out how your community group/religious group/nonprofit organization/business/volunteer group can help ensure that we have a complete count for the Census, please come to the 2020 Census Chelmsford Complete Count Kick-Off.

The Kick-Off will be **Friday, February 7th, 2020 from 10:30am-11:30am at the Chelmsford Center for the Arts** and feature questions and answers from the US Census Bureau, Chelmsford State Representative Tami Gouveia, Massachusetts House Chair of Redistricting Paul Mark, Office of Massachusetts Secretary of State, and members of the Chelmsford Complete Count Committee. All are welcome.

Census forms will be filled out between April 1st and July 31st – and for the first time in the history of the Federal Census, the forms can be filled out online. The Federal Census is incredibly important because it affects every state, city, and town in our country. The Federal Census will determine such things as: the allocation of more than \$675 million dollars every year for state and local projects; the number and size of federal and state legislative districts; and the decisions by companies and government officials as to where to plan future developments and major projects.

It is critically important that all residents of the United States, no matter where they live, are counted so that decisions are made intelligently and funds are distributed fairly so that the needs of our country in the next ten years can be planned for and met equitably.

We hope to see you on February 7th! Questions and RSVPs can be directed to Emily Odgers (emily.odgers@mahouse.gov).