California Complete Count – Census 2020

Convening & Implementation Plan Workshop

August 14, 2019
El Centro
Department of Social Services (DPSS)
State Census 2020

Welcome & Opening Remarks
Agenda

• Welcome
• California Census Office
• US Census Bureau
• Landscape of Outreach Strategies
• From Strategy to Implementation
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Goal & Mission

U.S. Census Bureau

Ensure that everyone is counted once, only once, and in the right place.

California Complete Count

Ensure that Californians get their fair share of federal resources and Congressional representation by encouraging the full participation of all Californians in Census 2020.
The Separation of Roles

U.S. Census Bureau

• Canvasses and counts everyone living in the U.S.
• Ensures outreach and media campaigns inform everyone in the U.S.

California Complete Count – Census 2020

• Helps get the word out to the hardest-to-count Californians
• Ensures grassroots culturally appropriate outreach and multicultural, in-language media efforts in California
Role of the State

• Outreach to the hardest-to-count Californians
• Coordinate statewide with contracted partners and stakeholders
• Identify gaps, develop necessary tools, disseminate best practices
What’s at Stake for CA

**POWER!**

- Congressional Representation
- Reapportionment
- Redistricting

**MONEY!**

- An undercount could cost California $1000 per person annually
California’s Census 2020
10 Regions
California leaders have invested $187.2 million toward a statewide outreach and communication campaign.

More than any other state in the nation.

Most California has ever committed.
Funding Strategy

Goal is to **maximize** resources on the ground, which will:

- Build a strong base of trusted community voices
- Allow for increased in-person impressions in hard-to-count communities
- Facilitate culturally appropriate engagement within hard-to-count communities
- Break down language access barriers for non-English speaking populations
- Help combat disinformation campaigns
- Create a nimble program that allows for rapid responses and deployment of resources
Phased Approach for 2020

Phase 1: Convene, Collaborate, Capacity Build FY 2017-18

Phase 2: January December 2019 Educate & Motivate FY 2018 19
  a) January June 2019: (Educate)
  b) July December 2019: (Motivate)

Phase 3: January – March 11, 2020 Activate

Phase 4: March 12, 2020 – April 30, 2020
Self-Response “Be Counted”

Phase 5: May 1, 2020 – July 30, 2020
Non-Response Follow-Up “It’s not too late”

Phase 6: August 1, 2020 – June 30, 2021
Assess & Report
Critical Success Factors for 2020

• Understanding the new and challenging environment
• Convener, collaborator, coordinator
• Coordination and integration of outreach efforts at the state, local, and federal levels
• Leverage existing outreach opportunities
• Full commitment of all partners to bring the resources they have to ensure California has a complete count
• Accountability and performance measures for outreach and communications/media partners
• Language access
• Inter-sectoral collaborations and partnerships
Roles and Partnerships

- United States Census Bureau
- State of California
- California Legislature
- Local Government
  - Local Complete Count Committees
  - Counties
- Tribal Government
- Regional ACBOs and Statewide CBOs
- Sectors
- Education
- Media
What You Can Do Right Now

- Designate a Census Coordinator/Lead
- **Build Partnerships and Collaborate with Counties, Cities, Local Complete Count Committees, Local CBOs and Foundations**
- Identify your Hard-to-Count Populations and Census Tracts
- Identify Existing Outreach Methods and Tools
- Connect with a State Regional Program Manager
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Why is important to participate in Census 2020?

- Census are done every 10 years to identify the population in every state.
- The Census determines HOW the House Representatives are allocated by each state.
- It determines the amount of funding needed by each community.
  - Social Security,
  - Medicare,
  - Medicaid,
  - Hospitals,
  - Roads,
  - Special Programs, etc.
Hard to Count Map

https://census.ca.gov/HTC-map/
Imperial County’s Update

- Strategic Plan Completed

- Kiosks will be available in different locations throughout the County of Imperial, including its seven cities.

- Each kiosk will have a computer and phone line (cell) to answer the Census questionnaire.

- Libraries will train at least one bilingual person to assist residents to complete the survey.

- Additional bilingual volunteers will be available in most kiosks to assist residents.
Kiosks locations in Imperial County
County’s Request for Proposals

- $156,439 is available for this RFP for the incorporated cities located in Imperial County.
- $71,109 is available for this RFP for the unincorporated areas in Imperial County.

Deadline to submit proposals: September 3, 2019 @ 5 pm
Cities RFP

- A total of $156,439 is available for this RFP for the incorporated cities located in Imperial County.
- 50% of these funds have been set aside to each city based on population and HTC population.
- The other 50% will be available on a competitive basis.
- Who can apply?
  i. Incorporated City of the Imperial County,
  ii. Non-profit organization, or
  iii. Co-application of incorporated City and non-profit organization (s)
- Deadline to submit proposals: September 3, 2019 @ 5 pm
Unincorporated Areas RFP

- A total of $71,109 is available for this RFP for the unincorporated areas in Imperial County.
- All funds are available on a competitive basis.
- Who can apply?
  - i. Nonprofit organizations,
  - ii. School districts, or
  - iii. Quechan Indian Tribe
- Deadline to submit proposals: September 3, 2019 @ 5 pm
What happens if you don’t participate in the Census 2020?

- Census Bureau staff will visit your home to complete the Census questionnaire.
- Incomplete questionnaires will also receive visits from the Census Bureau.

Remember: WE ALL COUNT!
Questions?
State Census 2020

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United Way of San Diego
United Way of San Diego County

CountMe2020.org
Count Me 2020 is a coalition of over 150+ (& growing) community based organizations working to ensure a complete and accurate 2020 Census count in San Diego and Imperial Counties.
Committed to a Fair and Accurate 2020 Census

Background

● Region 10 is hardest to count Statewide
  ○ Imperial is the 1st hardest to count (out of 58)
  ○ Historical, substantial undercount
  ○ US/Mexico Border, trans-border identities
  ○ Low/no broadband access
  ○ High % of limited English proficiency

● 150+ Coalition Members strong (>300 individuals)

● UWSD awarded $1.66 in funding by the California Complete Count – Census 2020 Office to support outreach and education to San Diego and Imperial counties
Achieve a Complete & Accurate Count

Strategy

- Mobilize expertise and uplift evidence-based approaches.
- Promote access to holistic support resources, strengthen cultural bonds, and respond to language needs.
- Provide and support
  - Training, materials, and technical assistance to CBO’s and other trusted messengers
  - Communications and media coverage
  - Outreach events throughout the county
  - Management for data infrastructure and technology support
The key is to outreach through existing infrastructure and community partners, where community is considered the trusted messengers, with deep relationships and knowledge of critical populations to ensure all are counted.
Imperial Focus

- **Outreach**: Hardest to Count up to 133,184 individuals across 25 (out of 30) Census Tracts.

- **Organize**: Nurture trust, engagement, buy-in, and civic participation to reach, educate, motivate, and activate individuals who are traditionally excluded and undercounted.

- **Coordinate**: Governments, cities, businesses, and other efforts.

*We welcome all who care about our communities’ representation and proper funding distribution.*
Count Me 2020 Structure

ACBO: United Way of San Diego County
- Executive Committee
- Community-Based Orgs (Subcontractors)
- CA Census Statewide Contractors
- Community Partners
- Regional Volunteers

Work Groups:
- Subcontractor Evaluation: Evaluation, Review, Selection
- Strategic Planning & Implementation: Plan prep, Data Evaluation & Targeting, Training Development, Outreach Management, Technology, Language Access, NRFU
- Collaboration & Coordination: Entity coordination, Volunteers, Recruitment, Outside Support
- Communications, Events, Outreach: Comms Materials, Outreach Experiments, QAK/QAC
- Imperial County: Special Focus

US Census Bureau | CA Census Office | SANDAG | County Partners
SubContract Applications

Under Review:
64 Outreach Applications
$6.8 in total requests

Funds for Imperial County
- Imperial 15% of funding available
- $153,000
  - 5 Imperial based, 5 San Diego based

Proposed work:
- Conduct work in and/or across Region 10, focus on HTC populations in the identified census tracts/blocks, and are trusted messengers.

Priority will be placed on:
- Organizations that have a proven track record in working with HTC populations, community organizing, movement building and/or working as part of a coalition.
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Count Me 2020 Quarterly Meetings
https://www.countme2020.org/events
- October 29, 2019
- January 28, 2020
- April 28, 2020
- July 28, 2020
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National Association of Latino Elected and Appointed Officials (NALEO)
NALEO Educational Fund was established in 1981, NALEO is the nation’s leading 501(c)(3) non-profit organization that facilitates full Latino participation in the American political process, from policy, research & advocacy, constituency services, to civic engagement.
The ¡Hágase Contar! Census 2020 Campaign is a national effort led and developed by NALEO Educational Fund.

Focused on regions with significant Hard-To-Count (HTC) Latino communities, the ¡Hágase Contar! Census 2020 campaign provides resources to partners.

- “Train-the-trainer” workshop opportunities
- State of the Census 2020 briefings
- Campaign material and promotional information
- Public awareness events and informational panels
- Digital and traditional media efforts
- National bilingual hotline – 877-EL-CENSO (877-352-3676);
- Informational Website: hagasecontar.org
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“CENSUS”
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JOIN OUR “GET OUT THE COUNT” SMS LIST

Standard messaging rates apply.

TAKE ACTION NOW!
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Gap Analysis

Take a look around the room, pick at least 3 areas you are familiar with (you may pick more).

Write on the paper any of the following:

- Community Organization or City Program that works in the area
- Primary Language spoken
- Challenge to the area completing the census
- Strategy to overcome challenge
Communications / Materials

“Be Counted CA”

National Week of Awareness

April 1st Census Day

Messaging & Research - How to deliver the message

Giveaways /Print Materials

Point Centers
## California Census 101

### Why is the 2020 Census important?

- **Every Californian counts:** The Census counts every person living in the U.S. once, only once, and in the right place.
- **It’s about fair representation:** Every 10 years, the results of the Census are used to reapportion the House of Representatives, determining how many seats each state gets.
- **It’s your civic duty:** Completing the Census is mandatory and it’s a way to participate in our democracy and say “My story counts!”
- **It’s about redistricting:** After each decade’s Census, state officials redraw the boundaries of the congressional and state legislative districts in their states to account for population shifts.
- **You are the expert – your responses help:** Your ideas are the best way to make sure everyone in your community gets counted.
- **Your data are confidential:** Federal law protects your Census responses. Your answers can only be used to produce statistics.

### How is the Census data used?

- To advocate more resources for community members.
- To ensure public safety and plan new schools and hospitals.
- To decide where to open companies and businesses, which create jobs.
- By law, the U.S. Census Bureau cannot share the data with immigration or law enforcement agencies or allow it to determine eligibility for government benefits.

### How can you make a difference now?

- Use social media to spread the message
- Incorporate messaging into community events and meetings
USCB FAQs

VIII. USCB FAQ

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Is my information safe?
• Your census responses are safe and secure
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  o Answers cannot be used for law enforcement purposes or to determine your personal eligibility for government benefits.
• By law, your responses cannot be used against you
  o Census responses cannot be used against you by any government agency or court in any way – not by the FBI, CIA, DHS nor ICE.

What’s the U.S. Census Bureau’s overall timeline?
• January – March 2019: The U.S. Census Bureau opens 39 area census offices. These offices open early to support Address Canvassing.
• June – September 2019: The Census Bureau opens the remaining 209 area census offices. The offices support and manage the census takers who work all over the country to conduct the census.
• August 2019: The Census Bureau conducts in-field address canvassing. Census takers visit areas that have added or lost housing in recent years to ensure that the Census Bureau’s address list is up to date.
• January 2020: The Census Bureau begins counting the population in remote Alaska.
• April 1, 2020: Census Day is observed nationwide. By this date, households will receive an invitation to participate in the 2020 Census. You’ll then have three options for responding: online, by mail, or by phone.
• April 2020: Census takers begin following up with households around selected colleges and universities. Census takers also begin conducting quality check interviews.
• May 2020: The Census Bureau begins following up with households that have not responded.
• December 2020: The Census Bureau delivers apportionment counts to the president.

What will the USCB send in the mail?
• March 15-20: Households will receive an invitation to respond online to the 2020 Census. Some households will also receive paper questionnaires.
• March 16-24: A reminder letter will be sent.
• If you haven’t responded yet:
  o March 25-April 3: A reminder postcard will be sent.
  o April 6-16: A reminder letter and paper questionnaire will be sent.
  o April 20-27: A final reminder postcard before the USCB follows up in person.
• Every household that hasn’t already responded will receive reminder sand will eventually receive a paper questionnaire.
• It doesn’t matter which initial invitation you get or how – the USCB will follow up in person with all households that don’t respond.
Goals of Media Campaign

Goals of the media campaign is to compliment the ground strategy:

1. Support a complete 2020 Census count focusing on California’s HTC communities
2. Support regional outreach efforts and collaborate with ACBOs, CBOs, and local governments
3. Educate and prepare for Nonresponse Follow-up period
4. Deliver focused messaging
5. Ensure all communications and advertising are culturally and linguistically competent
6. Developing rapid response strategies
7. Track and dispel misinformation
8. Complement (but not duplicate) the advertising and marketing campaigns by the U.S. Census Bureau, community-based organizations, local governments and philanthropic entities
9. Support regional and local outreach efforts by creating collateral and providing media support
10. Advance California for All brand
Thank you Region Ten partners!!
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