Public Safety Announcement

2020 Census Bureau

Starting in the Spring of this year, the Census Bureau will be conducting their count of the population. The Census Bureau is a nonpartisan government agency that counts the population of the 50 states and five U.S. territories. Each home will receive an invitation to respond to a short questionnaire—online, by phone, or by mail. The Census Bureau will not contact you on behalf of a political party.

Unfortunately, Scam artists have used this time to impersonate Census employees in attempts to obtain your personally identifying information or to commit distraction burglaries.

- The Census Bureau will not send unsolicited emails to request your participation in the 2020 Census.
- The 2020 Census further will never ask for:
  - Your Social Security number.
  - Bank account or credit card numbers.
  - Money or donations.
- If someone visits your home to collect a response for the 2020 Census, the following are ways to identify the person as a Census Employee:
  - First, check to make sure that they have a valid ID badge, with their photograph, a U.S. Department of Commerce watermark, and expiration date.
  - If you still have questions about their identity, you can call 800-923-8282 to speak with a local Census Bureau representative.
  - If the visitor who came to your door does not work for the Census Bureau or you are uncertain if the subject at your door is a Census employee, contact the Greenwich Police Department at 203-622-8004.

Important 2020 Census Bureau Dates:
- **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.
- **April 1:** 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.
- **April:** Census takers also begin conducting quality check interviews to help ensure an accurate count.
- **May - July:** Census takers will begin visiting homes that haven’t responded to the 2020 Census to help make sure everyone is counted. An accurate population count ensure proper Congress representation and funding to the States.

If you suspect fraud, call 800-923-8282 to speak with a local Census Bureau representative. The Greenwich Police Department can always be contacted 24 hours at 203-622-8804 or in the event of an emergency 911. For more information regarding the 2020 Census visit [https://2020census.gov/en.html](https://2020census.gov/en.html).