# California Community Colleges Prepare for Census 2020



Ensure that Californians get their fair share of federal resources and representation by encouraging the full participation of all Californians in Census 2020 – by counting everyone once and in the right place.

# Why the Census Matters

- The federal government uses census data to distribute more than \$400 billion dollars annually to states for schools, roads, hospitals and community services.
- California Community Colleges receive over \$3 billion dollars annually in Federal Student Aid.
- By providing accurate information to the federal government, California's students will benefit – especially those schools with a high percentage of lower-income students.
- It is estimated that each person counted brings \$2,000 annually in federal dollars to California – that's \$20,000 for over 10 years, per person.

# Actions You Can Take

## Spread the Word! The Census is coming, it counts. So do you.

- Census information is CONFIDENTIAL and protected under Title 13 of the U.S. Code. The Census Bureau cannot release any identifiable information about individuals, households, or business, even to law enforcement agencies.
- Every Californian counts equally... Regardless of status.
- The Census questionnaire takes 10 minutes to complete.

### CREATE CAMPUS RESOLUTIONS TO SUPPORT THE CENSUS

https://census.ca.gov/resources/ (UNDER KICK-OFF ACTIVITIES)

# Census Day is April 1, 2020 Challenges:

First Digital Census Online



Limited
Language
Access



Data Privacy Concerns



### WHAT CAN STUDENTS DO?

\*Join a Local Complete Count Committee:

### census.ca.gov/regions/

- \*Work for the U.S. Census
  Bureau: 2020census.gov/en/jobs
- \*Join the Conversation: #2020Census; #BecountedCA #CACensus #CaliforniaforAll
- \*Post Census banners and badges on your websites, blogs and social media
- \*Create safe and fun spaces and events for students to fillout online census forms
- \*Campus Toolkit Coming July



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