Top 5 Reasons

#CountAllKids

1. **It’s a once in a decade opportunity.**

   The 2010 Census missed a total of 2.2 million children in the US, 25,197 in PA alone. 10% of all children under age 5 in the U.S. were missed in the previous Census.

   10 years are how long the consequences of undercounting children will last; most of their childhood.

2. **Funding our future.**

   Data from the Census will be used to distribute more than $800 billion in federal resources a year. It will determine where schools, roads, and hospitals are built, and support critical programs like Medicaid, CHIP, foster care, special education, and child care.

   For each kid not counted in the previous census, Pennsylvania lost $1,746 in federal funding; resulting in a nearly $44 million loss.

3. **It’s safe and easy!**

   Your responses are protected by law. Releasing an individual’s data is punishable by 5 years of jail or a $250,000 fine.

   It only takes about 10 minutes and you can fill out the census online, by phone, or by mail at your own pace.

   Online forms and telephone lines are available in 13 languages and language guides in 60 languages.

4. **You vote, don’t you?**

   Census data is used to determine how many congressional seats are apportioned among the states, and fair political representation in congress, state and local legislative bodies.

5. **If we all count, we all win.**

   107,000 PA children living with someone who is not their biological or adoptive parent.

   Kids living in “hard-to-count” areas.

   Kids with disabilities.

   Kids of all ages, including newborns.

   Kids of any religion and nationality, no matter how long they have been living in the U.S.

   16,000 children in PA’s foster care system.

   10% of all children under age 5 in the U.S. were missed in the previous Census.

If there is a child living in your home on April 1, 2020, that kid counts!

Visit CountAllKids.org for more information.