



Harrison County Development Corporation

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Thoughts from the Director.....

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The Coronavirus is still affecting many aspects of our lives. Events have been postponed or cancelled for a number of organizations and communities this summer. Things will continue to be different than usual as we all find our new normal. But one thing is still going on—the 2020 Census. Did you know that for each person who is not counted, the State of Iowa loses \$17,000 in federal funds alone? The impact on our communities and the county is immense. Please make sure you have been counted. Remind everyone you know and ask others to be counted as well. It really does affect everyone of us, from every town, in every county across the entire United States. Remember by working together we can accomplish great things. Let's make it happen!



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Census data shapes programs related to the following:

- Rural education.
- Rural business enterprise grants.
- Rural home rental assistance.
- Water and waste disposal systems for rural communities.
- State wildlife grants.
- Rural housing preservation grants.
- Hunter education and safety.

* Source 2020Census.gov

Children and the Census.....



At last count, an estimated 13.4 million children under the age of 18 lived in rural areas across the United States. The 2020 Census will help update that picture, illustrating the number of children across the country, and where exactly they are living. These results can make a direct impact on children's lives, shaping resources for health insurance programs, hospitals, child care, food assistance, schools, and early childhood development programs. *Source 2020Census.gov

Programs Influenced by U.S. Census Bureau Data

The 2020 Census can help shape the future of your community. Your responses inform how the following programs are funded every year.

The programs listed below are examples from the “Uses of Census Bureau Data in Federal Funds Distribution”* report, which provides estimates of the federal funds distributed each year in whole or in part using 2010 U.S. Census Bureau data.



Community Support

Section 8 Housing Assistance
Payment Programs



Family Services

Child Abuse and Neglect
State Grants



Education

Head Start



Food Assistance

Supplemental Nutrition
Assistance Program (SNAP)



Employment

Unemployment Insurance



Healthcare

Medical Assistance
Program (Medicaid)



Entrepreneurship

Small Business
Development Centers



Infrastructure

Highway Planning
and Construction



Environment

State Wildlife Grants



Public Safety

Assistance to
Firefighters Grant

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*<https://www.census.gov/library/working-papers/2017/decennial/census-data-federal-funds.html>