



SHAPE OUR CHILDREN'S FUTURE

starting with the 2020 Census

Children are our community's most treasured resource and they deserve all the support they can get during their early years.

Responding to the 2020 Census is an easy, safe and important way to help provide resources for children and their communities for the next 10 years. The census impacts our local community in several important ways:



OUR REPRESENTATION

Determines the number of legislators Maryland has in the U.S. House of Representatives and impacts local legislative districts



OUR FUNDING

Provides the basis for funding roads, schools, SNAP/WIC, CHIP, Medicaid and many other critical programs and services



OUR FUTURE

Assists local decision-making for school and transportation projects, as well as public health, public safety and emergency planning

For each adult and child not counted, we miss out on about \$18,250 per person in federal funding over the next 10 years.

When newborn babies and children are not counted, support for programs such as health insurance, hospitals, childcare, food assistance, schools and early childhood development is impacted.

TO LEARN MORE:

www.CalvertCountyMd.gov/Census

Contact the U.S Census Bureau at 800-923-8282.



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What Do I Need To Do?

The census will count all residents, of every age, where they live and sleep on April 1, 2020.

MARCH 12 – 20

You will receive an invitation to complete the census. Respond online or by phone.

MARCH 16 – APRIL 3

Fill out your census questionnaire. You will receive reminders from the Census Bureau by mail.

APRIL 1

Census Day
A paper questionnaire will be sent in a few days if you haven't responded.

The U.S. Census Bureau will mail reminders from mid-March through the end of April. After that, a Census Bureau representative will follow up with you in person.

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Make sure children in your home are counted in the right place.

Count children at the address where they live and sleep most of the time.

- If a child's time is divided between more than one home, count them where they stay most often. If their time is evenly divided, count them where they are staying on Census Day – April 1, 2020.
- If a child's family is moving during March or April 2020, count them at the address where they are living on April 1, 2020.
- Count children in your home if they don't have a permanent place to live and are staying in your home on April 1, 2020, even if they are only staying with you temporarily.
- Count newborn babies at the home where they will live and sleep most of the time, even if they are still in the hospital on April 1, 2020.
- Count children living with you even if they aren't supposed to be there. The U.S. Census Bureau is required by law to keep all information confidential – even from other government agencies.

Preparing for a Complete Count

Calvert County is committed to ensuring every resident is counted in order to provide excellent public services and resources.

The Board of County Commissioners has established a complete count committee, which includes representatives from county government agencies, nonprofit organizations, community organizations, faith-based organizations, the hospital and public library.

The Calvert County Complete Count Committee is creating tools and programs to help all residents learn about and complete the census. Discover upcoming events and find more information online at www.CalvertCountyMd.gov/Census.

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