

EVERYONE COUNTS

WHO?

Everyone who resides in Johnson County on April 1, 2020 should be counted in the decennial census. This includes students, citizens, non-citizens...everyone who is living in this country on that day. It does not include people who are just visiting. It includes grandparents, parents and every child.

WHY?

The census count is used to decide how much money is allocated to a State, County, or local area for things such as housing programs, education, funding for streets and bicycle paths and sewer projects and water projects, and assistance programs for people in need. The census determines how many representatives we get in Congress, which can be critical to meeting the needs and desires of Iowans. The census information is used by schools to project how many teachers are needed and by businesses to decide on how many jobs to create or expansions to invest in. As residents of the United States, it is our civic duty to complete the census forms. The individual information on the forms is NOT shared with any other government agency besides the Census Bureau; this is the law.

HOW?

- 1] In mid-March a letter will be sent to each known address with a code to be used to fill in the census form on-line.
- 2] If the form is not filled out on line by April 1, a form will be sent to this same address.
- 3] If still no form is received, a census taker will come to the door in person to help fill out the form. Though you can only fill out the form once, everyone will have three opportunities to participate in this very important process.