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FROM THE ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR FOR
DECENNIAL CENSUS PROGRAMS

Dear Mr. Paul Roen:

The U.S. Census Bureau invites your government to participate in the 2020 Census New Construction Program (New Construction Program). The New Construction Program provides tribal, state, and local governments an opportunity to update the Census Bureau's residential address list with living quarters for which construction is in progress during or after March 1, 2018 and completion is expected by Census Day, April 1, 2020.

The New Construction Program is a voluntary program. The Census Bureau strongly encourages your participation for the following reasons:

- The federal government allocates over \$675 billion in federal funds annually for infrastructure, programs, and services based on the Census Bureau data.
- Participation ensures that your government will gain valuable information that will aid in making decisions about education, health services, and housing.
- Participation helps to ensure an accurate population count for your government. The Census Bureau relies on a complete and accurate address list to reach every living quarters and associated population for inclusion in the decennial census.

If your government chooses to participate, please follow the actions steps outlined in this letter.

Action Steps:

1. Review the enclosed *2020 Census New Construction Program Flyer* for further information that may assist your government in deciding whether to participate in this program.
2. Sign-up for the 2020 Census New Construction Program in order to designate a liaison by either:
 - a. Filling out the online *2020 Census New Construction Program Registration Form* at <https://www.census.gov/programs-surveys/decennial-census/about/new-construction.html>.
 - b. Filling out the enclosed *2020 Census New Construction Program Registration Form* and return the completed form in the enclosed prepaid envelope or scan and email the form to GEO.2020.NC@census.gov before June 14, 2019.



The Census Bureau will begin shipping New Construction Program materials to registered participants in September 2019. New Construction Program submissions must be received no later than 45 calendar days after receipt of the New Construction Program materials.

If your government has already registered to participate in the New Construction Program, your response to this inquiry is not required. If you have questions regarding the New Construction Program, please contact the Census Bureau by email at GEO.2020.NC@census.gov or by telephone at 1-844-242-1765.

Sincerely,



Albert E. Fontenot, Jr.
Associate Director for
Decennial Census Programs

Enclosures:

1. *2020 Census New Construction Program Flyer* (NC-F-101)
2. *2020 New Construction Registration Form* (NC-F-100)
3. Prepaid envelope

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Sierra County

REGISTRATION FORM
2020 Census New Construction Program

*Please complete this form and return it to the U.S. Census Bureau by email at
GEO.2020.NC@census.gov or by using the provided prepaid envelope.*

A. PARTICIPATION INFORMATION (Please select option 1 or option 2)

1. YES, our government would like to participate in the New Construction Program

(Select one method of participation for reference only and complete Sections B and C.)

- We will download the Geographic Update Partnership Software (GUPS) or Partnership Shapefiles (for use with our own Geographic Information System (GIS) from the website.)
- We will use Partnership Shapefiles provided by the Census Bureau (including GUPS program disc for users without GIS software on CD/DVD.)
- We will use Reference PDF Maps on CD/DVD.

2. NO, our government is not participating. (Check the box below if another government is responding on your behalf and complete Section B.)

- Another government is participating on our behalf.

(Please print government name)

B. OFFICIAL RESPONDING TO THE NEW CONSTRUCTION PROGRAM INVITATION (Please print)

Name of Official - (First, Middle initial, Last)

Signature of Official

Position/Title - (e.g., Commissioner, Mayor, Supervisor, etc.)

Telephone

Area code/Number

Extension

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Email address

Date

Month

Day

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C. LIAISON INFORMATION

Please designate your official New Construction Program liaison (work contact) by providing the following information. (Please print)

Name (First, Middle initial, Last)

Position/Title - (e.g., Director, Assessor, Planner, etc.)

Telephone

Area code/Number

Extension

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Email address

Department, Organization, or Agency name - (e.g., Planning and Zoning, Regional Planning Agency; please do not abbreviate)

Shipping Address (House number and Street name; the Census Bureau will ship all materials via FedEx. FedEx will not deliver to P.O. Box numbers or P.O. ZIP Codes.)

City

State

ZIP Code



We estimate that completing this program will take a total of 48 hours on average. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to GEO.2020.NC@census.gov. This collection has been approved by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). The eight digit OMB approval number that appears at the upper right of the form confirms this approval. If this number were not displayed, we could not conduct this survey. The Census Bureau conducts this program under the legal authority of the Title 13 U.S. Code, Section 141 (a). The Census Bureau is not permitted to publicly release your responses in a way that could identify your business, organization, or institution. Per the Federal Cybersecurity Enhancement Act of 2015, your data are protected from cybersecurity risks through screening of the systems that transmit your data.

2020 Census New Construction Program

What Is the New Construction Program?

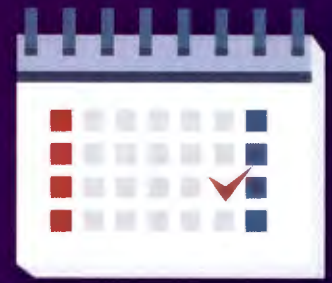
The New Construction Program will help ensure that the U.S. Census Bureau's address list is as complete and accurate as possible by Census Day, April 1, 2020. The New Construction Program is the opportunity for you to submit city-style mailing addresses for new units where construction began during or after March 1, 2018 and the address was not submitted to the Census Bureau as part of another geographic partnership program since March 2018. Addresses must have basic construction (closing the structure to the elements) completed by Census Day.



helps to ensure an accurate population count in your community; helps the government distribute more than \$675 billion in funds annually for infrastructure, programs, and services; and helps your community plan for future needs.

Who Can Participate?

The New Construction Program is offered to federally recognized tribes with a reservation and/or off-reservation trust lands, states, counties, cities (legally incorporated places), and townships (minor civil divisions) that contain blocks where the Census Bureau plans to mail questionnaires to housing units for the 2020 Census. In other areas, the Census Bureau will have enumerators deliver 2020 Census questionnaires to all housing units in each block and record addresses for any new housing units.



Schedule

- April–May 2019: Mail out of invitation phase materials to participants.
- September 2019: Mail out and review of response materials to participants. Participants have 45 calendar days from the receipt of materials to complete their review.
- September 2019: Census Bureau will provide training Webinars to participants.
- November 2019: Deadline for submitting addresses.
- April 1, 2020: Census Day.

Contact Information

E-mail address:

GEO.2020.NC@census.gov

Phone Number: 1-844-242-1765

Web site:

www.census.gov/programs-surveys/decennial-census/about/new-construction.html

How to participate.

Each invited government designates a New Construction Program liaison. The Census Bureau will send the New Construction Program liaison the New Construction Program materials.

The New Construction Program liaison must submit a list of city-style addresses, assigned to the census blocks within its jurisdiction in the Census Bureau's predefined format. Maps or spatial data are provided as a reference for assigning census tract and block codes (geocoding) for each submitted address. No street or boundary updates will be accepted. Address lists submitted without geocoding information will not be accepted.



Response options.

Basic digital option: The Geographic Update Partnership Software (GUPS) is a free, customized Geographic Information System (GIS) tool that can be downloaded from the Census Bureau Web site. It was specifically developed for participants who do not have geographic training or are not experienced GIS users.

Advanced digital option: Experienced GIS users can utilize their own GIS software. The Census Bureau provides free GIS files in shapefile format on its Web site, along with digital update guidelines. Governments can update those shapefiles in their GIS and use them to respond to the New Construction Program.



What's new?

State governments can now participate in the New Construction Program.

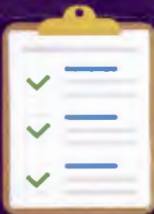
Now including:

Group Quarters: Places where people live or stay, in a group living arrangement, which is owned or managed by an entity or organization providing housing and/or services for the residents.

Transitory Locations: A location that is comprised of living quarters where people are unlikely to live year round, due to the transitory/temporary/impermanent nature of these living quarters.

Preparing for the New Construction Program

Ensure that your address list contains multiunit structure identifiers (such as apartment numbers for individual units) and that you can distinguish between residential addresses and nonresidential addresses.



Identify local address sources, such as building permits, E-911 address files, local utility records, annexation records, and assessment or taxation files.