An accurate count in the census helps make sure that communities get the services they need. Responding to the census yourself is a way to do your part and help keep your community strong.
THE CENSUS IS MORE IMPORTANT THAN EVER!

Many of the resources Georgians are relying on in the wake of COVID-19 are informed by census data, including:

**HEALTH CARE**
- Medicaid, PeachCare for Kids, and hospital funding

**FOOD ASSISTANCE**
- SNAP and WIC

**CHILD CARE**
- Georgia’s Childcare and Parent Services (CAPS) Program and Head Start

**WORKFORCE ASSISTANCE**
- Unemployment Insurance

**DISABILITY SERVICES**

COUNTING YOUNG CHILDREN ON THE CENSUS

Young children are increasingly undercounted in the census at rates higher than any other age group. How can you help make sure young children are counted in the right place?

- Count children in the home where they live and sleep most of the time, even if their parents don’t live there. 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, or you don’t know where they stay most often, count them where they were staying on April 1st, 2020.

- Count children in your home if they don’t have a permanent place to live and were staying in your home on April 1, 2020, even if they were only staying with you temporarily.

- Count newborn babies at the home where they live and sleep most of the time, even if they were still in the hospital on April 1, 2020.

Help us make sure all young children count!

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