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To: All Staff, Code 2A Date: September 10, 2020

From: Tish Gallegos, Community/Media Relations

Subject: Census 2020 – Final Push

This is a reminder to make sure you are included in the Census 2020 count for the next decade. Now in its final weeks, the census count officially ends on **Wednesday**, **September 30**th.

The census is extremely important to inform the government about the number of people who live in our area. A complete and accurate count is critical for determining how much money it allocates for education, housing, health care, roads and transportation, child and elderly services, and emergency assistance such as the response to COVID-19. Likewise, census information ensures the appropriate level of political representation. One or more of these areas is likely to affect you, your family and/or our customers.

Everyone can complete the census from home in about 10 minutes and it is free:

- 1. Visit my2020census.gov
- 2. Call (844) 330-2020
- 3. Complete the census form (you should have received at home in May and June)

Remember to include everyone living in your household as you answer the nine questions. The census does not ask about immigration status and does not share responses with any other agency or person.

As you interact with EHSD customers, you can remind them as well to respond to Census 2020 as soon as possible. To learn more about Census 2020 in Contra Costa, visit the <u>County website's census page</u>.

#CoCoCounts #CountMeIn #Census2020