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FINAL PUSH FOR UNITED STATES CENSUS 2020 WITH "EVERYONE COUNTS" WEEKEND CAMPAIGN

Community Organizations Across the City to Host Events this Saturday and Sunday to Promote the Census 2020

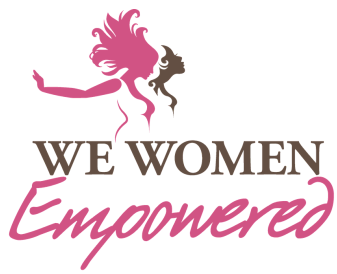
Chicago, IL – U.S. Representative Danny Davis, local aldermen, faith leaders, and community activists are coming together to host a series of events this weekend to encourage residents to complete their Census 2020 forms. In coordination with the Cook County Census 2020 and Census 2020 (U.S. Census Bureau), events will be held this Saturday, September 26, and Sunday, September 27 across the city. Please see below for times and locations.

Josephine "Mother" Wade, founder and President of We Women Empowered who is hosting a Census 2020 event at Josephine's Cooking on 79th Street in Chatham said, "It's important for our community to be counted because it impacts the quality of our schools, our roads, and infrastructure, and determines the level of funding and resources that we so desperately need."

The "Everyone Counts" campaign is a community-led effort that came about after reports of low response rates to the Census in many of Chicago's most underserved neighborhoods. The campaign aims to raise awareness of the importance of the Census and serves as a final push to drive Census participation before the U.S. Census Bureau (USCB) collection process ends on Wednesday, September 30. The census is conducted every ten years and helps to determine how billions of dollars in federal funding flow to states and communities as well as how many seats in Congress each state gets.

"The African American community faces many social injustices being amongst the most undercounted populations in the U.S. Census," said Reverend John Harrell, President of Black Men United and host of a Census 2020 event on the west side explained. "The fewer individuals counted creates further inequities and fewer opportunities for our communities to grow."

Organizing efforts are being led by Josephine "Mother" Wade, founder of We Women Empowered, Pastor John F. Harrell, Proviso Missionary Baptist Church and President of Black Men United, U.S. Representative Danny Davis (IL-7), Chicago's 3rd Ward Alderman Pat Dowell, 4th Ward Alderman Sophia King, 6th Ward Alderman Roderick Sawyer, 8th Ward Alderman Michelle Harris, 15th Ward Alderman Raymond Lopez, 17th Ward Alderman David Moore, 27th Ward Alderman Walter Burnett, 28th Ward Alderman Jason Ervin, 34th Ward Alderman Carrie Austin, 37th Ward Alderman Emma Mitts, Victor Love, Founder of Breaking Bread, Jahmal Cole, President and Founder of My Block My Hood My City, Wendy Hoover, Joyce Chapman, and Reverend Charles McKenzie.



**United States Census 2020 Chicago Push Because "Everyone Counts"
Complete List of Event Times and Locations**

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

9:00-10:00 am
67th and Richmond
Contact: Alderman David Moore

12:00 pm
115th and Halsted
Contact: Alderman Carrie Austin

1:00-3:00 pm
1432 W. 79th Street
Contact: Alderman David Moore

10:00 am-7:00 pm
Josephine's Cooking
436 E. 79th Street
Contact: Josephine Wade

12:00pm
Trumbull Park
2400 E. 105th Street
Contact: Roberto Vill

12:00pm
Ogden Park
6500 S. Racine Ave.

12:00 pm-4:00 pm
3800-3900 W. Madison Street
Contact: Rev. John Harrell

12:00 pm
4538 W. Fullerton Street
Contact: Rev. Ray Berryhill

12:00 pm
Gage Park
2411 E. 55th Street
Contact: Roberto Vill

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