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**Make the
Berkshires
Count!**

In 2020, the U.S. must count everyone in the country. It is called the Census. The Census will decide how much state and federal dollars are sent to our area for a wide range of programs. Some of the programs that use Census data include

- School funding
- Free and Reduced Lunch programs
- Head Start
- MassHealth, Medicare and Medicaid
- Temporary Assistance for Needy Families
- Public Transportation funding



If you do not fill out the Census, these programs could lose money in our area. We need you to be counted!

You should have received a notice in the mail about the Census . Please go online to fill out the census. If you do not complete the Census, a worker will visit your home between May and July to get the information from you.

The Census needs to be completed for everyone living in your home. This includes newborns and all other children, and anyone who lives there even if they are not related to you, such as a roommate or partner. The Census is completely confidential and no personal information submitted is shared with any other government bodies.

This Census will be online for the first time. If you do not have a computer, check your local library, senior center, or city/town hall for hours when you can complete the census on a computer there. If you feel uncomfortable with the online survey and do not respond to it, a paper survey will be sent to you in the mail in early April that you can use instead.

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Please make sure you fill out your Census form online or in paper.

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