

# The 2020 U.S. Census: Why Should You Care?

**\*The public is invited and employment opportunities with the U.S. Census Bureau will be discussed\***

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**WHERE:** Valencia Library, 202 West Valencia Road, Tucson, free parking

**WHEN:** January 19, 2019 – 9:30 AM social time, 10:00-11:45 AM panel

- Why is it so important to be counted in the 2020 Census?
- Do you have to answer the citizenship question?
- What are the different ways to fill out the Census form?
- What happens if you don't fill one out?

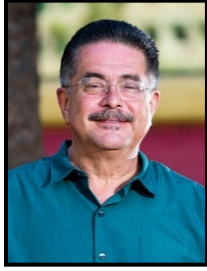
Hear from experts who will answer these questions and others you may have about the upcoming Census.



**Emily Verdugo**, U.S. Census Bureau, will explain the purpose of the Census and where/why in southern Arizona it's difficult to count everyone. She'll also discuss concerns, including the effect of citizenship questions and data security.



**Liane Hernandez**, Community Outreach and Education Director, YWCA Southern Arizona, will describe the YWCA's program for community outreach about the 2020 Census to promote maximum participation.



**Richard Elías**, Pima County Board of Supervisors Chairman, is helping the Census Bureau ensure that everyone in our area is counted in the 2020 Census. He is concerned because preparations for the 2020 Census have been plagued with lack of funds, top-level management instability, and a proposed citizenship question that would discourage Latino participation -- and historically Latinos, significant here, already have been undercounted far more than non-Latinos.

This program will be live streamed at [facebook.com/League-of-Women-Voters-of-Greater-Tucson](https://www.facebook.com/League-of-Women-Voters-of-Greater-Tucson)

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