

SHAPE YOUR FUTURE

COMPLETE THE CENSUS TODAY

Respond by mail, calling 844-330-2020
or going to my2020census.gov

WHAT?

The 2020 Census counts the population in the United States and five U.S. territories. The census provides critical data about demographics for the next 10 years to inform decisions that will impact our community.

WHY?

Data obtained from the census helps to inform where federal dollars are allocated for resources. If everyone in our community isn't counted, we will not receive the resources that are available and needed. Funding for many programs and services that our households and communities rely on such as Medicaid, SNAP, free/reduced lunch, elder services and childcare, is all determined by census data.

WHEN?

As soon as possible! You should have received your census invitation in the mail between March 12 and 20 with a 12-digit "Census ID" to fill out the census online. If you prefer a paper census form, you will receive one automatically if you didn't respond online or by phone in April. If you haven't submitted your census form, a census taker will come to your household to help fill it out with you in person.



More inside:

Learn more about the 2020 Census & how SECIA is here to support you during COVID-19.

2020 Census in SE Como

As of April 15th, 59% of SE Como residents completed the Census.

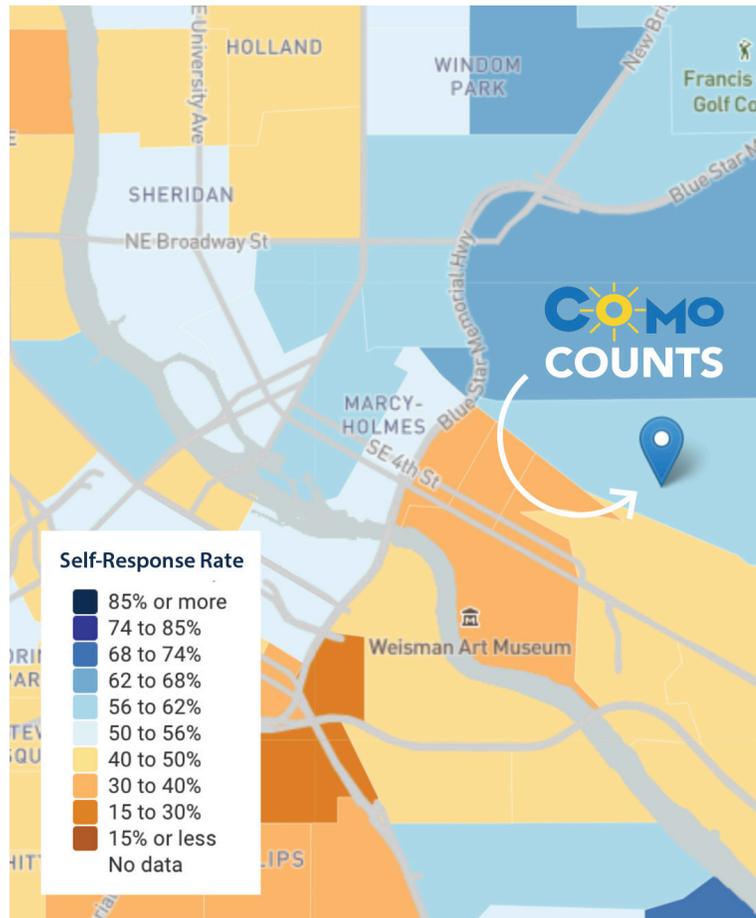
If you have not filled out the online Census questionnaire, you will be receiving a hard copy paper form in the mail.

Even though Como's current self-response rate exceeds the Nationwide response rate of 46.2%, there's still work to be done.

Thank you to all those who have completed the Census already!

Please share Census information with friends, families and neighbors.

This year the census is available in Spanish, Chinese, Vietnamese, Korean, Russian, Arabic, Tagalog, Polish, French, Haitian Creole, Portuguese, and Japanese.



16 million

The estimated number of people omitted from the census in 2010.

1.5 million

The estimated number of minorities omitted from the census in 2010.

\$4 trillion

The amount of federal funds directed by census data.

Historically undercounted groups include:

- Racial and ethnic minorities
- Those who don't speak/are not fluent in English
- People who are undocumented
- People who are low-income
- People experiencing homelessness
- Young and mobile people, including students
- Children
- People in the LGBTQ+ community

EVERYONE COUNTS!

Everyone and anyone who lived in SE Como on April 1, 2020.

More resources:

www.census.gov
censuscounts.org
mn.gov/admin/2020-census
for more questions, call
1-800-923-8282

SECIA is here to support you

SECIA is actively working to respond to the needs of our community during this turbulent time.

We have set up google forms where community members can either ask for support or offer assistance for a variety of needs.

Please use our forms to indicate whether you are in need of support or have support to offer others. Links can be found through the QR codes or on our website at secomo.org/covid-19

Organization staff and volunteers will use this information to match those requesting support to those offering particular support

Stay up to date

To ensure you are reading the most accurate and up-to-date news regarding the Coronavirus, follow the CDC's updates on cdc.gov.

If you have health questions about COVID-19, the Minnesota Department

of Health offers a specific COVID-19 hotline: 651-201-3920 (7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Central Time).

The Minnesota Department of Health has made their site for Coronavirus available in multiple languages.

More information can be found at www.health.state.mn.us

Find more local resources

SECIA is continuously looking for resources that could be of assistance to the community during this time of need.

Visit secomo.org/covid-19 to find updated information on resources near you.

Here you will find more information on Coronavirus updates, local organizations offering assistance, veterans assistance, artist relief, forgivable small business loans, free or low-cost healthcare, and free meals.

Please contact secomo@secomo.org if you know of other resources to include on this list.

Need support?



Offering support?



How to stay involved with SECIA:

Zoom meetings:

All in-person events are cancelled. SECIA meetings, including Community Project Nights and Board Meetings have switched to video/phone meetings.

Check secomo.org for details on how to connect.

Social distancing gardening:

Our community gardeners have been working hard to adjust schedules and practices to keep garden volunteers safe!

On scheduled days, gardeners will spread out the work over a longer

amount of time so we can practice social distancing.

We want to limit the number of people gardening together. You are welcome to work alone or with your partner.

If someone else shows up, please keep at least 6 feet apart.

If you have been ill or may have been exposed to the corona virus, **please stay home.**

A mask or bandana is recommended as well; make sure you wash them between gardening days.

Bringing your own gloves, mask and tools is suggested, but these will

be provided for those who don't have them.

Any shared tools should be disinfected between uses.

Gardeners with their own tools may garden on unscheduled days.

Please let others know when you plan to garden through our email list, which you can request to join by emailing secomo@secomo.org.

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