

Funding for Federal Programs in Baltimore Depends on Census Count

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How Does Census Participation Affect Federal Program Dollars?

- The Federal government funds many programs that affect the day-to-day lives of Baltimore residents. These programs provide education for our children, support the public transit system that we rely on, offer food and housing to families in need, and improve our well-being in countless ways.
- The dollars received from the Federal government for most programs depend on the number of people living in Baltimore or on the number of people living in Baltimore with a specific characteristic, such as the number of children under age five. This method is used to distribute funds among local areas fairly.
- The Federal government decides how to distribute these funds based on the Census data. So, each person who lives in Baltimore but is left out of the Census can reduce the Federal funds that come to Baltimore. Census undercount means that Baltimore will get less than its "fair share" of Federal funds.

What Kinds of Programs Depend on Census Counts?

- The programs that distribute funds based on the Census include some of the largest Federal programs. Some programs help all of us by supporting the city and community we live in; others meet the different needs of many different people.

Education	Housing	Food & Nutrition	Health	Communities
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Title I Grants to Local Education Agencies* • Head Start* • Special Education Grants Federal Direct Student Loans • Federal Pell Grants • Supporting Effective Instruction Grants* • Career and Technical Education 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Very Low to Moderate Income Housing Loans • Home Investment Partnerships Program • Low Income Home Energy Assistance • Public Housing Capital Fund • Section 8 Housing Assistance Payments • Section 8 Housing Choice Vouchers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Suppl Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children* • Suppl Nutrition Assistance Program • National School Lunch Program* • School Breakfast Program* • Child and Adult Care Food Program* • Special Programs for the Aging, Nutrition 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • State Children's Health Insurance Program* • Medical Assistance Program (Medicaid) • Medicare Supplemental Medical Insurance (Part B) • Block Grants for the Prevention and Treatment of Substance Abuse • Health Care Centers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community Facilities Loans and Grants • Community Services Block Grant • State Community Development Block Grant • Community Development Block Grants/Entitlement Grants
Children	Transportation	Income	Social Services	Business & Work
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Title IV-E Foster Care* • Child Care and Development Block Grant* • Adoption Assistance* • WIOA Youth Activities* • Child Care* 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Highway Planning and Construction • Federal Transit Formula Grants • Federal Transit - Capital Investment Grants 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Temporary Assistance for Needy Families • Unemployment Insurance 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Crime Victim Assistance • Social Services Block Grant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Business & Industry Loans • Vocational Rehabilitation Grants to the States • WIOA Dislocated Worker Formula

Why Is Including Children in the Census Especially Important?

- Most Federal programs affect children in some way. The ones with a star (*) above are targeted directly to children and the distribution of funds for them depends on the number of children counted in the Census.
- Including each and every child that lives with you on your Census form is very important. That's how we will make sure Baltimore receives its fair share of funds for children's programs so that all our children can grow and thrive.