

## WHY IT MATTERS



**POWER** 

Congressional Representation

Reapportionment and Redistricting

**MONEY** 

• 675 billion distributed annually

Funding distributed based on population

**GOOD POLICY** 

 To help community leaders, businesses, and nonprofits make good decisions about programs and policies



## ROLE OF COUNTIES





Educators

Share about the importance of the census

Messengers

 Relay critical information to relevant stakeholders

Conveners

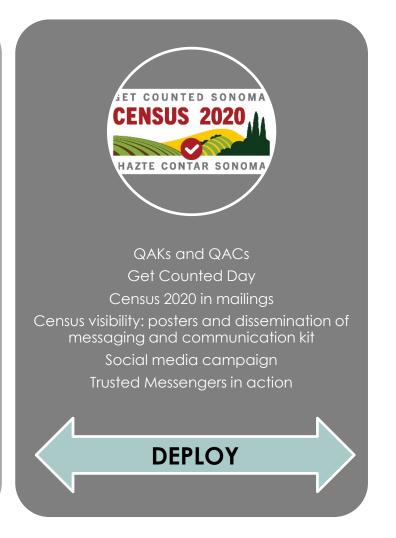
 Through the establishment of the Sonoma Complete Count Committee



## STRATEGIC PLANNING FOR OUTREACH









## CHALLENGES TO ACHIEVING AN ACCURATE COUNT



Census 2020 is underfunded (50% decrease per household from 2010)



 Fewer local offices, less field staff, anticipated challenges recruiting enumerators, including qualified enumerators for the non-response follow up



Fear and distrust in federal government



 Anxiety among immigrant communities due to the controversial debate on the citizenship question



 First digital census (Concerns about data security and challenges for those who lack digital access and literacy)



## CALIFORNIA HARD TO COUNT DEMOGRAPHICS

- Immigrants and refugees
- Latinos
- Farmworkers
- People with disabilities
- LGBTQ community
- Areas with low broadband subscription rates or low/no access to broadband
- Homeless Individuals and families/Nonconventional Housing
- Veterans
- Seniors/Older Adults
- Children under 5 years old
- Households with Limited English Proficiency
- Households with low income
- Native Americans
- Other minorities
- Other Demographic populations as identified and proposed by County (renters, individuals displaced by the fires, etc.)





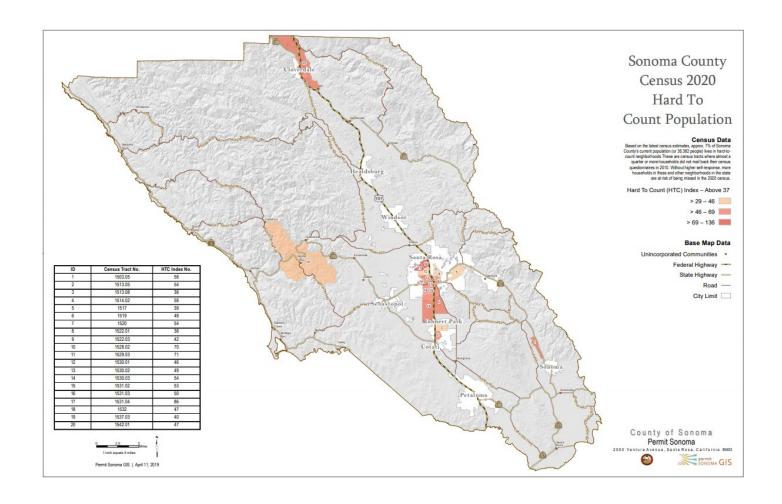
## SONOMA COUNTY HTC DEMOGRAPHICS & VARIABLES

HTC variables	% Specific to Sonoma County
Immigrants and foreign born	16.6% of Sonoma County residents
Linguistically isolated people	10.4 % of Sonoma County residents speak English "less than very well"
Persons who are not high school graduates	12.3% of Sonoma County residents
Persons who are unemployed	3.8% of Sonoma County residents
Number of vacant housing units in an area	8.6% of housing units are vacant in Sonoma County
Specific ethnic and minority populations	26.4% of Sonoma County residents are Hispanic or Latino of any race. Other races account for 6.9% of total population.
Renters and children	5.2% of Sonoma County residents are children under 5 years old. 39.7% of housing units in Sonoma County are renter occupied.
Densely populated communities	14.1% of Sonoma County households have receive supplemental
with multi-unit housing, public	security income, cash public assistance and/or food stamp benefits for
assistance characteristics	over 12 months
Native Americans living on tribal lands	1.1% of Sonoma County residents belong to a tribal community





## SONOMA COUNTY HARD TO COUNT TRACTS





# TOP 5 SONOMA COUNTY HARD TO COUNT CENSUS TRACTS

Images captured from <u>SWORD MAP</u>
For a detailed map of all census tracts, go to census.ca.gov/HTC-map



## **ROSELAND**

CA-HTC index: 86

• Population: 3,910

• 64.8% Latino

2010 Low response rate: 31.4%

Top 3 HTC variables:

- More than one person per room in household (crowding)
- Educational attainment (lower high school graduation rate)
- ✓ Renter occupied units (71% renters)







## NORTH WEST SANTA ROSA (MONROE)

CA-HTC index: 71

• Population: 5,355

• 56.1% Latino

2010 Low response rate: 28.3%

• Top 3 HTC variables:

- ✓ Educational attainment (lower high school graduation rate)
- ✓ Households receiving public benefits
- ✓ Children under 5







## NORTH WEST SANTA ROSA (COFFEY PARK AREA)

- CA-HTC index: 70
- Population: 7,152
- 49% Latino
- 2010 Low response rate: 28.3 %
- Top 3 HTC variables:
  - ✓ More than one person per room in household (crowding)
  - ✓ Households shared by nonrelated individuals
  - ✓ Children under 5







## SOUTH EAST SANTA ROSA (BELLEVUE)

CA-HTC index: 58

Population: 9,837

• 52.1% Latino

2010 Low response rate: 28.3%

Top 3 HTC variables:

- More than one person per room in household (crowding)
- ✓ Households shared by nonrelated individuals
- ✓ Households without broadband access







## THE SPRINGS

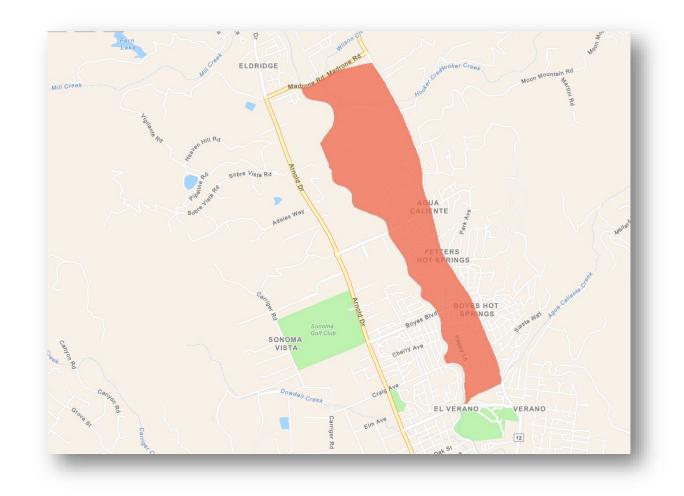
CA-HTC index: 58

Population: 6,068

• 68.6% Latino

2010 Low response rate: 25.9 %

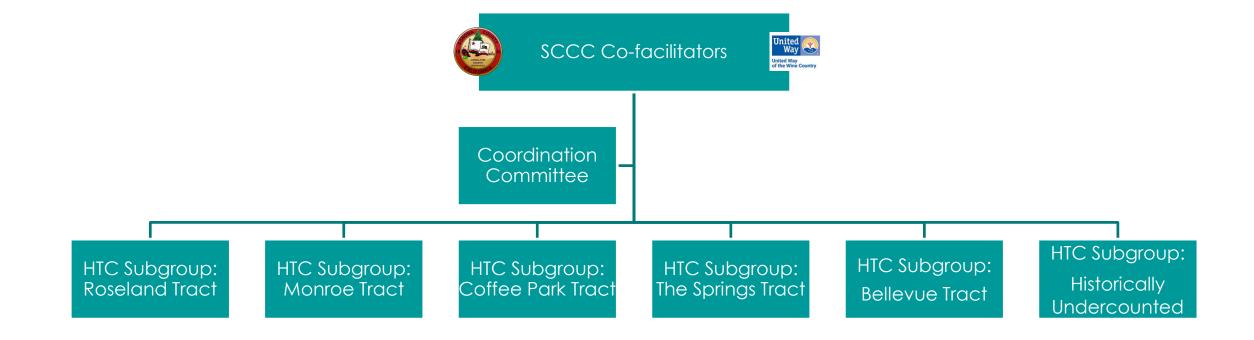
- Top 3 HTC variables:
  - ✓ Educational attainment (lower high school graduation rate)
  - ✓ Households with limited English proficiency
  - √ Foreign born population







## SCCC STRUCTURE







#### **Conveners:**

Sonoma Complete Count Committee







SCCC Meeting



#### Messengers:

#### **Training of Trusted Messengers**

- Head Start
- Corazon Healdsburg (Embajadoras)
- Community Action Partnership

#### **Presentations**

- Upstream Investments
- Business community
- Local governments
- Sonoma County departments

#### Head Start Staff Training





Corazon Healdsburg Community Ambassadors



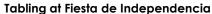
Upstream Investments Presentation



#### **Educators:**

- Over 40 tabling events and other outreach interventions targeting HTC Communities/HTC tracts.
- Examples: Cinco de Mayo in Roseland, Community Resiliency Day, La Mochilada, Sonoma Ready Day, Fire Survivor Meetings, Roseland NeighborFest, Citrus Festival, Wednesday Night Market, etc.









Sonoma Ready Day



- Bilingual Census Website
- Census Youth Volunteer Program
- Social Media Engagement
- Interviews on Spanish-speaking radio shows



- List of partnering organizations per HTC tract and demographic
- HTC Maps
- Calendar of outreach activities
- Sonoma County Strategic Outreach Plan
- Census Flyers and Posters
- US Census Bureau Communication kit
- List of recommended outreach actions









## **CENSUS 2020 OUTREACH TIMELINE**

Phase 1: Educate

Phase 2: Motivate

Phase 3: Activate

#### Jan - May 2019

- Opt in agreement
- Launch SCCC
- Build partnerships
- File Strategic Plan

#### May - Oct 2019

- Develop Implementation Plan
- SCCC activities
- Preliminary outreach

#### Oct - Dec 2019

- File Implementation plan
- Train trusted messengers
- Share outreach kit with trusted messengers

#### Jan -March 2020

- Kick off volunteer program
- County & partners leverage mailings with census logo
- SCCC meetings to coordinate outreach

## March 12 - April 30, 2020

- Census Day
- Social media campaign
- QAKS and QACs launch (County & partners)

#### May - July 2020

- Non response follow up: it's not too late campaign
- Volunteer program
- Mailings QAKs
   and QACs



## **CENSUS TIMELINE**

On or between	You will receive in the mail:
March 12–20	An invitation to respond online to the 2020 Census. (Some households will also receive paper questionnaires.)
March 16-24	A reminder letter.
	If you haven't responded yet:
March 26–April 3	A reminder postcard.
April 1	CENSUS DAY
April 8–16	A reminder letter and paper questionnaire.
April 20–27	A final reminder postcard before Census Bureau follows up in person.
May - July	Non response follow up

### REDISTRICTING

- After any census, jurisdictions must redraw district lines so that the districts have equal populations, giving their residents fair representation.
- The boundaries shall be adopted by the Board no earlier than Augus 1, 2021, but not later than 151 days before the County's next regular election occurring on March 1st, 2022.





