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## **Census questionnaires will be hand-delivered in March**

### **It's Simple**

Beginning in early March, Census workers will visit each address in the Estes Valley and surrounding areas to update the location information and leave a questionnaire with the resident or hang it on the door. Questionnaires will not be mailed in Estes Park or its vicinity.

The 2010 questionnaire is the shortest in history -- just ten demographic questions, which take up to ten minutes per household to complete. Everyone will receive the same questionnaire in English. Spanish-language questionnaires may be requested by calling 1-866-928-2010 (as noted on each questionnaire). Census assistance is available at the Estes Valley Library. Call 970-586-8116 for details.

April 1 is Census Day, the due date for questionnaires and the official reference day for the count. The individual in whose name the housing unit is owned or rented as of April 1, Census Day should complete the questionnaire on behalf of every person living in the residence, relatives or non-relatives, U.S. citizens and non-citizens alike. The completed questionnaire should be mailed to the Census Bureau in the postage-paid envelope provided.

### **It's Private**

The Census does not collect any information about taxes, income or residency status. Questions are only demographic and private information will never be published. By law, the Census Bureau cannot share an individual's responses with anyone including other federal agencies or law enforcement. The Census uses the information collected to produce statistics.

Census workers will wear an official badge. They will never ask for money or bank account information, and they will never ask to enter a home. A phone number will be provided to residents who would like to verify the census worker's identity, or the resident may call the Denver Regional Census office at 1-800-852-6159.

### **It's Important**

When you fill out the census form, you're making a statement about what resources your community needs going forward. Census information affects the numbers of seats your state occupies in the U.S. House of Representatives. A complete count can help ensure fair allocation of funds by the federal government to states and communities for schools, hospitals, housing, public works projects and emergency services. The U.S. Census counts every resident in the United States, and is required by the Constitution to take place every 10 years.

The Town of Estes Park is a 2010 Census Partner committed to supporting the Census Bureau's goal of achieving a complete count. For more information from the Town, please contact the Public Information Office at 970-577-3701. For information on the Census, please visit [www.2010.census.gov](http://www.2010.census.gov).

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