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Census Deadline Moved Up to September 30th

More than four in every ten North Carolina households have not yet filled out the 2020 Census, representing more than 4 million North Carolinians not currently captured in the Census.

A Census response brings \$1,823 per person, per year in federal and state funds back to N.C. counties and towns.

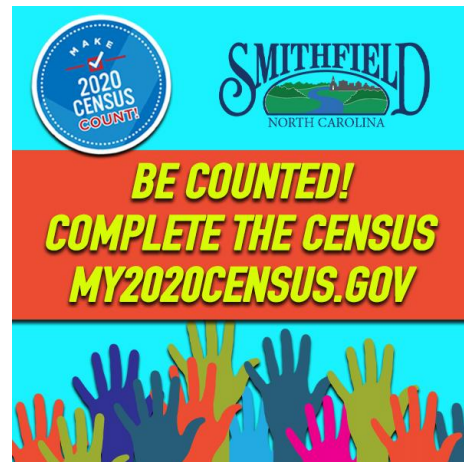
That's **\$18,230 over the decade.**

For a family of five, that's **\$91,150.**

For a neighborhood of 150, that's **\$2,734,000.**

That's why it is so vitally important to complete the Census. Take five minutes and visit my2020census.gov, mail in the questionnaire you received earlier this year, or phone 844-330-2020.

Every response counts.



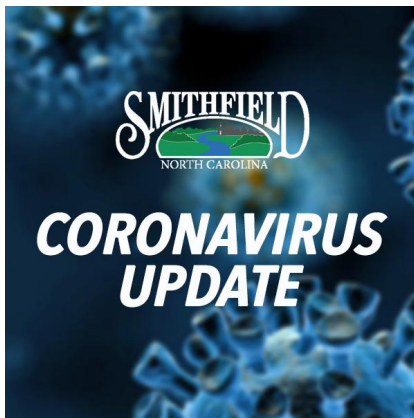


Johnston County Schools Curbside Meal Information

The Johnston County Public Schools nutrition staff served **more than 4,000 meals to students in remote learning on Monday!** The lunch service time is 11:00am-12:00 pm Monday through Friday. Students in all grade levels can receive meals curbside and when coming through our lines will be given one lunch and one breakfast meal at no cost.

Beginning September 1, students or parents picking up meals curbside will be asked to give their child's name or lunch number. Parents are encouraged to complete our Meal Applications at www.lunchapplication.com for assistance with paying for their child's meal. Children can use the same meal status from last school year for the first 30 days of school and that grace period ends on September 28. After that date students' meals will either be free or paid, depending on their status for this school year. The price for a paid student lunch in K-8 is \$2.30, and the price for 9-12 is \$2.40.

You can find a video on Curbside Meal Service Protocols on their website - bit.ly/JCPSSchoolNutrition



Governor Extends "Phase Two" Through September 11th, Continues Face Covering Mandate

Governor Roy Cooper announced the extension of "Phase Two" of COVID-19 restrictions until **September 11th at 5pm**. Additionally, face covering mandates remain in place, requiring them in retail businesses, restaurants (when customers are not at their table), personal care and grooming businesses, child care facilities, long-term care facilities and more.

[View Executive Order 155.](#)

The following measures continue to remain in place for the Town of Smithfield:

--- The Planning Department is closed for face-to-face business. Those needing assistance may call **(919) 934-2116 ext. 1111 or ext. 1114**. You can also email the Planning Director, Stephen Wensman (stephen.wensman@smithfield-nc.com) or Julie Edmonds (julie.edmonds@smithfield-nc.com).

For any planning documents you may need:
http://www.smithfield-nc.com/page/planning_documents.

--- **You can still make payments at Town Hall but will do so via a speaker placed in our vestibule at the rear of the building. For additional safety, we are only allowing one person at a time inside the vestibule.**

Please maintain appropriate social distancing outside Town Hall; lines are in place on the walkway for assistance.

The following payment options are available:

1. Pay online at www.smithfield-nc.com. Click on the "Pay Utility" icon on the homepage.
2. Call 1-855-603-9197 (debit/credit payments only).

3. Place your payment in one of the two drop boxes outside, either the drop box attached to the building OR in the parking lot. If you are paying with CASH, we ask that you please use the drop box attached to the building. *(No change will be given; anything over the amount due will be applied to next month's bill)*

Payments received in either drop box before 5pm will be processed for the date the payment was received.

--- If you need to set up utility services during this time, please [email our Customer Service Department](#) or phone (919) 934-2116, ext. 1105 or ext.1113.

You will need to provide the following information:

- Service Address
- Date Of Service
- Valid State-Issued Photo Identification And Your Social Security Number
- Federal Tax ID Number (Business Accounts)
- Deed/ Offer To Purchase/ Rental Agreement or Lease Agreement.

FREE COVID-19 Testing Sites

If you are exhibiting symptoms and are in need of COVID-19 testing, Smithfield-Selma High School will be holding two FREE drive-thru testing events on August 25th and September 1st from 9-11am.

All ages are welcome and no pre-registration is required. For more information, call the Johnston County COVID-19 helpline at **919-209-8310**.

UPCOMING COVID-19 TESTING EVENTS

To find all drive-thru testing events In Johnston County, go to:
johnstonnc.com/covid19/#testingsites

For questions, call:
919-209-8310



JOHNSTON COUNTY PUBLIC
HEALTH DEPARTMENT



Sports Week at Smithfield Parks and Rec!

This week's focus is on what we do best; sports!

Follow [Smithfield Parks and Recreation](#) on social media for fun activities, trivia and videos. And, beginning Monday, we focus on the five senses - sight, smell, touch, hearing and taste.

Group Fitness Classes at Miracle League Field

Burning off that #Quarantine15? If so, or if you just need some camaraderie while you work out, group fitness classes are open to ANYONE wanting to join. We meet every morning at 8am on the Miracle League Field at Community Park.

REFIT classes are held Monday Wednesday and Friday and ZUMBA is Tuesday and Thursday. We also offer a 6:30pm ZUMBA class on Wednesday evenings. Come join us!



COME WORK WITH US!

Applications and full job advertisements may be obtained at the Smithfield Town Hall, located at 350 East Market St. in Smithfield, or by visiting our website at www.smithfield-nc.com/jobs. Only qualified applicants should apply.

The Town of Smithfield is an ADA/EEO Employer.



Smithfield Town Board Opportunities:

- Appearance Commission - 2 Positions
- Board of Adjustment - 2 Positions
- Recreation Advisory Committee - 2 Positions

All positions are three year terms, unless otherwise specified. Interested citizens can download an ["Application for Board Appointment" on the Town's website](#) or call Town Clerk Shannan Parrish to request one by mail at **919-934-2116**.

Town of Smithfield E-Billing:



Three easy ways to sign up:

- Visit customer service at Town Hall
- Call (919) 934-2116 Ext.1113 E
- Email: utilitybilling@smithfield-nc.com

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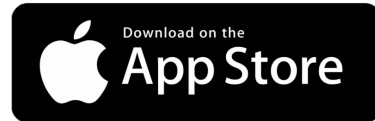


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