OFFICIAL NOTICE FROM THE CITY OF NEW YORK

United States Census Bureau employees (enumerators) are currently conducting in-person, door-to-door census completion operations in New York City.

Participation in the U.S. Census is required by federal law (Title 13, Chapter 7, Sub II). To ensure compliance with this law, it is imperative that property owners and building managers grant access to census enumerators.

All staff responsible for building access should be notified of the Census Bureau’s current operation.

The 2020 Census, which is an official count of all persons residing in the United States that happens once every 10 years and is required by the United States Constitution, began in the spring of this year. Since then, households across the nation have been able to self-respond to the census online or via phone.

However, not all households complete the census on their own. In response to this, the U.S. Census Bureau conducts the Non-Response Follow Up (NRFU) operation, where enumerators knock on doors and collect census information from households. Census enumerators started visiting households across the city on August 6 and will continue through September 30, 2020.

Key facts about NRFU:

● When possible, enumerators will contact property managers before they conduct interviews. Please be advised this is not always possible.
● All enumerators have undergone extensive background checks and fingerprinting, and have been certified to work by the U.S. Department of Commerce.
● All enumerators will have a photo identification badge with a U.S. Department of Commerce watermark and expiration date. In addition, all enumerators will carry a bag with the logo of the United States Census Bureau, and any devices they have will also be marked with the Bureau’s logo.
● If you or tenants have questions about the veracity of person’s identity, you can call 212-882-7100 to speak with a Census Bureau representative and confirm their employment.
● All enumerators have completed a training on social distancing. They are required to wear a face mask at all times, never enter homes, and stay 6 feet away when conducting interviews.
● If a resident is not home, enumerators will leave a note on the door with information on how to respond to the census.
● After a household has completed the census, there may be additional visits to ensure data quality.

If residents do not respond, building staff may be asked for information on the residents in the unit. Staff cooperation in this matter is strongly encouraged.

Any questions or concerns please call NYC Census at (347) 698-1095