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**CENSUS 2020: A CATHOLIC CHARITIES RESPONSE**

**Checklist and Timeline**

**How You Can Help:**

* Remind parishioners to count all the people living in their home
* Remind parishioners that School districts use census data about families and children to make long-term building, staffing, and funding decisions.
* Assure all parishioners that all information collected will remain confidential
* Remind parish staff of the upcoming enumeration

**January - February 2020:** **Awareness Phase**

* Census Pulpit Announcements
* Homilies emphasizing the importance of the being counted
* Bulletin Announcements
* Parish Emails and News Stories
* Fliers/Posters
* Social Media/Newspapers/Radio

**March - April 2020:** **Motivation Phase**

* Organize a day(s) to help parishioners to complete their forms
* Hold events at the parish to answer questions & provide information
* Texting/Messaging Reminders
* Encourage parishioners to talk with people in the community about the importance of the census

**May - June 2020:** **Reminder Phase**

* Remind Parishioners to work with enumerators and complete their Census forms