



Working together to plan for the future

Work Group: Census Advisory Workgroup (CAWG)
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Purpose:

The purpose of the Census Advisory Workgroup (CAWG) is to assist COMPASS and local organizations in encouraging participation in the 2020 Census. Census counts are used to establish political boundaries and to calculate a large share of federal assistance and federal grant funding.

Tasks:

1. Collaborate with fellow members, local organizations, and agencies in outreach efforts.
2. Review regional outreach materials and templates for distribution.
3. Develop "lessons learned" process of Census outreach preparation.

Deliverables, Schedule:

1. Collaborative regional and local census outreach efforts completed. (May 2020)
2. Regional outreach materials and local outreach templates. (Fall 2019)
3. "Lessons Learned" document for 2030 Census. (June 2020)

Membership:

Membership in the CAWG will be drawn from: member agency staff, school districts, higher education, a member of the Public Participation Workgroup, representatives of organizations serving hard to count populations, and other community and business leaders, as appropriate.

Charter recommended by Executive Committee: June 4, 2019

Charter approved by COMPASS Board: August 26, 2019

Next planned review of charter by Executive Committee: June 2020

All decisions and recommendations of COMPASS workgroups are reached through consensus and there are no quorum requirements for workgroups. All workgroup meetings are open to anyone interested in attending. Individuals interested in attending should contact the staff liaison to obtain the scheduled meeting dates and planned agendas.