

# CLEVELAND VOTES

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## DEMOCRACY TUESDAY!



**Cleveland VOTES Thank you for your commitment to democracy!**

"As we take time to reflect on the *extended* Primary Election there are a few items of note that we as Cleveland VOTES hope will inform and influence the road ahead of the 2020 General Election on November 3rd, 2020. Voter Turnout for the 2020 Primary Election in Cuyahoga County was 22.4%, which means that roughly 2 out of 5 registered voters turned out for an election that was unexpectedly extended and for the first time in recent history, largely vote-at-home-by-mail. The total number of ballots cast were 192,065 out of 858,057 registered voters in Cuyahoga County. This is a dismal drop from the 2016 Primary Election, at 361,098 ballots cast out of 849,206 registered voters which means that we had a voter turnout of 42.5%. In other words, when we compare the voter turnout between the 2016 and 2020 Primary Elections, it is revealed that we experienced nearly a 50% decrease in voter turnout amongst registered voters. In fact, this was the lowest voter turnout in a presidential primary in recent history. Voter turnout even sank lower this year than in

Learn more about the Ohio Primary Election Voter Turnout [Here](#)

VOTE

CUYAHOGA COUNTY  
BOARD OF ELECTIONS

2020 Primary Election

Official Results Certification

May 19, 2020 2:00pm

The Board will meet to certify the official results of the 2020 Primary Election on Tuesday, May 19th at 2:00 p.m. Official results will be posted to our website at 9:00 a.m. on the day of certification.

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## FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE

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# Navigating the new urgency and tactics around voter registration

May 22 2- 3 pm

Nonprofit VOTE

Join Speakers with experience in civic engagement and strategies for the 2020 General Election



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Foundation



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Program Director for National  
Voter  
Registration Day

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## UPCOMING EVENT:

### Navigating the new urgency and tactics around voter registration

#### Description

Voter registration is more important than ever this year. With DMVs across the country shuttered because of COVID-19, and field-based registration drives on hold, millions of voter registrations are no longer being collected or updated. At the same time, in order to be able to take advantage of some of the options being rolled out in the states to reduce the spread of COVID-19 – such as vote by mail – eligible voters need to be registered at their current addresses well ahead of Election Day.

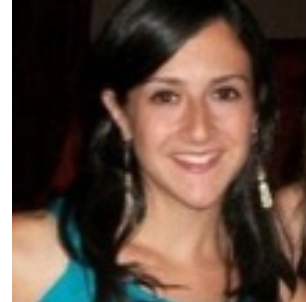
During this webinar we will review the impact the pandemic is having on voter registration rates, the laws and opportunities that vary across states around voter registration, and some quick, actionable tips for promoting voter registration digitally now. Our guest speakers have experience in the field working with voters and will share how they are pivoting their strategies in light of the pandemic response.

The recording and slides for this webinar will be sent one week after the webinar airs.

Join Cleveland VOTES'S Civic Engagement Strategy Manager, Jennifer Lumpkin, Amara Reese-Hansell, and Lauren Kunis on this webinar!

#### Webinar's Speakers





[Register for the Webinar Here](#)

## Want to Share your Civic Engagement Experience?

During this time, it is imperative we elevate the stories and experiences of everyone's engagement around the census, voting, and democracy. Civic engagement varies for everyone, and we want to uplift your stories and experiences!

Contact us at [info@clevotes.com](mailto:info@clevotes.com) if you are interested in elevating your civic engagement experience!

## Missed the Soundtracks to the Revolutions?

Missed Cleveland VOTES and Soundtrack to the Streets' event, "Soundtrack to the Evolution: Census 2020?" Check out the video below! Thank you to our partners and special guests who joined us to elevate the importance of the census in our community!



[Check out the Video Here](#)



## Thank you, Cuyahoga Democratic Women's Caucus!

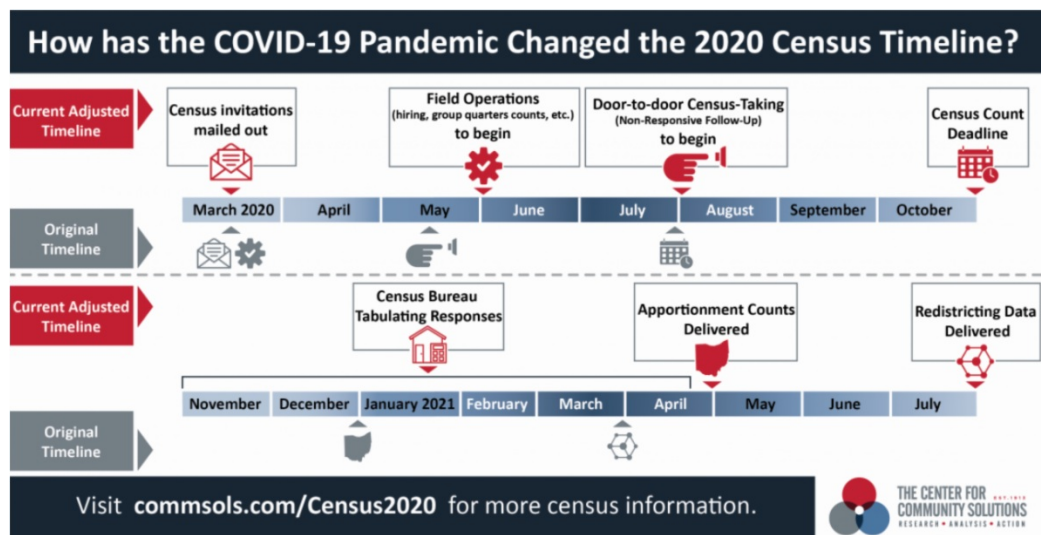
On Saturday, May 16th, the Cuyahoga Democratic Women's Caucus honored Cleveland VOTES' Co-Founders' Crystal Bryant and Erika Anthony for their implacable dedication to advance civic engagement, democracy, and criminal justice reform and more! Join us this Saturday!

Join us in Congratulating Erika Anthony and Crystal Bryant!

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## How will we count America? Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, there are more questions than answers

Check out our democracy comrade's Kate Warren, Research Associate at The Center for Community Solutions' blog post about the 2020 Census and the COVID-19. Learn more about the changes and the implications of COVID-19 and the Census 2020.

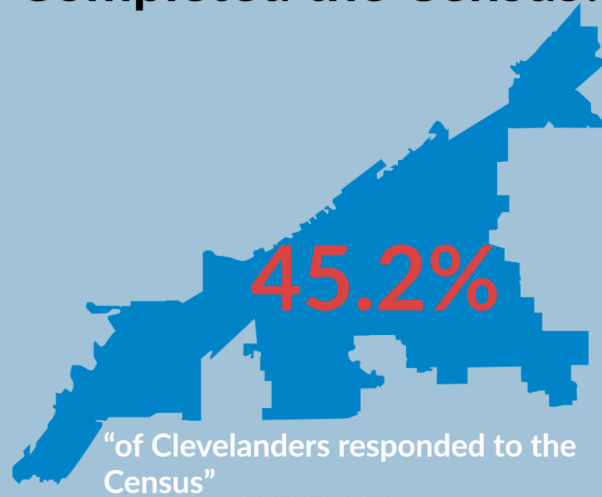


[Click Here for to Read the Blog Article](#)

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**Why the Census Matters to You!**  
**Remember to Complete Your Census!**

# How many Clevelanders Completed the Census?



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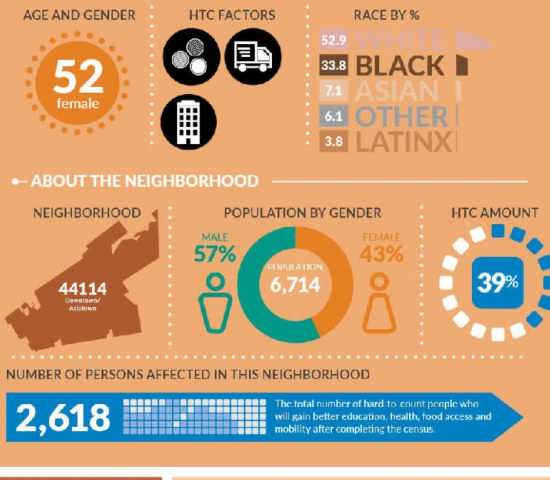


# WHAT DOES AN EQUITABLE CENSUS LOOK LIKE?

Our vision is that all Clevelanders are counted and will receive the necessary resources for the next 10 years. Who stands the risk of not being counted? Our hard to count (HTC) communities. See below and learn more, so we can ensure a complete count.

## MEET KAREN:

A White female, 52 years of age currently living in Downtown Cleveland (44114). Her HTC factors include race/ethnicity, transience, and lives in non-traditional housing.



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## WHY THE CENSUS MATTERS FOR THIS NEIGHBORHOOD:



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APRIL 1, 2020



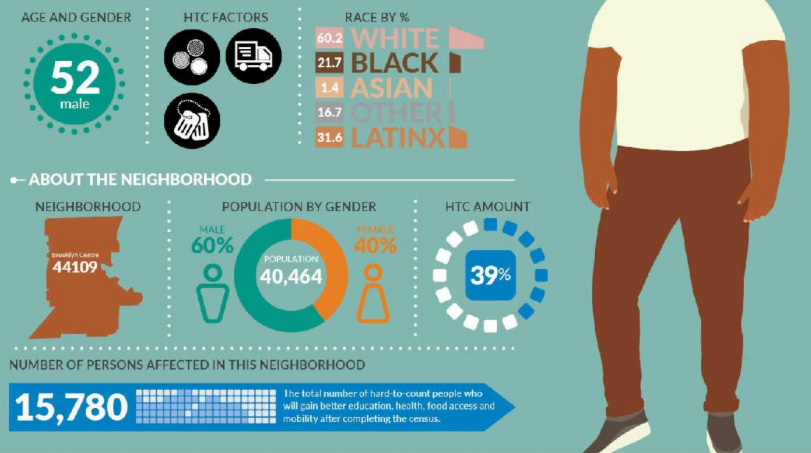


# HOW MIGHT WE CREATE AN EQUITABLE CENSUS?

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## MEET JOSEPH:

A Black male, 52 years of age currently living in the Brooklyn Centre neighborhood (44109). His HTC factors include race/ethnicity, transient, and he is a military veteran.



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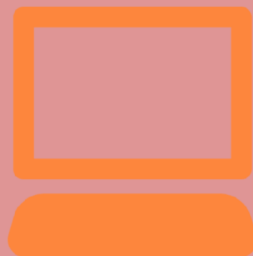




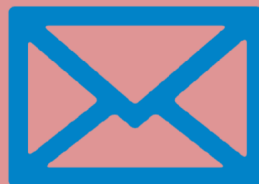
# 3 Ways to Complete the Census



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Mail to US Census Bureau

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Jeffersonville, IN  
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## THE DEMOCRACY CENTER

- [How Community Development Organizations Change When They Embrace Arts and Culture](#)
- [Ohio Democrats call for streamlined ballot requests, expanded voter registration for November election](#)
- [Donald Trump leads Joe Biden in new Ohio poll of 2020 election](#)

- [Go LIVE for Equity: Defending our Democracy in a Pandemic](#)
- [EEOC Cleveland Field Office Seeking Summer Interns](#)
- [Petitions, Registration, and Text Banking: How Community Change Action is Organizing on Outvote](#)
- [WILL CORONAVIRUS PUSH CAMPAIGNS TO TRY SUPPORTER-GENERATED CONTENT?](#)
- [Webinar: The impact of COVID-19 on prisons](#)
- [WHY CAMPAIGNS NEED TO RETHINK HOW TO SECURE THEIR COMMUNICATIONS](#)
- [Ohio elections chief: General election will include in-person voting](#)
- [Secretary Of State Urges Ohio Lawmakers To Allow Mail-In Ballot Applications Online](#)
- [Most Adults Aware of 2020 Census and Ready to Respond, but Don't Know Key Details](#)
- [Two-Thirds of Americans Expect Presidential Election Will Be Disrupted by COVID-19](#)
- [Will Americans Lose Their Right to Vote in the Pandemic?](#)
- [How will we count America? Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, there are more questions than answers.](#)
- [Re-constructing digital democracy: An outline of four 'positions'](#)
- [Utilizing Digital Advocacy in Community Organizing: Lessons Learned from Organizing in Virtual Spaces to Promote Worker Rights and Economic Justice](#)
- [STANFORD-MIT PROJECT ON A HEALTHY ELECTION](#)
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## HAVE QUESTIONS?

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*dēmokratia*: **dēmo**= 'the people' + **kratia** = 'power'