

The Upside Of Aging

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The 2020 Census is Coming - Be Counted!

There is strength in numbers. Having more people counted means more power and money for Michigan residents.

Note: If you go away for the winter months, be sure to use your Michigan residency when filling out the 2020 Census forms.

If you are not counted, we may lose:

- ◆ An estimated \$1,800 per person per year in federal support for programs that use census data.
- ◆ Another Congressional seat and a reduction in the number of electoral college votes—reduced representation at the federal level
- ◆ Federal funding for infrastructure programs, including rebuilding roads, highways, and bridges.

Census data is used by public officials to determine distribution of federal funds for programs, including: Title I Head Start and Special Education grants; Section 8 Housing Vouchers; Senior Services; and K-12 Education.

An inaccurate Census count means the hard-to-count populations will rely more heavily on nonprofit organizations for services.

Transportation Update:

As of 12/26/19, only the taxi companies listed below will be participating in our transportation voucher program:

- ⇒ **About Time Transportation (231) 660-3514**
- ⇒ **J Cole Enterprises (231) 360-1339**
- ⇒ **Odawa Country Taxi Cab (231) 946-2222**
- ⇒ **Ride on Taxi (231) 342-9585**

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Snow Removal

- COA workers remove snow ONLY after four (4) or more inches of snow has accumulated.
- It may take up to two days to finish each driver's routes.
- We are closed for Christmas and New Year's Day and will not be removing snow on those days.
- Our *Outdoor Services* hotline can be reached anytime by calling **(231) 922-4688** and following the prompts. We will do our best to keep this message up to date and will note which area we are plowing that day. If you are unsure of what area you live in, our office can provide you with that information.
- COA snow removal should not be relied upon to remove your snow on demand. You need a backup plan. Please be sure to make additional arrangements for any important appointments in case we will not be removing snow in your area on that day.
- We do **not** provide salt - but we will put salt down on your walkway for you if you supply the salt.
- We WILL:
 - Remove snow from your driveway with a plow
 - Shovel snow away from your walkway and mailbox

January Staff Birthdays and Anniversaries

Birthdays

None this month



Anniversaries

Curt B - 01/02 - 14 yrs
 Jenny G - 01/05 - 5 yrs
 Dean D - 01/05 - 20 yrs
 Melissa Z - 01/06 - 14 yrs
 Nicole H - 01/22 - 1 yr

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