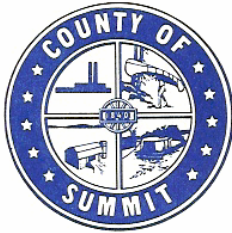


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### ALERT!

There are several known U.S. Census scams that have been occurring for about the last 10 – 12 months around the country. Ohioans have been the recipient of some of these scams. Ohio Attorney General Richard Cordray has set up a website that provides accurate information about the census.

According to the website, the real U.S. Census Bureau sends you a 10-question census form in the mail; clearly identifies documents as coming from the U.S. Census Bureau; asks for your name, sex, age, race, phone number and date of birth. They do **not** ask for your Social Security number or bank account information. They also require their workers to wear an official badge on home visits and will **never** ask to enter your home.

Fake census scammers ask for your Social Security number, credit card or bank account number, ask you to send money, and ask to come inside your home.

For more information on real vs. fake census forms and other scams that are circulating, visit the Ohio Attorney General's website at:

<http://www.ohioattorneygeneral.gov/SpeakOutOhio/Blog/February-2010>.

Your Summit County leaders want everyone to know how important it is for residents in our County to fill out their census forms and mail them back. The 2010 Census will impact funding received by communities for emergency services, hospitals, job training centers, public works projects, schools and senior centers.

If you need help in filling out your form, the 2010 Census Questionnaire Assistance Center (QAC) information booth is now open on the fourth floor atrium of the Ohio Building, 175 S. Main Street in downtown Akron. Additional QAC booths can be located by visiting <http://www.ci.akron.oh.us/Census>.

If you would like to be added to our e-mail list to receive alerts and other useful information from my office, please call (330) 643-2796.

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