



# City of Fall River Massachusetts

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## **Advisory: US Census Takers Have Begun Door-to-Door Visits**

**(Fall River, MA- August 19th, 2020)-** Fall River's US Census Taskforce would like to inform residents that the US Census Bureau has commenced door-to-door visits in Fall River. Visits will occur between 9am and 9pm. Census takers will be stopping at households that have not yet responded to the 2020 US Census. Census takers can be identified by a Department of Commerce badge, as well as an official Census Bureau bag and other merchandise.

According to the US Census Bureau, Census takers have completed training on social distancing and safety protocols, will follow local public health guidelines, and will be required to wear a face mask during these visits. Answering Census takers is safe, confidential and crucial to getting the funding that Fall River needs.

Some residents may be hesitant to answer the door due to Covid-19 or may feel uncomfortable sharing information with door knockers. **Accordingly, the City of Fall River and the US Census Taskforce remind residents that the safest and easiest option is to self-respond before Census Takers are sent to their homes.** This can be done in less than 10 minutes online at 2020Census.gov or over the phone at 844-330-2020. We need members of the press, community organizations and residents to come together and encourage our neighbors to complete the 2020 Census.