



Yolo County Housing

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DATE: October 1, 2009
TO: YCH Board of Commissioners
FROM: Lisa A. Baker, Executive Director
SUBJECT: **Resolution Proclaiming Support for the U.S. Census and Proclaiming the YCH a Census Partner**

Agenda Item No. 2.05

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That the Board of Commissioners:

1. Review, approve and adopt Resolution proclaiming support for the U.S. Census and proclaiming the YCH a Census partner; and
2. Authorize the Executive Director to implement activities supporting the 2010 Census.

BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION:

The U.S. Census is completed once every ten (10) years. The next census is scheduled to take place in 2010. Numbers from the U.S. Census have a big impact on things such as need for affordable housing, siting of infrastructure such as schools, public transportation, hospitals and other facilities. In addition, many forms of federal and state funding for programs are allocated based on Census numbers.

Because of this, it is important to collect accurate data and to be sure that the public is well educated about the benefits and impacts of the Census. In order to further this goal, the U.S. Census 2010 is asking for the assistance of the YCH in placing emphasis on the Census and to participate in events that will raise awareness of the 2010 Census in order to help ensure a full and accurate count.

FISCAL IMPACT:

None. There may be some opportunity for a small grant to help promote the Census.

CONCLUSION:

Staff recommends that the Board approve the Resolution proclaiming support for the U.S. Census and making the YCH a Census Partner for the 2010 Census.

Attachment - Resolution

YOLO COUNTY HOUSING

RESOLUTION NO. 09- _____

(Resolution Proclaiming Support for the 2010 Census and Proclaiming Yolo County Housing a Census 2010 Partner)

WHEREAS, an accurate census count is vital to our community and to resident's well being by helping planners determine where to locate schools, day care centers, roads and public transportation, hospitals and other facilities and is used to make decisions concerning affordable housing and housing needs; and

WHEREAS, more than \$300 billion per year in federal and state funding is allocated to states, cities, counties and other entities based on census data; and

WHEREAS, the 2010 Census creates jobs that stimulate economic growth and increase employment opportunities; and

WHEREAS, the information collected by the U.S. Census Bureau is protected by law and remains confidential for 72 years.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, ORDERED AND FOUND by the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the County of Yolo, as follows:

1. Each of the foregoing recitals is true and correct.
2. That the Board of Commissioners proclaim that Yolo County Housing is committed to partnering with the U.S. Census Bureau to help ensure a full and accurate count in 2010.
3. That, as a 2010 Census Partner, Yolo County Housing will:
 - a. Support the goals and ideals of the 2010 Census and will disseminate 2010 Census information to encourage those in our communities to participate;
 - b. Encourage people in the communities we serve in Yolo County to place an emphasis on the 2010 Census and participate in events that will raise the overall awareness of the 2010 Census and ensure a full and accurate count;
 - c. Support census takers as they help ensure an accurate count of our residents and participants;

- d. Seek opportunities to collaborate with other groups in our communities to advocate on behalf of the 2010 Census.

EFFECTIVE DATES: This Resolution shall take effect from and after the date of its adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED, by the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the County of Yolo, State of California, this 1st day of October, 2009 by the following vote:

AYES:
NOES:
ABSENT:
ABSTAIN:

Helen Thomson, Chair
Board of Commissioners of the
Housing Authority of the County of Yolo

Approved as to Form:

By _____
Sonia Cortés, Agency Counsel

Attest:
Ana Morales, Clerk
Board of Commissioners of the
Housing Authority of the County of Yolo

By _____