Census 2020:
Education & Grant Funding

The importance of ensuring a fair and accurate count in Sarasota County cannot be understated. All of us have a civic responsibility to ensure our growing community has the resources needed for the decade to come.

That is why the Community Foundation of Sarasota County is offering Census 2020 Education support opportunities by strengthening both regional and the City of Sarasota's efforts:

Regional Support
Nonprofit organizations serving the counties of Sarasota, Manatee, Charlotte and DeSoto counties with an active profile in The Giving Partner are able to submit a request for grant funding up to $10,000 through the Community Foundation's "Community Impact Grant" program.

Community Impact Grants are considered on a rolling cycle for requests of to $10,000 that assist with emerging needs or unexpected opportunities. To apply, or for more details, visit https://www.cfsarasota.org/nonprofits/grants.

City of Sarasota Support
The Community Foundation has offered support for the City of Sarasota's Complete Count Committee, which the city established in fall 2019 to ensure "hard to count" communities within the city boundaries are reached during the Census.

Funds are available for census-related activities undertaken by nonprofit organizations that support the city's efforts, such as translating census information, hosting information sessions, or other education efforts.

Applications for grant support must be submitted through the City of Sarasota's Complete Count Committee.

Other Grant Opportunities:
Florida Counts Census 2020 is currently accepting Request for Proposal applications from nonprofit and community-based organizations with thoughtful, culturally sensitive, and innovative strategies for reaching communities that have historically low rates of participation in the Census. Accepted proposals will receive grant funding ranging from $500 to $25,000.

To submit your application, visit https://flcounts.com/rfp/. If you have any questions, please email info@FLCounts.com.

Not sure what to expect with Census 2020? Take four quick minutes to learn about Census 2020 and why it’s important to our community, thanks to a video created by The Patterson Foundation.