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**Dear Resident:** 

About three weeks ago, the U.S. Census Bureau sent the American Community Survey questionnaire to your address. If you have already completed and mailed your questionnaire, thank you very much. If you have not mailed the questionnaire, please send it soon. We have enclosed another questionnaire with this letter.

We realize that you may have recently answered the 2010 Census. Some households, including yours, will receive both the 2010 Census and the American Community Survey this year. **Answering both is important and is required by U.S. law.** Your response is so important that a Census Bureau field representative may attempt to contact you by telephone or personal visit if we do not receive your questionnaire. The Census Bureau is required by U.S. law to keep your answers confidential.

The information collected in the American Community Survey will help decide where new schools, hospitals, and fire stations are needed. The information also is used to develop programs to reduce traffic congestion, provide job training, and plan for the healthcare needs of the elderly.

The enclosed brochure answers frequently asked questions about the American Community Survey. If you need help filling out the questionnaire, please use the enclosed guide or call our toll-free number (1-800-354-7271). Thank you.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures

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