April 12, 2017

**Re: Prepare for the Census Now**

Dear Mayor,

The following information is being sent on behalf of the New Jersey State Data Center, New Jersey Department of Labor & Workforce Development

There is still time to register for the US Census Bureau’s Local Update of Census Addresses (LUCA) informational workshops. The LUCA program provides local governments the opportunity to improve the quality of Census and survey data by helping the Census Bureau verify the accuracy of their address information. Participants can review the address file used for the Census and supply the Bureau with necessary corrections for their jurisdiction.

The U.S. Census Bureau’s New York Regional Census Center will be hosting a series of presentations for the upcoming Local Update of Census Addresses (LUCA) Program & American Fact Finder Workshop.

**Part 1** - The presentation will be an information session about what the LUCA Program is, how it impacts the community/region and how to get involved with the program.

**Part 2** - American Fact Finder is a resource that takes the statistical data collected by the Census Bureau on various topics and makes it available to the public in multiple formats including datasets and map/graphic visualizations. The workshop will focus on how to utilize American Fact Finder to retrieve information.

**THIS EVENT IS OPEN TO ALL GOVERNMENTS REGARDLESS OF COUNTY THEY WORK/LIVE IN**

To register for a workshop location near you visit [http://lwd.state.nj.us/labor/lpa/census/2020/luca_04-17.html](http://lwd.state.nj.us/labor/lpa/census/2020/luca_04-17.html)

**Workshop Dates/Locations:**

**April 20, 2017, 10 AM - Cumberland County Community College, Vineland, NJ**

**April 21, 2017, 10 AM - Morris County Public Safety Training Academy, near Morristown, NJ**

**April 24, 2017, 10 AM - Burlington County Emergency Services Training Center, Westampton, NJ**

**April 25, 2017, 10 AM - Sussex County Library, Newton, NJ**

**April 28, 2017, 10 AM – Monmouth County Division of Planning, Freehold, NJ**
For additional information you can contact the New York Regional Census Center's Geography Department at Phone: 212-584-3430

Sincerely,

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