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The Active Retiree

A Newsletter for Retiree Members of United University Professions

Where do you see yourself in five years?

by **Betty Shadrick**
Albany Officer for Retirees

A panel discussion was convened by the Albany Chapter of the New York Statewide Senior Action Council, Inc., with the goal of helping senior citizens to understand the importance of planning ahead.

A panel of two experts—Ken Harris, executive director of The Albany Guardian Society (AGS), one of the oldest not-for-profit charitable foundations in the Capital Region, and Sandra Nardoci, a licensed real estate broker and senior real estate specialist—addressed seniors Jan. 13 at the Capital District YMCA-Guilderland Branch.

Founded in 1852, AGS’s mission is to engage a wide range of activities: education, research, information and community engagement, all with the expressed purpose of improving the quality of life for seniors, their caregivers and family members. Check out AGS at www.AlbanyGuardianSociety.org

Nardoci possesses extensive training and resources to help seniors walk through the process of selling a home, create a customized approach to market and sell your property, and help you explore other options to ensure your next home best serves your current and future needs.

She provided key options/considerations for seniors to entertain within the next five years: What is the right place/fit for you to live as you grow older? Do you want to remain in your present living environment, or move in with a family member or into an in-law apartment? Relocate to warmer climate? Sell your home? If so, Nardoci said, be sure to engage a certified real estate professional.

She also outlined how to get a home ready to show, as well as how to purchase a smaller, one-story home or condo, or



Shadrick

move into senior housing or an assisted-living facility.

The experts challenged the audience to start the process of exploration early enough so they can properly negotiate the best options for themselves.

“Get your affairs in order, so your children don’t have to!” was the mantra of the event. That means it is crucial to make an honest as-

essment based on needs, mobility, safety concerns, meal preparation requirements, cyber security issues, home repairs, yard maintenance, entertainment interest, etc.

The 2020 Annual Convention of the New York StateWide Senior Action Council, Inc. is scheduled for Oct. 13-15 at the Holiday Inn, Saratoga Springs. Due to the coronavirus pandemic, the date of the event may change. For more information, visit www.nysenior.org or call (518) 436-1006.

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To the Editor

The Great Pacific Garbage Patch

To the Editor:

I read lots of strange things online; some funny, some startling and some sad. One of the environmental blogs sent this out about the Great Pacific Garbage Patch—a floating sea of refuse in the Pacific Ocean halfway between Hawaii and California. The numbers were familiar to me, but I think it's beneficial to remind ourselves just how bad the situation is so that everything we buy, use, toss or touch comes into our environment with its history tacked to it.

I am a theist, so I can see my ultimate disposition. But I cannot imagine what is the ultimate disposition of this overwhelming burden.

Here are some interesting stats on

the Great Pacific Garbage Patch:

- 600,000 square miles wide;
- 2 times the size of Texas;
- estimated to weigh 88,000 tons;
- 1.8 million separate pieces are contained within it; and
- its weight equals 500 jumbo jets.

Oddity: A whale washed up on the beach, dead. When dissected for its flesh to be used as food for other animals, the researchers found 40 pounds of plastic waste in its stomach, which, of course, could not be digested.

We have not evolved far enough to have mechanisms in our metabolism to digest plastic.

Chew on that for a while!

— **Rosemarie Pagano Bundy**
Upstate Medical University

In memoriam

Let us remember those who have passed away since November 2019:

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| Armand Baker Albany | Louis Fanning Farmingdale |
| Sarah Elbert Binghamton | Lee Braude Fredonia |
| James Geschwender Binghamton | Franciska Safran Fredonia |
| Michael Horowitz Binghamton | June Clase Geneseo |
| Samuel Morell Binghamton | Richard Hathaway New Paltz |
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| Linda Caley Buffalo Center | Donald Weinstein New Paltz |
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| Frank Hicklin Buffalo Center | Ruth Kline Plattsburgh |
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| Marie Langone Downstate | Douglas Kemme Upstate |
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| Barbara Marantz Empire State | |

From the RMG Committee Chair

Thanks for your confidence

As my second term as the statewide RMG Committee chair comes to an end, I want to thank you all for the confidence and respect you showed me over the last six years as your elected RMG Committee chair and delegate.

Trying to walk in the shoes of Judy Wishnia, the previous chair and grande dame of labor and women's history, was a daunting task. Judy continued to be a fine teacher and inspiring model. I often called her to discuss the current and demanding issues, seeking her advice and experience.

Having wonderful caring and concerned regional representatives, across the state with whom to share the work—who organized their local campuses to sponsor fascinating and interesting programs—was a blessing and a wonderful resource. Living as I do, in the center of the state, I made as many campus visits as possible, to my delight. As I worked my way from Plattsburgh, down to Binghamton, up to Oswego, to Fredonia, and back down to Farmingdale and Stony Brook (not all at once), I had an opportunity to enjoy the variety and special quality of the varied campuses that make up SUNY. I think I missed one or two, much to my loss, over the years. I, however, even chalked up a visit to eastern Florida to visit some of our retirees there.

Over these years, we saw an enormous growth in our numbers—to almost 6,000 retiree members. To that end, I want to especially thank the hard and dedicated work of the retiree Finance Committee chaired by Barbara Maertz and guided by UUP Director of Finance Tina George, who kept us on the straight and narrow as we carefully cared for your membership dues to provide the many services and benefits you enjoy. The budget has always passed the yearly audits and is on public file for your review. Next year's budget will reflect our growth, both fiscally and geographically. A new region, Finger Lakes, was carved from a heavily

burdened Western New York region, to better serve the members at Geneseo, Alfred and Brockport, a slice down the center of the area.

Representing a large constituency in UUP—with a membership greater than any chapter in UUP—a retiree task force met to address some of the problems of such an enormous and diverse group. The previous name, Committee on Active Retiree Membership (COARM), no longer adequately defined our position within the UUP structure. COARM was confusing to our members, many of whom thought of themselves as COARM members when, in fact, it was only the retirees' elected leaders. Passage of a constitutional amendment remediated that misconception. YOU are the Active Retiree Membership—and the Retiree Membership Governing Committee is your governing body. I hope that clarifies the change!

Another constitutional amendment with ramifications for retirees was up for debate at the 2020 Spring Delegate Assembly, which was postponed due to the coronavirus pandemic. Briefly, the amendment stated that, if adopted, retired members will not be eligible to be elected by the Delegate Assembly to be statewide officers or Executive Board members. However, the statewide elected RMG Committee chair would continue to be the official retiree delegate and non-voting member of the Executive Board.

Among the accomplishments of the last few years was the creation of a chapter officer for retirees. This gave representation and a voice from the retirees to the chapter executive board. The position was meant to be a bridge, with traffic in both directions, between the retirees and the active members of the chapter. It has worked well on some campuses by dint of personal and proactive involvement by these new officers. A two-day workshop for the new retiree officers gave them the tools and means to effectively carry the concerns of the retirees forward, and to



give them continued involvement in the work of UUP. It hasn't been as effective as originally thought; it needs more active interest and accommodation from both sides. The 6,000 UUP retirees have a voice that should be heard with respect, and encouraged.

I have done my bit ... making the retiree voice heard on the floor of the Delegate Assembly, gently reminding the statewide Executive Board of the early UUP history (history tends to repeat itself), trying to make a cohesive whole of 30-plus chapters. I would remind you of our favorite useful publication, found on the web to be downloaded, "Organizing Your Vital Records," which is more important than ever in these dangerous days. Thanks to Pat Stremple, my co-author.

I cannot finish this without special thanks and kudos to UUP staff members Walter Apple and Karen Mattison. Both of them worked with me, tolerated me, corrected me, humored me and made me look good! Mille fois merci!

And welcome to Charlie McAteer, your newly elected chair of the RMGC.

A stylized, handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jo".

— Jo Schaffer

RMGC and retiree news from the chapters, regions

Cortland

Cortland Chapter retiree members, family and friends gathered Jan. 2 for a luncheon meeting.

Dozens enjoyed sharing a meal and listening to guest speaker Sam Kelley, a professor and playwright at SUNY Cortland, about growing up in Arkansas.



DAVE RITCHIE PHOTOS



Above, from left, are Rich Tyler and Loraine Tyler, both of Oneonta; UUP Retiree Member Services Coordinator Walter Apple, Craig Little, Gretchen Herrmann, Kent Klanderman, Gloria Kreh and Sheila Cohen.

Above, left, are Cortland Chapter Officer for Retirees Henry Steck and Chapter assistant Toni Coon. The two organized the event.

Left, from left, are guest speaker Sam Kelley, Sharon Hollenback, David Hollenback, Gretchen Herrmann, Robert Ponterio, Marie Ponterio, Hazel Cramer, Ellen Paterson, Jen Drake and Cortland Chapter President Jackie Pittsley.

Get the *Organizing Your Vital Records* booklet

Having all your personal information in one place can make it easier to deal with the unexpected.

The Retiree Membership Governing Committee has created a checklist designed to be an organizational tool that will help you and your family more easily navigate moments of change. It will also assist you in aggregating your important data.

“We hope this document helps give you a view of your vital information, and some measure of peace of mind for

you and those you hold dear,” said RMG Committee Chair Jo Schaffer.

The document can be found on the UUP website at <https://bit.ly/2E1jNHx> or by contacting Walter Apple, retiree member services coordinator, at wapple@uupmail.org or at (800) 342-4206.



Minutes from RMG Committee webinar

by Loraine Tyler
Oneonta

Members of the Retiree Membership Governing Committee met April 28, in a virtual meeting, due to the coronavirus pandemic.

Present were Jo Schaffer, chair, RMGC; Charles McAteer, Long Island; Stacey Johnson, Western NY; Eric Russell, Metropolitan; Loraine Tyler, Southern Tier; statewide Membership Development Officer Tom Hoey; and Otilie Woodruff, presidential appointee. Also, newly elected RMG Committee reps—who take office June 1—Ray Guydosh, North Country; Paul Griffin, Finger Lakes; Iand rene Stern, Long Island; Financial Committee members Barbara Maertz and Richard Tyler; and Walter Apple, retiree member services coordinator

Schaffer, chair, called the meeting to order at 10:07 a.m.

Minutes of Oct. 26, 2019, were approved as submitted.

Chair's Report—Jo Schaffer

Frequent messages have been sent to chapter retiree officers, RMGC members, and all retirees. District reps and chapter retiree officers are encouraged to reach out to retired members, with the goal of getting retirees move involved in UUP. We now have 5,725 retired members.

Schaffer thanked all for support and help during her six years as chair. She welcomed McAteer as the new chair and retiree delegate.

Finance Committee—Maertz

Report for 2020-2021:
Balance, \$495,624.17; Revenue, \$295,750.00; and Expenses,



FILE PHOTO

Farmingdale retiree Barbara Maertz discusses retiree finances with members of the RMG Committee and chapter officers for retirees at the 2019 Fall Delegate Assembly in Rye Brook, Westchester County. Looking on are Henry Flax of Downstate, left, and incoming RMGC Chair Charlie McAteer.

\$294,357.20

The budget is available for members to review through the Finance Committee.

McAteer moved and Johnson seconded that the report be accepted. Carried.

Money in the budget for spring meetings will be available for summer meetings for retirees, officers for retirees.

Pearl Brod Award

McAteer moved and Loraine Tyler seconded that Johnson be this year's recommended recipient of the Pearl H. Brod Outstanding Retiree of the Year. Carried.

Webpage—McAteer and Woodruff

Several pages are up and ready to go. We need retirees to test the site and suggest additions.

Regional Meetings

All representatives reported that spring meetings were canceled due to the COVID-19 virus and Pause New York movement. Meetings will be scheduled for the summer if restrictions are lifted. It might be possible for each district representative to have planning meetings with their chapter retiree officers. This would be a good time to provide additional training for retiree officers. GoToMeeting could be used for virtual meetings.

Future Issues

- More involvement of retirees
- Emeritus status for all UUP retirees
- Retiree officers more fully developed



What your beneficiaries need to know

Don't forget to remind your beneficiaries that, upon your death, they need to inform the campus Human Resources Department and contact UUP Retiree Member Services Coordinator Walter

Apple at (800) 342-4206. If they don't contact the campus or UUP, they won't get the survivor's benefits: that's \$3,000 from the state and \$1,000 from UUP. Remind them to make the calls!

Marrone earns N-Y Historical Society fellowship

by Karen L. Mattison
UUP Associate Director
of Media and Publications

Daniel S. Marrone, Ph.D., has been selected to receive a one-year fellowship from the prestigious New-York Historical Society to examine and analyze the Morgan Lewis Manuscript Collection.

Morgan Lewis was the son of Francis Lewis, one of the four New York signers of the Declaration of Independence. The younger Lewis was the state's third governor, serving from 1801-1804. During the War of 1812, Mjr. Gen. Lewis was the commander of American forces in upstate New York. He was a key founder of New York University and served as president of the New-York Historical Society from 1832-1835.

"I am very pleased to be able to offer you a one-year fellowship at the New-York Historical Society," wrote Michael Ryan, society vice president, in his letter to Marrone. "The fellowship brings with it a \$2,000 cash award."

The fellowship runs from July 1, 2020-June 30, 2021.

Marrone taught at SUNY from 1984 until 2015, when he retired from Farmingdale State College at the rank of distinguished service professor. Since then, he has devoted his efforts to writing articles and books. He is the author of *New York Heroes: Herkimer, Lincoln, Theodore Roosevelt, and La Guardia*,



Marrone

which was named an eBooks for Kindle Best Seller.

Since 2007, Marrone has written two articles per year for the SUNY University Faculty Senate Bulletin under the byline: Celebrating New York State and New Yorkers.

He was the first SUNY Farmingdale recipient of the Chancellor's Award for Scholarship and Creative Activities.

Marrone received UUP's Phillip H. Smith "Best of the Best" Award in 2019 for his prolific historical writings in *The Active Retiree* and the Farmingdale Chapter newsletter, *Unifier*.

He earned his Ph.D. in business education from New York University.



COVID-19

A new federal mitigation package is crucial

TO: NEW YORK STATE'S DELEGATION

Our nation is at war against COVID-19 and New York State is the epicenter of this crisis. Our state desperately needs significant resources and needs them now. We are asking you to act now on a new COVID-19 mitigation package that provides critical support to New York State.



Send an e-letter to lawmakers at <https://bit.ly/3cvFvFb>

Pandemic reveals limitations of nationalism

by Lawrence Wittner
Albany

We live with a profound paradox. Our lives are powerfully affected by worldwide economic, communications, transportation, food supply, and entertainment systems. Yet we continue an outdated faith in the nation-state, with all the divisiveness, competition, and helplessness that faith produces when dealing with planetary problems.

As we have seen in recent weeks, the coronavirus, like other diseases, does not respect national boundaries, but spreads easily around the world. And how is it being confronted? Despite the heroic efforts of doctors, nurses, and other medical personnel, the governments of individual nations have largely gone their own way—some denying the pandemic's existence, others taking fragmentary and sometimes contradictory steps, and still others doing a reasonably good job of stemming the contagion. The UN's World Health Organization (WHO) should be at the center of a global campaign to contain the disease. But its early warnings were ignored by many national officials, including those of the U.S. government, who rejected the WHO's coronavirus testing kits. Moreover, the WHO has limited funding—more than three-quarters of which now comes from voluntary contributions rather than from the dwindling assessments paid by individual nations. Undermined by parochial national concerns, the WHO has been less effective in safeguarding the health of the world's people than it could have been.

Similarly, the unfolding climate disaster presents a stark contrast between a worldwide problem and the behavior of national governments. The world's leading climate scientists have concluded that urgent changes are needed by 2030 to rescue the planet from irreversible climate catastrophe, including extreme heat, drought, floods, and escalating poverty. And yet, despite an upsurge of social movements to save the planet, national governments have been unable to agree on remedial action, such as sharp curbs on fossil fuel production. Indeed, two of the biggest oil producers—the Russian and Saudi Arabian governments—are currently opening the spigots in an oil production war. For its part, the U.S. government has turned sharply against the solar power industry and is heavily subsidizing the fossil fuel industry. This national irresponsibility occurs despite the urgent pleas of UN leaders. “The point of no return is no longer over the horizon,” UN Secretary-General Antonio Guterres told reporters in late 2019. “It is in sight and hurtling toward us.”

Warfare, of course, constitutes yet another problem of global dimensions. Over the centuries, war has shattered countless lives and brought human civilization to the brink of annihilation. It is estimated that, during the 20th century alone, war (including two world wars) caused 187 million deaths, plus far greater numbers of injuries, widespread devastation, and economic ruin. Furthermore, nuclear war, unleashed in 1945 as the culmination of World War II, today has the potential to wipe out virtually all life on earth. And



Wittner

how are individual nations preparing to avert this global catastrophe? By getting ready to fight wars with one another! In 2018 (the last year for which figures are available), world military expenditures rose to a record \$1.8 trillion, with the governments of the United States and China leading the way. Ignoring the 2017 UN Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons, the nine nuclear-armed nations, at enormous cost, are currently busy ramping up their nuclear production facilities and producing a new generation of nuclear weapons. In response to the looming nuclear

menace and climate catastrophe, the editors of the *Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists* recently reset the hands of their famous “Doomsday Clock” at an unprecedented 100 seconds to midnight.

Nor are these the only global threats that the nation-state system has failed to adequately address. Among other things, the world is undergoing a refugee crisis of vast proportions, suffering from the predatory policies of multinational corporations, and experiencing widespread poverty and violations of human rights. Do we really think that the current crop of flamboyant, flag-waving nationalist leaders, busy promising to make their countries “great” again, are going to solve these or other global problems?

Of course, for centuries there have been great ethical, intellectual and political leaders who have sought to move beyond nationalism by emphasizing the common humanity of all people. “The world is my country,” declared the adopted American revolutionary Tom Paine, and “all mankind are my brethren.” Albert Einstein dismissed nationalism as “an infantile disease.” The idea of limiting national sovereignty in the interest of global security helped spark the creation of the League of Nations and, later, the United Nations.

But, unfortunately, the rulers of numerous countries, though often paying lip service to international law and international security, have never accepted significant limitations on their own government's ability to do what it liked in world affairs. Thus, major military powers hamstrung the League and the United Nations by refusing to join these world organizations, withdrawing from them, vetoing or ignoring official resolutions, and refusing to pay their annual dues or other assessments. A flagrant example of contempt for global governance occurred in mid-March 2020, when the U.S. secretary of state Mike Pompeo ridiculed the International Criminal Court and threatened its staff (and even their family members) for daring to investigate U.S. war crimes in Afghanistan.

Thus, although robust and capable global governance is now more necessary than ever, a primitive, shortsighted nationalism continues to frustrate efforts to come to grips with massive global problems. Even so, an extraordinary danger presents humanity with an extraordinary opportunity. The coronavirus disaster, like the other current catastrophes ravaging the planet, might finally convince people around the globe that transcending nationalism is central to survival.

*(Lawrence Wittner is a professor of history emeritus at the University at Albany and the author of *Confronting the Bomb* published by Stanford University Press.)*

**UNITED UNIVERSITY PROFESSIONS
OFFICIAL 2020 ELECTION REPORT
RETIREE ELECTION**

SUMMARY PAGE

Jan. 10, 2020	● Membership certification date.
Jan. 17, 2020	● Date notice of election and call for nominations mailed to home address of chapter members.
Feb. 18 2020	● Date nominations closed.
Feb. 21 2020	● Date ballots were mailed to home addresses of retiree members.
Mar. 23 2020	● Date ballots were due at the UUP Administrative Office in Albany.
Mar. 26 2020	● Date ballots were counted.

RETURNS

1330	● Number of Control Envelopes:
13	● Number of INVALID control envelopes and reasons invalid:
	0 ● Non-eligible voter.
	13 ● Other: <u>Duplicates</u>
1317	● Number of valid control envelopes.
0	● Number of INVALID ballots envelopes and reasons invalid.
	0 ● Not in sealed inner envelope (secrecy compromised).
	0 ● Secrecy compromised by voter
	0 ● Other: _____
9	● Number of blank ballots
1308	● Number of valid ballots.

We certify that this election was conducted in accordance with the UUP election procedure and that this report constitutes the official election report. **The term of office for each position is from June 1, 2020 through: May 31, 2023.**

SIGNATURES ON FILE

Rob See & Michael Barclay
Co-Chairs, Constitution and Governance Committee

SIGNATURES ON FILE

Jeri O'Bryan-Losee
Secretary / Treasurer

Date: March 26, 2020 Tellers: List of Tellers on File

A welcome from the new RMGC chair

by **Charlie McAteer**
Incoming RMG Committee Chair

I want to thank the more than 1,300 of our Active Retirees who cast ballots in the recent Retired Membership Governing Committee elections.

As your new retired delegate and RMGC chair, I want to continue the leadership and initiatives set forth by outgoing Chair Jo Schaffer. I would like to thank her for expanding our group with the introduction of chapter officers for retirees, as well as for helping to form the new Finger Lakes Region, and keeping us informed during this health crisis.

Once in office, I want to expand on the retiree webpage at <https://uupinfo.org/retiree/> and I welcome your suggestions to make the webpage more accessible.

I look forward to working with the RMGC elected members and with the chapter officers for retirees. I also look forward to meeting many of you at regional retiree events—when conditions allow for face-to-face meetings—and to represent retiree interests as a nonvoting member of the statewide Executive Board.

Please email me your comments at cfmcateer@gmail.com

I hope you continue to stay safe and I thank you for being part of our more than 5,700 UUP Active Retirees.

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OFFICIAL 2020 ELECTION REPORT
RETIREE ELECTION**

RETIRED DELEGATE		
Candidate	Total	Rank
McAteer, Charles F	463	1
Lewis, Sandra A.	296	2
Lisman, Linda C.	190	3
Stahl, Martin	100	4
Babbs, Tommie L.	73	5
Stellaccio, Francis S.	66	6
Steen, Ivan D	2	7
Balkon, Nancy	1	8
Soto-Granado, Monico	1	9
Guydosh, Raymond	1	10
McNitt, F. Glenn	1	11
Puretz, Susan	1	12
Schaffer, Jo	1	13

REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVE		
Candidate	Total	Region
McNitt, F. Glenn (WINNER)	3	A
Solnick, Bruce B.	2	A
Hastings, George	1	A
Levine, Steven	1	A
Steen, Ivan	2	A
Lisman, Linda - INELIGIBLE	1	A
Campbell, David - INELIGIBLE	1	A
Lewis, Sandra - INELIGIBLE	1	A
Strum, Phyllis - INELIGIBLE	1	A
Candidate	Total	Region
Stern, Irene M. (WINNER)	211	B
Marrone, Daniel Scott	130	B
Candidate	Total	Region
Guydosh, Raymond M. (WINNER)	59	C
Marrone, Daniel Scott - INELIGIBLE	1	C
Candidate	Total	Region
Johnson, Anastasia K. (WINNER)	126	D
Lewis, Sandra A.	95	D
Babbs, Tommie L.	34	D
Candidate	Total	Region
Maraviglia, Frank L. (WINNER)	151	E
Borgstede, Bill	1	E
Lyon, Mike	1	E
Candidate	Total	Region
Russell, Eric P. (WINNER)	96	F
Stahl, Martin	28	F
Spier, Sandra	1	F
Candidate	Total	Region
Tyler, Loraine L. (WINNER)	153	G
Candidate	Total	Region
Griffen, Paul B. (WINNER)	63	H
Beardon, James	1	H

Election results are listed in descending order of votes received. Candidates are listed in rank order of votes received; tie votes are listed in rank order as determined by lottery.

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Secretary / Treasurer



AFT CENSUS FAQs

Helping ensure an accurate census count is one of the most important things AFT members can do to help their communities.

Why is the census important?

Representation: Every 10 years, every resident is counted. This count determines representation in Congress and the drawing of districts for federal, state and local offices for the next 10 years.

Funding: The census count determines the allocation of \$700 billion in federal funding to states and localities, including Title I money, the National School Lunch Program and special education grants, for the next 10 years.

Information: Data resulting from the census is used for planning and to allocate resources (e.g., cities use the count of infants to plan where to put schools, parks, libraries, etc.).

Who is counted?

Every person living in the United States—citizens, noncitizen legal residents, and undocumented immigrants—must be counted in the census.

When does the census happen?

In March 2020, households will be sent instructions for completing the census online.

In April 2020, households that have not completed the census online will be mailed a paper census form with instructions to submit by mail.

In May 2020, households without a completed census form will receive a home visit.

Is there a citizenship question on the census?

Should noncitizens fill it out?

There is **NOT** a citizenship question on the census.

It is a federal crime to use any information obtained through a census form for anything other than an accurate count. Census takers cannot ask for money, Social Security numbers or financial information of any kind.

It is required by law that every household complete a census form, including noncitizens.

How can I help my community be counted?

Share about the importance of the census for government funding and representation.

Incorporate the census into your curriculum, including using the AFT's [Share My Lesson materials](#) and the Census Bureau's [Statistics in Schools materials](#).

Explain that it is safe and required for every household to complete the census form.

Connect with a local [Complete Count Committee](#); these are community partnerships working to ensure accurate census counts.

Post census posters at your work site, include information about the census in school or classroom newsletters, and have fliers available for families in lobbies and classrooms.

Offer school computers for families and community members to use to complete the census.

Should I worry about how the U.S. government will use information about me?

The Census Bureau is required by federal law to protect your information, and your data is used only for statistical purposes.

Your responses are compiled with information from other homes to produce statistics, which never identify your home or any person in your home.

It is illegal for the census data to be used for any nonstatistical purpose, such as immigration regulation or other law enforcement purposes.



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In FY2016, New York received

\$73,300,580,954¹



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from 55 federal spending programs using data derived from the 2010 Census. Below is a sample of programs affecting our communities and the amount they received based on the last Census.

The Census means money for our communities.

Learn more at <https://www.aft.org/census2020>

Program	Amount
Medical Assistance Program (Medicaid)	\$34,588,592,000
Federal Direct Student Loans	\$6,601,929,645
Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program	\$4,922,406,430
Federal Pell Grant Program	\$1,775,000,000
Temporary Assistance for Needy Families	\$2,682,847,954
Title I Grants to School Districts	\$1,140,729,371
Special Education Grants (IDEA)	\$777,387,531
Head Start	\$630,497,247
School Breakfast Program	\$220,054,000
Child and Adult Care Food Program	\$266,965,000
Child Care and Development Block Grant	\$123,273,000
Career and Technical Education- Basic Grants to States	\$51,322,979

¹ Prepared by Andrew Reamer, the George Washington Institute of Public Policy, the George Washington University. Spending data analysis provided by Sean Moulton, Open Government Program Manager, Project on Government Oversight. | January 30, 2019

<https://gwipp.gwu.edu/counting-dollars-2020-role-decennial-census-geographic-distribution-federal-funds#Briefs>

Counting for Dollars 2020 publications and spreadsheet with above data available at <https://gwipp.gwu.edu/counting-dollars-2020-role-decennial-census-geographic-distribution-federal-funds>



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