



# ALL ABOUT FLORIDA

A FLORIDA COUNTY RESOURCE

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## *2020 Census Count: Complete, Fair, Accurate*

The Florida Association of Counties (FAC) wrote a letter to each member of Florida's Congressional Delegation and members of Congressional Leadership to express concern and opposition to recent actions that would negatively impact the ability of the U.S. Census Bureau to achieve a full and accurate 2020 Decennial Census (Census). Immediate Congressional intervention is needed to ensure a complete, fair and accurate Census count. The U.S. Census Bureau recently announced that field data collection and the self-response period would be shortened by one month and end on September 30, 2020.

**The Florida Association of Counties OPPOSES the revision of timeframes related to field data collection and the self-response period. Furthermore, the Florida Association of Counties SUPPORTS a process that ensures the complete and accurate count of all individuals, including non-citizens.**

To read the full letter, [click here](#).

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## *Florida Association of Counties Policy Development Process is Underway*

Each year, the Florida Association of Counties engages its members in a deliberative, consensus-built policy development process. The goal is to solicit and develop policy statements on legislative issues affecting county government at both the state and federal levels. Through participation in legislative policy committees and caucuses, county officials identify, discuss, and ultimately vote on issues to be in FAC's Legislative Program.

Specifically, the Federal Policy Committee addresses similar policy issues encountered at the state level but that are initiated at the federal level. Federal priorities will receive final approval in December and will drive the 2021 Federal Action Plan for the Association.

To learn more about FAC's policy development process, [click here](#).

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## *County Best Practices for Implementation of CARES Act Funding*

As Florida counties continue to mitigate the risks of the coronavirus pandemic, they have developed and are continuing to develop best practices and distribution plans for the funds received from the Coronavirus Relief Fund.

FAC has been collecting these plans and making them available through our COVID-19 website so that counties, stakeholders and constituents can have a sense of how counties are planning to distribute the funds and where they are in the decision making process. Plans include funding for small business grants, assistance to families and individuals as well as public health measures related to COVID-19.

For a more complete list of county plans, [click here](#).

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## *Florida Counties Continued Response to COVID-19 Pandemic*

The Florida Association of Counties (FAC), continues to focus on the Coronavirus pandemic and its impact to local government. We are continuing to track counties and how they are operating during this time. Our COVID-19 website contains all information relating to Florida's 67 counties including ordinances and orders, local state of emergency declarations, curfews and reopening information as well as a section for county CARES Act funding distribution plans. FAC has also hosted a series of COVID-19 related webinars to keep our members informed of federal and state issues. Please visit the [website](#) for all things pertaining to Florida counties during the COVID-19 pandemic. [Click here](#) to visit the website.



# COVID-19 RESOURCES

## COVID-19 COUNTY RESPONSE DASHBOARD

FROM THE INSTITUTE FOR COUNTY GOVERNMENT AND THE FLORIDA ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES



### Face Mask Ordinances

Has your county voted on an ordinance requiring face masks in public?

Choices	Percentage	Count
No	64.18%	43
Yes, passed	31.34%	21
Yes, failed	4.48%	3
<b>Total</b>		<b>67</b>

### Public Meetings

Regular BOCC Meetings

**55**

Counties

Meeting in Person

**38**

Counties

Meeting Remotely

**33**

Counties

What virtual format is your county using?

Choices	Percentage	Count
Other	35.82%	24
Zoom	29.85%	20
Facebook Live	17.91%	12
GoTo Meeting/Webinar	10.45%	7
No answer	10.45%	7
YouTube Live	8.96%	6
<b>Total Entries</b>		<b>67</b>
<i>Unanswered</i>		<i>6</i>

How are citizens able to provide public comments?

Choices	Percentage	Count
Other	35.82%	24
Email	28.36%	19
Through electronic chat function	19.40%	13
In person	17.91%	12
No answer	5.97%	4
They cannot	1.49%	1
<b>Total Entries</b>		<b>67</b>
<i>Unanswered</i>		<i>12</i>



[Governor's Executive Orders](#)

[County COVID-19 Websites](#)

[County COVID-19 Policies & Orders](#)

[State Agency COVID-19 Orders](#)

[FAC Updates](#)

[Spreadsheet of FAC's Data](#)

*(updated daily at noon)*

[Webinars](#)

[Counties on the Frontline Report](#)

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