

#### **MAYOR'S NEWSLETTER - MARCH 2010**

As Mayor, it is my charge to ensure our residents participate in the 2010 Census. Between now and April 1, we must do everything in our power to spread the word about the importance of the Census and how it will affect our community.

On a grand scale, the Census will help Harris County officials determine the allocation of government funding. An accurate 2010 Census count might even add a member of congress from our area and more representation in Austin. At the local level, an accurate Census count will increase funding for transportation and infrastructure, and even serve as a guide for current and future job training centers, child-care and community centers, hospitals, schools and other service facilities. It will also boost economic development by providing vital information to businesses that are making critical decisions.

As part of my undertaking, I am asking you to join me in educating our community about why the 2010 Census is vital to our residents and I am asking you to help me in encouraging all citizens to participate in the 2010 Census count.

The City is committed to working with the community to insure an accurate census count in 2010. City staff is working closely with the U.S. Census Bureau and with the Harris County Census Team. Important websites are: <u>http://www.powerinnumbersharriscounty.com</u> and <u>http://2010.census.gov/2010census/</u>

Plans are underway to insure that an accurate count in Jersey Village is achieved. Meetings have been attended, held and information shared. The U.S. Census Bureau will even be using City Facilities on March 1 and March 2 for Training in order to hire local workers to work for the 2010 Census. If you are interested, please be sure to come to the Civic Center and inquire.

**The census is easy.** One of the shortest census forms in history, the 2010 Census form asks 10 questions and takes about 10 minutes to complete.

**The census is safe.** By law, the Census Bureau cannot share respondents' answers with anyone, including other federal agencies and law enforcement entities.

The census is important. \$400 Billion will be allocated as a result of the responses.

Everyone needs to be counted. Watch for the form. Fill out the information. Mail it back in the postage-paid envelope provided. It's that simple. For more information, local households may contact Partnership Specialist Ida Love 713-553-6999 or Lorri Coody, City Secretary at 713-466-2102.

Please help me in spreading the word about how important an accurate Census count is for the City of Jersey Village. Together, we can prove that there is **Power in Numbers**!

Sincerely, Russell Hamlev



# The Census is Coming!!

Answer the questions – It's safe, it's easy, it's important! Your answers mean more money to your community for the next **10 years**!

Don't forget, **you count!** And no one will get the information but the census.

### IT'S IN OUR HANDS!



# Ya Viene el Censo!!

Conteste el cuestionario - ¡El Censo ES CONFIDENCIAL, ES FACIL Y ES IMPORTANTE! ¡Sus contestaciones significan más dinero para su comunidad en los próximos 10 años!

No lo olvide, **¡Usted Cuenta!** Y nadie tendrá acceso a su información, solamente es el Censo.

### ESTA EN NUESTRAS MANOS!

For more 2010 Census information visit/Para mayor informacion visite: <u>www.census.gov</u>

2010 Census Jobs Recruitment call/ Reclutamiento para trabajos con Censo del 2010 llame:

1.866.861.2010