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City of Pine Bluff Awarded \$14,000 Grant for Census Outreach Program

Pine Bluff, AR (October 21, 2019) – The Arkansas Community Foundation has awarded the City of Pine Bluff a grant totaling \$14,000 to assist with its census outreach program. According to City of Pine Bluff Grant Writer Tiffany Copeland, these funds will support efforts to reach hard to count populations and ensure they are counted in the 2020 Census.

The 2020 Census is rapidly approaching and the data from the decennial census is used to determine how half a trillion dollars in federal funds will be distributed to state and local governments, including Jefferson County and Pine Bluff.

Mayor Washington states that “the decennial census provides a uniquely comprehensive data source. Its accuracy affects not only political representation, but also funding to schools, hospitals, roads, public transportation, and grants.”

A Census Town hall meeting is scheduled for Monday, October 28, 2019 from 6:00-7:00 p.m. at the Pine Bluff Convention Center. Residents are encouraged to attend and learn how they can ensure that Pine Bluff is counted and adequately funded in the 2020 Census.

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