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## United States Census 2020

### CENSUS 2020: LUCA TRAINING FOR CITIES

The Census 2020 staff will be presenting two free presentations for local government officials (staff or elected) to understand the LUCA portion of the Census. LUCA is the Local Update of Census Addresses and is important to make sure residents in your city are counted accurately.

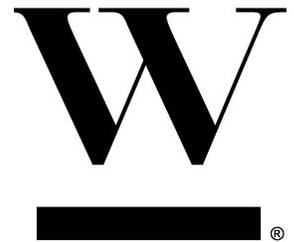
The presentations will be held on January 9 from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in at the Derby Public Library, 1600 Walnut Grove, Derby, KS and on January 11 from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Lawrence-Douglas County Fire Medical, 1911 Stewart Ave., Lawrence, KS.

Please RSVP to Jason Dean, (720) 962-3828 or [jason.p.dean@census.gov](mailto:jason.p.dean@census.gov).

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## LEAGUE ANNOUNCES PARTNERSHIP WITH THE WOMEN'S FOUNDATION

On Thursday, November 30, 2017, League Executive Director Erik Sartorius and Wendy Doyle, CEO of the Women's Foundation, joined Mayor Longwell of the City of Wichita in announcing a new partnership to increase participation in local government. The goal of our collaboration efforts will be to increase representation of diverse populations on boards and commissions by offering a variety of civic engagement trainings and tools. The League wants to assist city staff in managing and recruiting for their boards and commissions, and demystify the process for interested candidates.



“The League works everyday to strengthen the cities of Kansas and our partnership with the Women’s Foundation not only makes our communities stronger, but it addresses the critical issue of diversity in the civic arena,” said League of Kansas Municipalities Executive Director Erik Sartorius.

The League will be working with the Kansas State University Extension and Women's Foundation to develop training and educational materials over the coming months. These materials will be focused on encouraging and implementing policies that foster greater involvement of diverse populations in Kansas' cities.

View the full video of the news conference announcing this partnership [online](#).

## GOVERNING BODY ORIENTATION & TRAINING

Many municipalities will welcome new faces on the governing body in the coming months. Creating a governing body orientation program or packet can help lay the groundwork for a successful transition for elected officials – both new and experienced. An orientation program can help describe the roles within the organization, explain legally required procedures, and educate governing body members about ongoing and existing city projects/programs. Providing a comprehensive orientation program can help new elected officials determine their role and balance the demands of public service with their private life as a resident.



This course is developed for city managers/administrators, city clerks, city attorneys, and elected officials seeking ideas for orientation procedures. Webinar registration is required ahead of time (limited to 100 participants). Webinar cost is \$25 for member cities, \$35 for non-member cities. The webinar will be held on Tuesday, December 12 from 10:00 – 11:00 a.m. [Register online](#).

The League is also developing a special insert in the January/February 2018 *Kansas Government Journal* for newly elected officials. This will be a "quick reference" guide for elected officials and will be available before swearing in on January 8, 2018.