

County Planning Connection May 2020 News

Census Updates

COVID 19 Surveys: The U.S. Census Bureau has published its first round of results for two new surveys designed to measure the social and economic impacts of the COVID 19 pandemic. The Household Pulse Survey (HPS) shows how COVID 19 is impacting jobs, finances, access to food, health, housing and schooling at the household level. The Small Business Pulse Survey (BPS) includes information on location closings, changes in employment, disruptions in the supply chain, the use of federal assistance programs, and expectations concerning future operations. Both surveys are conducted weekly through the end of July 2020, and results are published in near-real-time each week. You can access this data as follows:

HPS: <https://www.census.gov/householdpulsedata>

BPS: <https://portal.census.gov/pulse/data/>

2019 Subcounty Population Estimates: The U.S. Census Bureau has released 2019 population estimates for Townships, Villages and Cities. The data can be downloaded here:

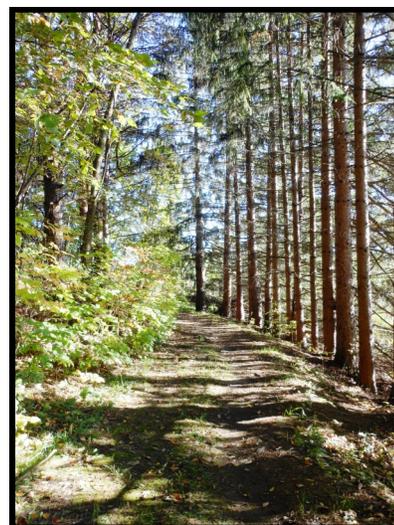
<https://www.census.gov/data/tables/time-series/demo/popest/2010s-total-cities-and-towns.html#ds>

2020 Census Response Rates: Michigan has inched forward this week to rank fourth in the Nation for the highest response rate to the 2020 Census. The response rate for the entire state was 66.4% compared with the Nation's rate of 59.7%. Livingston County has the highest response rate of all Michigan counties with a response rate of 78.7%. Livingston County has the #12 highest response rate nationwide!

Lutz County Park Video Tour

With the beginning of warmer weather and with our current Michigan Stay Home Order, we thought it was the perfect time to acquaint you with the Lutz County Park trail system and encourage you to visit and to recreate, meditate, contemplate, or whatever you need to do to care for yourself during this stressful time (while practicing safe social distancing).

The approximately 6 minute park video tour is led by Kathleen Kline-Hudson, who introduces the viewer to some of the highlights located along the 1.3 mile trail created by park benefactor Owen Lutz. She tells of various activities that have taken place in the park, wildlife habitat, flora and fauna, and future plans for the park. The video park tour is available on the Livingston County Facebook page at: <https://tinyurl.com/y9nac8bn> We hope that you will enjoy this introduction to Lutz County Park and will plan a visit real soon!



Lutz County Park is one of two Livingston County parks. It is a rural park located at 3355 Lutz Road, just north of the intersection of Lutz and Cohoctah Roads in the northeast corner of Livingston County in Deerfield Township. 100 acres of the park is dedicated to passive recreation.