



Mayor Justin Hanson

# Newsletter - November 15, 2019



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1st Tuesdays - Public Works Committee  
Jeff Morris - Chairman, Minnie Bommer, Danny Wallace

2nd Tuesdays - General Welfare and Public Relations Committee  
Minnie Bommer - Chairwoman, Keith Phelps, C.H. Sullivan

3rd Tuesdays - Finance and Administration Committee  
C.H. Sullivan - Chairman, All Aldermen/Alderwomen attend

4th Tuesdays - Public Safety Committee  
Keith Phelps - Chairman, C.H. Sullivan, Johnetta Yarbrough

All regularly scheduled committee meetings are at 4:00 pm in the Lower Level Conference Room at Covington City Hall at 200 W. Washington St. All Board of Mayor and Aldermen meetings are held on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday evenings of each month at 5:30 pm in the Board Room on the 2nd floor at Covington City Hall. ALL are open to the public. Official meeting minutes and agendas can be found by visiting [www.covingtontn.com](http://www.covingtontn.com).

## **General Welfare and Public Relations Committee Meeting – 11/12/19 – 4:00 p.m.**

Present: Chairwoman Alderwoman Minnie Bommer, Alderman Jeff Morris, Mayor Justin Hanson, Alderman Danny Wallace, Alderman Keith Phelps, Alderwoman Johnetta Yarbrough, Airport Director Robin Anderson, Parks & Rec Director Joseph Mack, Museum Director Barrie Foster, Mayor's Assistant Rebecca Ray, Echo Day

Not Present: Alderman C.H. Sullivan, Recorder Treasurer Tina Dunn

### **Airport Report – Director Robin Anderson**

Fuel Report 7140 gallons, good month but anticipating a slow down through the winter months

Hosted CIAA 2<sup>nd</sup> graders at the airport last week for a field trip

Lighting project update, hopeful re-check will happen next week

Tree Removal on the Taylor property completed

Removed 10 trees, did not exceed \$15,000, will be sent updated license

Fuel System

Fuel management system is becoming obsolete (dial-up system)

Would like to apply for grant, price to change out system is \$16,530.58

June 2020 we may lose service for that system (self-serve system)

Alderman Wallace asked if this was mechanical and also software, Director Anderson clarified that this was only the credit card self-serve system. The pumps are fine. It interfaces with old system.

Alderwoman Bommer asked when grant could be approved. Director Anderson stated early next year.

Mayor Hanson made a motion to proceed with grant application, Alderman Phelps 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion passes

Mayor Hanson made motion to accept report, Alderman Phelps 2<sup>nd</sup>, approved

### **Parks & Rec Report – Director Joseph Mack**

Bicycle Park / Playground (Project Diabetes Grant)

Showed schematic of bike park, running trail, pump track, individual features

Other amenities being considered

Bicycle repair stations

Eco Counters (how many people are using the park) – installing 3 of them

Community Build

4-6 people for one week to get it installed.

Will be asking for 10 people per day

Date March 23-27, 2019 (Spring Break)

Community Service Hours

TN Promise hours

Teens in the Park

Parks are normally built for 3-12 year olds

Asked teens what they would like to have in the park, they responded “cornhole” and “pingpong”

Concrete products, may be able to get corporate sponsors to offset cost

Project Play Expressions Swings

Received funding from CEDC - \$3330 for two swings at Project Play

Will be added in Spring 2020

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## General Welfare and Public Relations Committee Meeting - Continued

### Kids Run the Nation

- Kids running club, meant to introduce running to children very early
- Individual groups of coaches and volunteers, afterschool kids, special needs kids
- Rewards for kids who participate
- Program is free initially
- Looking for volunteers

### Grants/Prizes

- Healthier TN Level II Grant
  - Opportunity for Team Tipton to be awarded Gold Level
  - QR Fit Trail Poster, will give videos on phone of exercise you can do
  - Locations: Cobb Parr Park and Frazier Park
- 2020 RWJF Culture of Health Prize, building a culture of health, Prize is \$25,000

### Recreation Software

- Sportsman Software
- Online support, live training, patron communications, more flexibility, launch first of year

### CPR Teammate of the Year

- Nominees: Sherl Rose, Leann Steward, Lily Yates
- Recognized December 23rd

Alderman Wallace mentioned American Baseball Coaches Association Show in Nashville.

Mayor Hanson made motion to accept Parks & Rec Report, Alderman Phelps 2<sup>nd</sup>, approved

### Tipton County Museum – Barrie Foster

- Veteran of the Month Reception tonight (Tuesday) at 6:30
- Artist Series for Kids, Alma Thomas & the Abstraction – Feb 1<sup>st</sup>, 1-4 p.m.
- A Passion for Art – tomorrow is last class, has been very successful
- Painted Christmas Card Workshop – 29 participants
- “The Christmas Spider” book and craft – 12/14, 10:00 a.m.
- FamilySearch Online Library Lecture – 1/25, 10:00 a.m.
- Featured artists The Blanchards – Angel pins and earrings
- Watercolor Landscapes returning
- Debra Howze is returning to do Valentine theme workshop 1/11, 1-4 p.m.
- Community Arts Coalition Proposal
  - CAC can promote art, bring community together, increase revenue and tax dollars
  - Director Foster sees great opportunities for many community organizations to participate
  - Director Foster would not be the leader but would help get it started
  - Mayor Hanson suggested getting non-profit started so that they can take donations
  - Director Mack thinks January would be good to start bringing potential people to the table

Mayor Hanson made motion to accept museum report, Alderman Phelps 2<sup>nd</sup>, approved

Mayor Hanson made motion to adjourn, Alderman Phelps 2<sup>nd</sup>, meeting adjourned

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# COVINGTON FIRE DEPARTMENT



**Congratulations to  
Nick Tindall and  
Matt Massey!**

**Fire Officer I Certification**



**KEEP ANYTHING THAT CAN  
BURN AT LEAST THREE FEET  
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EQUIPMENT.**

Stay warm *and* safe during cold weather.



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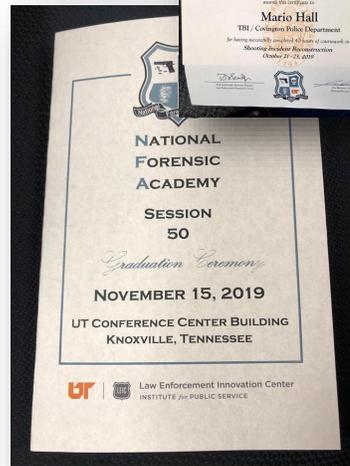
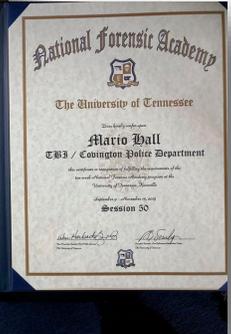


**COVINGTON FIRE DEPARTMENT**

101 Tennessee Avenue, Covington, TN 38019  
901-476-2578



# COVINGTON POLICE DEPARTMENT



Mayor Hanson was honored to join Covington Police Department Chief Larry Lindsey today in attending Covington Police Officer Mario Hall's graduation from the National Forensic Academy in Knoxville. This was the 50th graduating NFA class! Members of this prestigious 10-week course are chosen worldwide. It provides some of the best forensic and crime scene training in the country. Officer Hall is currently attached to the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation Task Force. This partnership provides us with additional resources and technology as we continue to improve public safety in Covington.

***Congratulations Officer Hall! We are so proud of you and your hard work!***



# US Attorney General William Barr Visits Memphis



Mayor Hanson and Chief Lindsey joined US Attorney General William Barr Wednesday as he announced a new crime-fighting initiative called Project Guardian. This is a nationwide strategic plan to reduce gun violence by emphasizing the enforcement of gun prohibitions based on domestic violence convictions and mental health denials. The U.S. Attorney's Office for the Western District of Tennessee, and the ATF will begin further partnering with state and local agencies to begin this initiative. Police Chief Larry Lindsey and the Covington Police Department are fully committed to collaborating with Sheriff J.T. 'Pancho' Chumley, District Attorney Mark E. Davidson, and US Attorney Mike Dunavant to vigorously present gun-related crimes for federal prosecution.

# Ladies NIGHT OUT

## TONIGHT!!

Calling all ladies!!! Come and get prepared for Christmas by shopping with local businesses, get personalized gifts for your loved ones, or treat yourself to a new outfit, purse, or jewelry! Enjoy the music, food, and company! GNO (girls nights out) are always a welcomed treat! This year we welcome the Mayor of Munford and Ms Tennessee International 2019 as the guest speakers, work shops, shopping, and a Fashion Show by Akins Clothing! We're gathering together to straighten each other's crowns in 2019!!

*As always, Guest admission is free!  
Friday, November 15th, 5-9 p.m.  
The Balcony, Munford*

## IN MEMORY & HONOR

of

### TIPTON COUNTY VETERANS

Patriotic Art Exhibit  
&  
Tipton County Community Choir

*Tipton County Veterans Service Office  
1286 Munford Ave.  
Munford, TN 38058*

**November 23, 2019  
10:00am - 4:00pm**

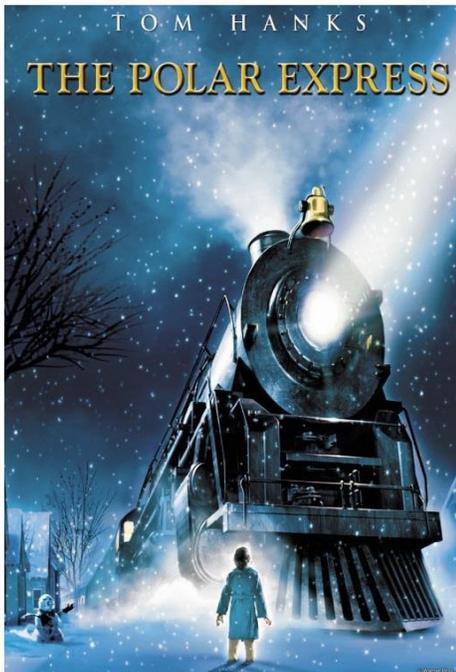
Hotdog lunch provided 11:00am - 2:00pm.



## *Covington Christmas Parade December 3, 2019 - 7pm*

The Covington Christmas Parade is set for December 3, 2019. Parade participant forms must be completed and received by the City of Covington no later than noon, December 2nd. Parade night check-in begins at 5:30 pm on South College in front of the Covington High School Athletic Field. Everyone must be lined up and ready to go by 6:45pm. Parade Participant forms can be found on the City's web page or can be picked up on the first floor of the Covington Civic Center, HR Office, Room 108. For more information, you may contact City Events Coordinator, Karen Griffin at 901.475.7139, email [kgriffin@covingtontn.com](mailto:kgriffin@covingtontn.com) or Fax: 901.475.0213.

# ALL ABOARDRRRRD!!!

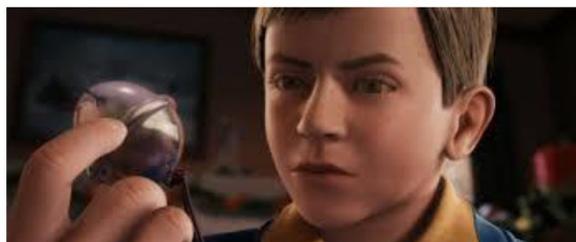


Make plans now and get your Christmas started with a magical train ride.

*The Polar Express* movie will be shown at the Covington Civic Center, Thursday evening, December 5<sup>th</sup>, at 6pm.

- Make a photo on Main Street at our very own train before entering the station.
- Only children require a Golden Ticket to enter the Main Street Station for refreshments. Cost of each Golden Ticket is \$8 for the first child, additional children \$5 each. One adult is required to attend with children at no charge. Additional adults, \$8 each.
- Hot – Hot – Hot Chocolate & Cookies will be served beginning at 5:30pm. The movie will begin at 6pm after refreshments are served and all boarding tickets have been punched.
- Pajamas are the encouraged attire.
- Seats are limited. Tickets can be purchased in advance at the Covington Civic Center. For more information, call 901.475.7179. Each child will leave with a special bell. Come share the adventure with your family and friends.

*The Bell Still Rings For  
Those Who Truly Believe!*





TIPTON COUNTY  
MUSEUM

# Living History Day



## TIPTON COUNTY MUSEUM

VETERANS MEMORIAL & NATURE CENTER

751 BERT JOHNSTON AVE, COVINGTON

**SATURDAY, NOV. 16, 2019 ■ 10AM TO 2 PM**

Join us for this FREE event featuring Civil War and World War II reenactors, musket, rifle and cannon firing demonstrations, weapon and period clothing exhibits and lectures regarding the life of common soldiers and women in the Civil War.



On Tuesday, November 12th, family and friends gathered at the Tipton County Museum to honor our November Veteran of the Month Waymon Boyd McDade and thank him for his service to our country. The Girl Scouts provided refreshments and it was a wonderful evening. If you would like to nominate a Tipton County Veteran for Veteran of the Month, please call 901-476-0242.



Thanks to Tipton Christian Academy, Canaan Baptist Church, and the Johnson family for your generosity in feeding our public safety personnel, the Tipton County Commission on Aging, and others on Thursday this week. TCA 2nd graders, along with their parents and teachers Karen Jeffrey and Sara Steward, held a community helpers luncheon. The Johnson family held their annual Thanksgiving luncheon at Canaan Baptist. We live in a wonderful city and county that give so much. We are grateful!



MONDAY EVENINGS,  
6:00 PM, ST.  
MATTHEW'S EPISCOPAL

# MUSIC

Learn more about  
us by visiting our  
Facebook page!



## Tipton County Community Chorus

**TIPTON COUNTY COMMUNITY**  
CHORUS, 6:00 PM, MONDAYS, ST MATTHEW EPISCOPAL CHURCH



**FREE**  
**FLU SHOTS**  
**ONE DAY ONLY!**

**#FightFluTN**  
[www.tn.gov/health/fightflu](http://www.tn.gov/health/fightflu)



TIPTON COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT  
4700 MUELLER BRASS ROAD  
COVINGTON, TN 38019

**11.19.2019**

**9:30 A.M. TO 12:30 P.M.**

You're Invited to have  
Coffee with Mayor Hanson

**Where:** Pappy & Jimmie's  
**Time:** 7:30-9:00 a.m.  
**Date:** November 26th

*Come and go as you please!*

*Pappy and Jimmie's is located at 749 N. Main St.*

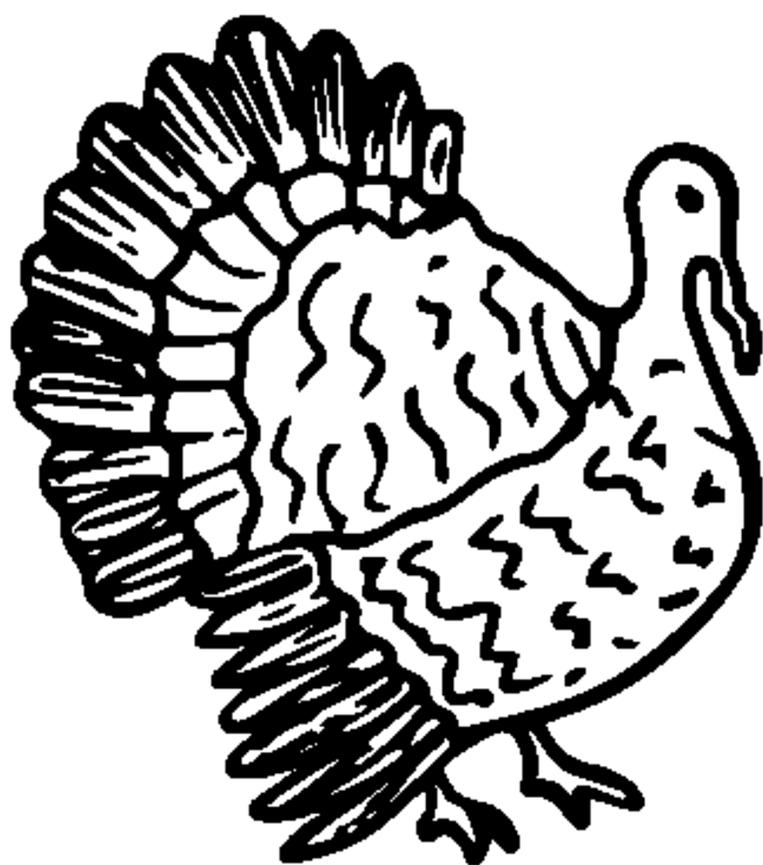
# BE A MENTOR

Apply at [tnAchieves.org](http://tnAchieves.org)  
by December 6

tnAchieves, the local partnering organization for TN Promise, needs volunteers to serve as mentors for the Class of 2020! TN Promise allows any graduating high school senior the opportunity to attend a community or technical college tuition and fee free. Many of the students will be the first in their family to attend college and may also need some additional, non-financial support. tnAchieves provides this support by pairing each scholarship applicant with a volunteer mentor. The program needs more than 9,000 mentors across the state!  
**Locally, Tipton County needs 133 mentors to support our students!**



tnAchieves mentors spend about one hour per month working with a group of students to help eliminate the barriers associated with the transition from high school to college. Mentors remind students of important deadlines, serve as a trusted college resource and, most importantly, encourage students to reach their full potential. The time commitment is small, only about one hour per month, **but the impact on the students can be life changing.** To learn more and apply you can visit [www.tnachieves.org/mentors/apply](http://www.tnachieves.org/mentors/apply) or contact Graham Thomas with tnAchieves at [graham@tnachieves.org](mailto:graham@tnachieves.org) or (615) 604-1306.



**27**

**NOVEMBER**

**6PM-8PM**

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**FREE!**

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# NOVEMBER EVENTS @ YOUR LIBRARY



**Monday-Thursday**

8:00 - 7:00 PM

**Friday**

8:00-5:00 PM

**Saturday**

9:00-3:00 PM

**Tipton County Public Library**

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Covington, TN 38019

476-8289

[tiptoncountylibrary.com](http://tiptoncountylibrary.com)



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The Friends of the Tipton County Public Library have signed up for the Kroger Community Rewards program as a way to earn money for the library. Visit the Kroger Community Rewards Enrollment page and either sign in to your Kroger account or create a new account. Register your Kroger Plus Card if you have not already. Click on your name in the Top left corner of the page to view your account summary. Scroll down to the Community Rewards section and click Enroll. The Friends of TCPL Organization Number is **YT023**

The enrollment is good for one year. So in order to continue to support the Friends you will be asked to re-enroll each year.

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## Tipton County Public Library Board of Trustees

Mr. Dwight Stanton, President

Ms. Mary Kate Huffman

Ms. Trena Jones

Ms. Chris Christmas

Ms. Ann McGowan

Ms. Gwinn Stitt

Ms. Courtney Fee

The Library Board normally meets at 5:30 PM on the last Monday, of every other month in the Community Meeting Room. All meetings are open to the public.

**Next scheduled meeting is NOV. 25th**

## HOLIDAY HOURS

**CLOSED**

**NOV. 11th**



**NOV. 28-30th**

**CLOSING AT 5:00 P.M.**

**NOV. 27th**

# NOVEMBER EVENTS @ YOUR LIBRARY



## TIPTON COUNTY STITCH-ALONG NOV. 16th 10-12:00 PM

Crochet & Knitting Group bring a project to work on, or if you want to learn, bring the following supplies:

Skein of Red Hear Super Saver yarn  
size H crochet hook or size 10 knitting needles

## COLORING CLUB NOV. 19th @ 12:00PM

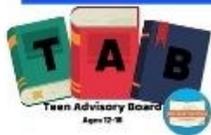
**BOOK CLUB**  
*An Unwanted Guest*  
by Shari Lapena  
NOV. 19th @ 1:00PM



## Movie Days

Ages 18 & Up  
@ 1:00 PM

*The Lion King* -NOV. 5th [PG] 118 mins  
*Angel of Mine* - NOV. 12th [R] 98 mins.  
*The Preacher's Wife* -NOV. 22nd [PG] 124 mins  
*The Kitchen*- NOV. 26th [R] 80 mins.



NOV. 16th @ 11:00 AM

TAB is a group of teens ages 12-17, who meet once a month to help plan teen activities, select new materials, and volunteer.

## West Tennessee Historical Society on the Road: Early 20th Century in Tipton County

NOV 9th @ 10:30 AM

Lecture provided by Mr. David A. Gwinn,  
WTHS board member and Tipton County Local Historian &  
Genealogist

**GENEALOGY HELP**  
w/ River City Chapter of  
the Daughters of the  
American Revolution  
DEC. 9th 9:30-11:30AM



**ANIME CLUB**  
NOV. 16th @ 1:00 PM

AGES 12-17



**Friends of the Library Meeting**  
NOV. 21st @ 7:00 PM

New members are welcome!



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## LEGO CLUB

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NOV. 7th @ 1:00 PM  
NOV. 21st @ 4:00 PM  
NOV. 23rd @ 11:00 AM

## HOMESCHOOL BOOK CLUB

NOV. 21st

K-3 - 1:00 PM & 3rd & Up 1:15 PM

*November Night (K-3)*

by Ron Roy

*Mayflower Secret (3rd & Up)*

by Dave Jackson

Copies are available at the front desk for checkout

Donate your old LEGO's to our  
LEGO Club!

**Mother Goose Story Time**  
Ages 0-2  
Every Thursday @ 9:00AM

**Preschool Story Time**  
Every Wednesday & Thursday  
@ 10:00AM

**1,000 Books Before Kindergarten**

Ages 0-PreK

Sign-up at the Library

**READ BOOKS, WIN PRIZES**



## MAKE IT @ YOUR LIBRARY

NOV. 7th @ 4:00 PM



AGES 11 & UNDER



## FAMILY MOVIES

ALL AGES

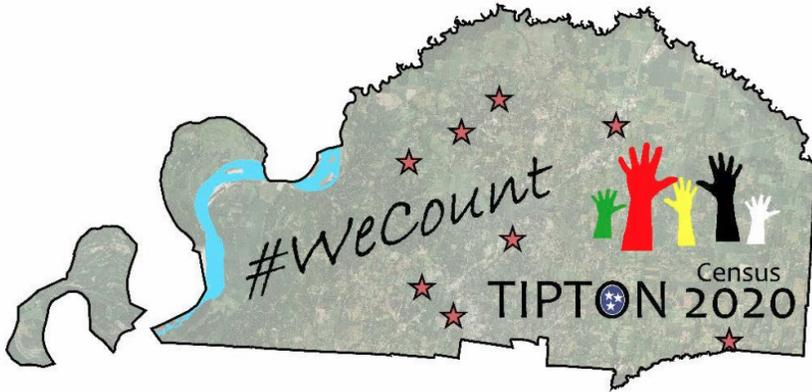
**Spider-Man: Far From Home**

Nov. 25th @ 1:00 PM [PG-13] 129 mins

**Toy Story 4**

Nov. 26th @ 10:00 AM [G] 100 mins





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**#2020census**

This information is designed to help citizens of Tipton County to understand the importance of participating in the 2020 Census by completing and submitting the questionnaire. Every municipality and the County are committed to ensuring that all individuals living in Tipton County on April 1, 2020, are counted in the Census. Our ultimate goal is to ensure that in Tipton County, we:

**COUNT EVERYONE ONCE, ONLY ONCE, AND IN THE RIGHT PLACE.**



Each year, the Federal Government distributes \$675 billion dollars in federal funds based on an area's population per the Census count. Our county will receive money to support school lunches, housing, food stamps, all manner of grants, and many other programs based on the Census. The 2020 Census will be the basis of these distributions for the next ten years. Our Constitution requires that all residents of the United States are to be counted in the Census every ten years.



The Census Count is used to determine how many representatives our district has in Congress, and can also potentially affect your county district representation.



Historically, the under-counted persons who did not participate in the Census were children under the age of five, immigrants, and people with a lower income.



A complete and accurate Census is paramount to equity, opportunity, and addressing the many issues faced by our region and the nation.



Local Census Partners: • Tipton County Government • City of Covington • Town of Mason • Town of Atoka • Board of Education • Tipton County Library • City of Munford • Covington-Tipton County Chamber of Commerce • South Tipton Chamber of Commerce • UT AG Extension • Town of Brighton • First Utility District • STEMC • The Leader • City of Gilt Edge • Town of Burlison • Town of Garland • Community Organizations • Businesses • Local Philanthropic Organizations • Munford Memorial Library • Churches • UT/TSU

[www.tiptonco.com/census2020](http://www.tiptonco.com/census2020)