A message from the Director, U.S. Census Bureau...

The U.S. Census Bureau is requesting your help with the 2014 Annual Survey of Local Government Finances. This survey, authorized by Title 13, United States Code, Section 182, provides measures of revenue by source, expenditures by character and function, indebtedness by term, and cash and investments by purpose for local governments in the United States.

This survey is the only comprehensive source of information on the finances of local governments in the United States. The information collected in this survey serves as an integral part of the foundation for developing national economic and public policy by measuring public activity.

This survey has been approved by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) and given the number 0607-0585. Display of this number confirms that we have approval from OMB to conduct this survey. If this number was not displayed, under the Paperwork Reduction Act, we could not request your participation in this voluntary survey. Information provided in this survey compiled from or customarily provided in public records are exempt from confidential treatment as cited in Title 13, United States Code, Section 9.

Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to be an average of 24 hours per response, including time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing the burden to: Paperwork Project 0607-0585, U.S. Census Bureau, 4600 Silver Hill Road, AMSD-3K138, Washington, DC 20233. You may e-mail comments to Paperwork@.census.gov, use Paperwork Project 0607-0585 as the subject.

Thank you for participating in the 2014 Annual Survey of Local Government Finances. The Census Bureau appreciates your help.

Enclosures