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**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
U.S. Census Bureau**

Office of the Director
Washington, DC 20233-0001

A Message from the Director, U.S. Census Bureau:

We request your participation with the **2021 Annual Survey of Local Government Finances**. This survey 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. It 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. For example, the U.S. Department of Justice uses our expenditure data to calculate the required pass-through percentages from state to local governments for the Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grants.

Information about the authority, confidentiality, and burden of this data collection can be found on the back of this letter.

For assistance with completing this survey, call our customer help line at 1-800-832-2839, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Eastern time.

Thank you in advance for your time and participation, and for helping the U.S. Census Bureau measure America's people and economy.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Steven D. Dillingham".

Steven D. Dillingham
Director

OMB Number

This collection has been approved by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). The eight-digit OMB approval number is 0607-0585 and appears in the top right corner of each reporting screen. Without this approval, we could not conduct this survey.

Authority and Confidentiality

Title 13, United States Code (U.S.C.), Sections 161 and 182, authorizes the U.S. Census Bureau to conduct this collection and request your voluntary assistance. These data are subject to provisions of Title 13, U.S.C., Section 9(b), which exempts data that are customarily provided in public records from rules of confidentiality.

Burden Estimate Statement

We estimate the Annual Survey of Local Government Finances will take an average of 24 hours per response to complete. Factors such as government size, complexity and activity will affect your actual time to complete the survey. This estimate includes the time to review instructions, search existing data sources, gather and maintain the data needed, and complete and review the survey.