

## Grant County 2020 Census Complete Count Committee Everyone Counts!

Medford, OK – The 2020 Census count is less than one month away. The Grant County Complete County Committee (CCC) Ambassadors held their monthly meeting March 5 at the Grant County District 2 Shop in Medford. Cindy Bobbitt, Chair, called the meeting to order with members Max Hess, Kathy Morrison, Cindy Pratt, Rose Moyer, Sherri Eulberg and Dessie Scott in attendance.

March 2-6 was focused on Statistics in Schools Week, aimed to educate students about the importance of the once-a-decade county. The Grant County CCC joined the movement by sponsoring an “I Count” coloring contest for the four public schools in Grant County, Deer Creek-Lamont, Medford, Pond Creek-Hunter and Timberlake. Students in grades Pre-K to 3<sup>rd</sup> grade were given coloring pages with fun facts about the 2020 Census. The CCC ambassadors judged each grade for each school with 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> placings. Ribbons will be presented later this month to all 375 students who participated.

The Faith Communities Census Weekend of Action has been proclaimed by the US Census for March 27-29, 2020. The Grant County CCC Ambassadors competed flyers for the faith-based community and provided printed copies to be distributed to each church serving the community with request to put the flyer inside their church bulletin.

Responses to the census is safe, secure and protected by federal law. There are only 9 questions and takes about 10 minutes to complete. The census can be completed online, by phone or by mail. Local communities depend on the census population to secure grant opportunities and federal and state funding for county roads and bridges, public schools for meals and head-start programs, as well as for emergency services, fire departments, ambulance services, senior nutrition programs and much more.

For more information on how you can participate or for questions about the 2020 Census, please contact Cindy R. Bobbitt, Grant County CCC Chair, at 580-395-2859 or by email at [cindybobbitt8950@gmail.com](mailto:cindybobbitt8950@gmail.com). This census is very important to Grant County, please take time to fill out your census!