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**TIOGA COUNTY, NY**



### **BE COUNTED IN THE 2010 CENSUS**

It's that time again – the United States Census Bureau will be counting the nation's population on April 1<sup>st</sup> of this year for the 2010 Census. Why is this important to us in Tioga County? The population data collected during the decennial census is the basis for all federal and state aid funding Tioga County agencies receive. This is especially important to non-profit agencies that service clients with limited income such as Tioga Opportunities, Inc., Catholic Charities of Tompkins and Tioga Counties and Tioga County Department of Social Services. Additionally, by mandate of the U. S. Constitution, the decennial census is the basis for reapportionment of our federal representatives' districts. This also applies to state and county representatives. Tioga County's population has been steadily declining over the past 3 decades and is in jeopardy of falling under 50,000. This could mean loss of political representation at all levels of government. The Census Bureau plans to mail out the forms by March 19<sup>th</sup>. So please do your part and BE COUNTED by completing your 2010 Census form and mailing it back to the U. S. Census Bureau on April 1<sup>st</sup>.

If you have any questions regarding the U. S. Census 2010, please contact Elaine Jardine, Tioga County Planning Director by e-mail at [jardinee@co.tioga.ny.us](mailto:jardinee@co.tioga.ny.us) or by phone at 607-687-8257.