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Philanthropy's Response to the Addition of a Citizenship Question to the 2020 Census

The call will begin shortly.
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Get support, stay informed

Access to Census Funders Resources

Connect with others

Webinars, in-person presentations

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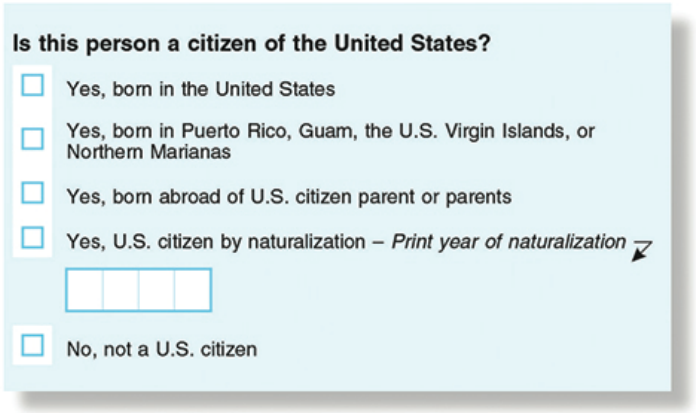
Speakers:
Gary Bass, Bauman Foundation
Maggie Osborn, United Philanthropy Forum
Corrine Yu, Leadership Conference Educational Fund

THE CITIZENSHIP QUESTION



Is this person a citizen of the United States?

- ☐ Yes, born in the United States
- ☐ Yes, born in Puerto Rico, Guam, the U.S. Virgin Islands, or Northern Marianas
- ☐ Yes, born abroad of U.S. citizen parent or parents
- ☐ Yes, U.S. citizen by naturalization – *Print year of naturalization*
- ☐ No, not a U.S. citizen

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Since March 26 (Sec. Ross' decision): Litigation

- State of CA
- State of NY, on behalf of 18 states, 9 cities, 4 counties, and bipartisan U.S. Conference of Mayors
- Seven residents of MD and AZ
- City of San Jose and Black Alliance for Just Immigration
- MALDEF, Asian Americans Advancing Justice-AAJC, and other civil rights groups
- ACLU and immigrant rights groups

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Since March 26 (Sec. Ross' decision): Congress

- House Oversight and Government Affairs Committee hearings
- Letter from 17 senators requesting additional information regarding the Trump administration's political reasons for adding the citizenship question
- Letter from nearly 60 House Democrats to Ross regarding his contradictory statements on the citizenship question

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Since March 26 (Sec. Ross' decision): Stakeholders

- Community-wide mobilization
- National stakeholder calls and technical assistance
- Social science research
- Amicus brief campaign
- Public comments campaign

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Census Public Comment Period: What to Know

- 60-day comment period ending August 7
- Show breadth and diversity of organizations and individuals who care about this issue
- Create strong, clear public record from a range of stakeholders and experts

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Census Resources

- www.civilrights.org/census/
- Fact sheets
  - Citizenship question
  - "Counting for Dollars" (federal funding)-GWU
  - Hard-to-count populations
- Hard-to-count map (CUNY)
- Reports
- Latest census news

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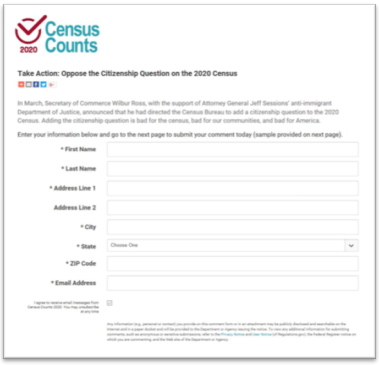

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Census Data Quality

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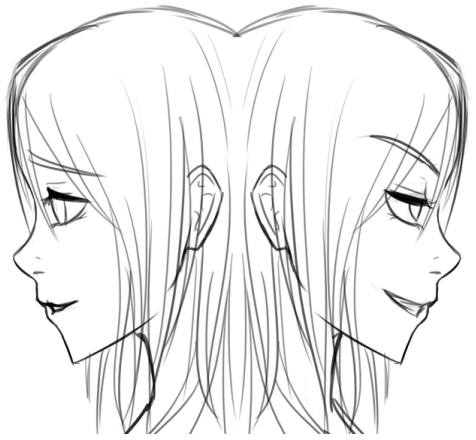
Our Objective

Operating on Two Fronts

OPPOSE CITIZENSHIP QUESTION



SUPPORT GOTC EFFORTS

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Rules to Follow

These are NOT Lobbying Activities:

- Non-Legislative Actions to Oppose Citizenship Question (e.g., submit comments)
- Support Non-Legislative Opposition to Citizenship Question
- Support Census Research
- Support GOTC
- General Support

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Funder Sign-On

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What You Can Do

1. Sign on to the Funder or PSO Letter
2. Send your own Letter
3. Get your Grantees to Submit Comments

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What Else Needs to Happen

Beyond the Citizenship Question:

1. Other Policy Issues
2. Develop Messages for GOTC
3. Build Digital Capacity
4. Address Misinformation
5. Business Outreach
6. GOTC to Hard-to-Count

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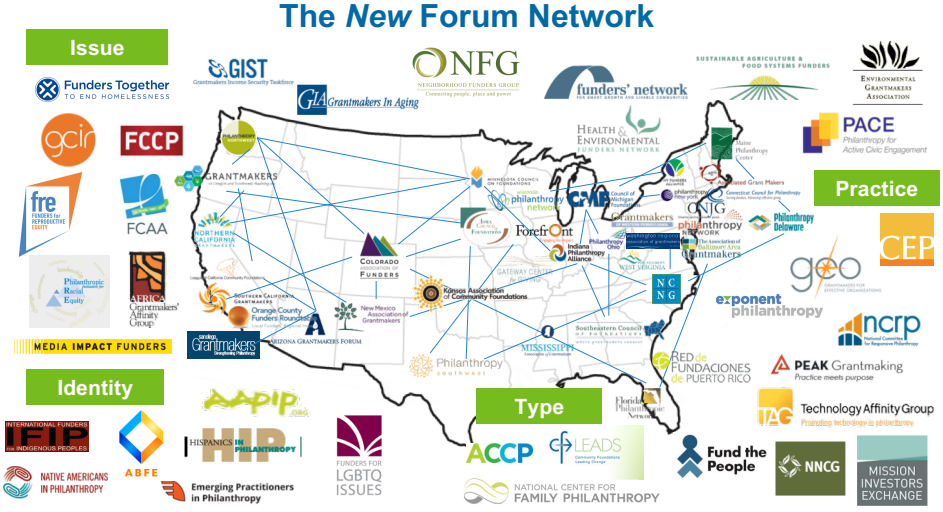
The *New* Forum Network



"If we use our voices for policy, we aren't neutral!"
"We not allowed to do that!"
Really?

- Partisan – a strong supporter of a party, cause, or person or prejudiced in favor of a particular cause
- Political - relating to the ideas or strategies of a particular party or group in politics
- **Public Policy - the principles, often unwritten, on which social laws are based or government policies that affect the whole population**

In service to the public trust, the common good, and in response to the position of privilege and special exemption given foundations, it is our duty to support the creation and preservation of good public policy.

- The term *charitable* is used in its generally accepted legal sense and includes relief of the poor, the distressed, or the underprivileged; advancement of religion; advancement of education or science; erecting or maintaining public buildings, monuments, or works; lessening the burdens of government; lessening neighborhood tensions; **eliminating prejudice and discrimination; defending human and civil rights secured by law**; and combating community deterioration and juvenile delinquency.

IRS.gov

What have PSO's and Funders been doing?
What do you need to do now?

1. Sign on to Foundation letter NOW
2. Write your own organizational letter NOW
3. Submit personal comments August 7
4. Ask 10 friends to do the same! August 7

- ***Once you have taken these actions*** … please ask your grantees, colleagues and partners to also do numbers 2,3&4 August 7

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Census 2020: A Patriotic Call to Action

"This is not the government's census, this is our census, this is data that determines what power your community has."

Bob Tracy, public policy director
Minnesota Council on Foundations

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Q & A

Please submit questions through the Q&A box.

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