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### **Citizenship Question on 2020 Census is a Bad Idea, Will Likely Have a Large Impact**

CLEVELAND, OH – A citizenship question on the 2020 Census is a bad idea, according to the Center for Community Solutions, a non-partisan, Cleveland based, non-profit.

The United States Department of Commerce announced Monday evening it will put a citizenship question on the 2020 Census. According to Emily Campbell, Associate Director for Community Solutions, wrote that the citizenship question will likely undermine data collection efforts, provide little useful data and could impact information available in every community across the country.

Campbell also highlighted the importance of accurate census data in determining how Ohio is represented federally, as well as its importance in determining where more than \$400 billion in federal funding goes.

Campbell states that the Census Bureau reported "unprecedented" levels of concern from focus group participants. "Asking about legal status would be overly intrusive, and could lead some households to provide false answers which would jeopardize the quality and usefulness of all of the data," Campbell stated.

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