

# NATIONAL STATE DATA CENTER STEERING COMMITTEE

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## State Data Center Conference Call November 9, 2021

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Bob Coats called meeting to order at 3:00pm

### **New Census Bureau Director, Rob Santos**

- Bob talked with Lakiva about a welcome letter from the Steering Committee that will introduce him to the SDC Program
- Lakiva advocating for in-person meetings whenever possible

### **PUMA Outreach**

- SDC Program is here to voice concerns about PUMAs: What are we hearing state-by-state about GIS capabilities for PUMA delineation? Some with strong GIS skills, some not. How do we support local governments? Suggestion of producing templates on how to do PUMA delineation effectively, what a good challenge process looks like, adding structure to the process. How do we communicate back to CQR group?

### **ACS Updates**

- Looking for more info on ACS 1-year and 5-year

### **DHC Updates**

- Looking for more info on date of release

### **Decennial Census**

- GQ concerns

- Assisted living and nursing homes counted or not?
  - Universities and military bases
  - Is there an outside organization to analyze GQ data nationwide?
- Homeless count questions
- Need to gather more info on evaluating quality of 2020 Census
  - COVID impact on dorm pop and 2<sup>nd</sup> homes
  - Impact of counting in August instead of May
  - Assessing use of administrative data
  - Research Report: Assessing Miscounts in the 2020 Census  
<https://www.urban.org/research/publication/assessing-miscounts-2020-census>
- Need to begin conversations about 2030 Census, how data is needed

Call adjourned at 4:45 pm