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**State Data Center Conference Call and Briefing  
 September 12, 2023**

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3:06 PM EST Mallory Bateman called meeting to order

**Fourth Quarter SDC/CIC/DUB/DDTB Meeting**

- Will be held October 26 from 2:00-3:30pm EST
- The potential speakers would be follow-ups from the summer conference. One speaker could be Josh Coutts, who would give an update on Gridded Census Data and solicit further feedback from the network. The other speaker could be Dr. Sallie Anne Keller, who would give an update on the projects she and her team are working on.
- The SDC Steering Committee asked for some advance notice on the quarterly meeting topics with the idea that the network could prepare some information about the work being done by SDCs to share with the Census Bureau.
  - This ties in with DUB’s goal to help the rest of the Census Bureau become more familiar with the SDC network by showing off some of the projects being done throughout the country.

**Potential Census Bureau Q&A about this month’s data releases**

- If questions to the SDC network about this month’s data releases are difficult to answer, the network should share those questions with DUB and ListServ. If there is a high volume of questions, the Steering Committee can set up a Q&A with the Census Bureau.

## Webinar Efforts

- The Steering Committee is planning a webinar for late October. The goal is to keep the network engaged year-round and supply useful information.
- The webinar will be a collaboration with the Census Information Center (CIC) network, which could help the SDC and CIC communities learn more about each other.
- The first half of the webinar will potentially highlight a CIC and an SDC that are doing interesting work so that we can see some examples of the type of work done by our networks. The second half will be information on increasing engagement with affiliates and local communities, since that is a topic many people have expressed interest in via the feedback surveys administered by the Steering Committee.

## SDC Listserv

- More Census staff have been requesting access to the SDC listserv in the last few weeks. The Steering Committee is glad to have subject matter experts from the Census Bureau able to see what the SDC network is talking about and respond to questions that people pose the listserv.

## 2023 Annual Conference Materials

- The Steering Committee shared the 2023 annual conference materials with the listserv a few weeks ago. This includes the Steering Committee's highlights from the meeting and the Census Bureau's website for the conference that includes agendas and presentations. The conference site will expire October 31, so if people want to access those resources, they should do so before then.
  - Census Bureau site: <https://www.census.gov/about/partners/stakeholder-annual-training-meeting.html>
  - Steering Committee Highlights: <https://sdcclearinghouse.com/category/steering-committee/><https://sdcclearinghouse.com/category/steering-committee/>
- DUB will send out a reminder to the network about the website and its deadline.

## Tree States

- DUB requested the Steering Committee's help communicating to the network via Tree States about two topics: the annual affiliate report and annual SDC meetings.
  - The annual report ask will go out in the spring, but SDCs should be collecting that data to be prepared to participate in the meantime.
  - DUB also wants help communicating to SDCs that the traditional SDC meeting format can be customized to meet their state's needs. Some examples include doing a series instead of a single meeting or doing a regional meeting where several states participate.

Meeting adjourned at 3:30 PM EST