Dear Deep River residents,

Please help us ensure that each and every one of you is counted in the 2021 census! There is still time to complete your questionnaire.

Data from the census is critical to our town because it is used as vital information for planning schools, hospitals, daycares, family and social services, public transportation, and skills training for employment.

In addition, information from the Census helps to inform public policy related to provincial and federal funding programs related to municipal infrastructure funding.

My sincere thanks to all of you who have already completed the census. To those of you who still need to, please take a few minutes now to complete your census document through the efficient, secure, and user-friendly online application.

Residents without access to the Internet or those who have lost their form can call the Census Help Line to complete their census questionnaire over the phone or to request a paper questionnaire. (**Census Help Line** at **1-855-340-2021**. For TTY (a telecommunications device for deaf persons), 1-833-830-3109.)

If no response is received, Statistics Canada employees (enumerators) will attempt to contact Canadians by telephone. They will only conduct follow-up visits after all other methods of contacting individuals who have not responded have failed.

Enumerators who visit dwellings will follow a no-contact protocol. No interviews will be conducted inside the respondent's dwelling and no census employee from Statistics Canada is permitted to visit or enter institutional collective dwellings, especially the dwellings housing residents who are most vulnerable to COVID-19, such as seniors' residences. In accordance with guidelines from public health authorities, interviews will be outdoors and physically distanced and census employees will be required to wear masks, and frequently disinfect their hands with sanitizer.

Thank you for your attention to this very important matter.

Sincerely Sue D'Eon Mayor, Town of Deep River