Making Sure YOU Count
A complete and accurate count of Fairmont residents in the 2020 Census is essential for our community.

There are many ways the Census is important for the future of Fairmont & Martin County, including:

**FUNDING FOR PROGRAMS**
Being counted will assure that your community receives **$2,796 per person/per year** in federal funding in addition to funds for education and roads.

**REPRESENTATION IN CONGRESS**
Legislative districts are drawn based on the Census. The larger our population, the more representation we have.

**UNDERSTANDING OUR COMMUNITY**
An accurate Census count is essential in planning for the future across all sectors – meaning better healthcare, education, transportation, and jobs.

An easy-to-use Census form will be mailed to your household starting in March. Your information is secure and cannot be used against you.

For more information: 2020CENSUS.GOV
Para obtener más información, visite: 2020CENSUS.GOV/es
Or contact Peter Bode at City Hall: pbode@fairmont.org | 507.238.3940
Fairmont Public Utilities Needs Your Help!

All residents of the City of Fairmont who have a sump pump **MUST** discharge it outside during the period of **April 1st through November 15th**. During that time, it is a violation of City Code Section 25-841 to discharge a sump pump into the sanitary sewer and will be enforced as such.

However, for the period of **November 16th through March 31st**, the City of Fairmont encourages that homeowners **DO** discharge their sump pump to the sanitary sewer to avoid issues with street icing and resulting safety issues.

We will send another reminder in November to encourage homeowners to redirect their sump pump to the sanitary sewer.

Remember, leaving your sump pump connected to the sanitary sewer during potential rainfall months can lead to:

- Added wastewater treatment costs.
- High flows in the collection system leading to sewage backups in basements.
- Overloading of the Wastewater Treatment Facility, leading to Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MCPA) permit violations, and forcing the City to expand the treatment plant to handle high flows.

If you have any questions regarding your sump pump discharge, please contact Doug Rainforth, Water/Wastewater Superintendent, at 507-235-6502.