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## Census 2000 Day is April 1

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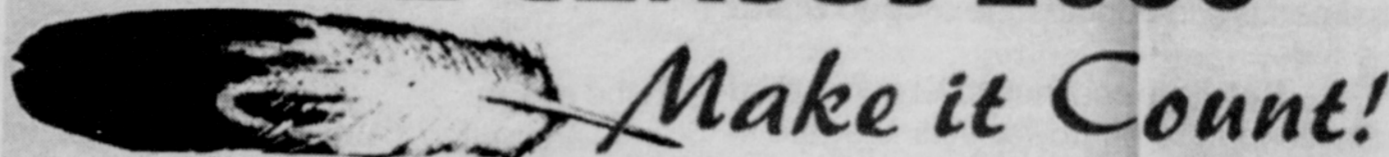
Maybe you've seen it already. Maybe your friendly Census Bureau representative has even visited you! In either case, April 1 marks the official start of the Census 2000 campaign. We've been featuring articles on this important event for months now, but the time to be counted is actually here!

Remember, all information provided on the census form is confidential and cannot be released to any agency or department (including the BIA, SIHA, HIP, welfare, or Social Security). It is important that you fill out the questionnaire and return it. The information you provide will help determine future funding for important projects such as schools, and help delineate congressional districts. This is big stuff and they need our help!

Here are some important tips to keep in mind when completing your census form. The tribal member should be head of household. This will ensure that your household is listed as an Indian household. When asked to list the name of your tribe, please list "Confederated Tribes of Siletz" or "Siletz Tribe." Also, please be sure to include **everyone** in your household, even if they are living with you temporarily. Everyone needs to be counted!

If you have any questions, please contact me at 1-800-922-1399, ext. 258, or 541-444-8258.

## NATIVE CENSUS 2000



### Tribe Contributes to County Coffers

The Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians has contributed nearly \$1 million to Lincoln County in the past 20 years.

Tribal Chairman Delores Pigsley added \$60,058 to the total when she gave a check to Lincoln County Commissioner Karen Gerttula at a Tribal Council meeting in February (photo above). This brought the tribe's total contributions since 1980 to \$973,785. The money goes into the county's general fund.

This year's donation represents 5 percent of net timber receipts for 1999.

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