

# RE: Revenue Lost by Census Undercount

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Krystal/Nicole:

Good afternoon. My name is Jason Alexander – I am the Assistant to the City Manager and wanted to follow up on his behalf to your email below. A recent estimate concluded that without an accurate census count, Austin could stand to lose approx. **\$5,700** per person in federal dollars – monies that could otherwise be spent toward important community programming. I believe this is the figure that Spencer also cited at the recent Citizen Journalist Conference. Should you have any additional questions, please let me know. I'm also happy to help get you in contact with our City's Demographer should you need additional information.

Best,

**Jason Alexander**

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**From:** "Gomez, Krystal - BC" <[BC-Krystal.Gomez@austintexas.gov](mailto:BC-Krystal.Gomez@austintexas.gov)>

**Date:** June 1, 2018 at 10:48:02 AM CDT

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**Subject:** Revenue Lost by Census Undercount

Hi Mr. Cronk,

Thank you for meeting with me and my colleagues on May 23rd regarding our city's hiring practices and the development of Latina leadership.

You may remember me mentioning after the meeting that the Commission on Immigrant

Affairs is working on a resolution encouraging the City of Austin to join the litigation surrounding the proposed addition of a citizenship question to the next U.S. Census.

I remember you citing figures about the amount of money the city would stand to use per resident who does not complete the census and is not counted when you spoke at the Citizen Journalist Conference. I think that information would be really helpful in our resolution.

Can you share that number with us? I'm copying Nicole Merritt on this e-mail as she's working on the draft resolution for our commission.

Thanks in advance!

Krystal

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