



## **It's in Our Hands: Your Participation in the 2010 Census Matters!**

Believe it or not, the next U.S Census is less than 5 months away! The census will occur in April 2010 and we don't have a moment of planning to lose. With your help, the City of Dickinson will launch an area-wide census awareness campaign so that we can obtain an accurate count. In the aftermath of Hurricane Ike, a complete and correct count is extremely important to insure federal funding is allocated for our City.

The City needs your help! As a supporting partner of the 2010 Census, the City of Dickinson is establishing a **Complete Count Committee**. The role of the **Complete Count Committee** will be to plan and implement local outreach efforts to publicize the importance of the 2010 Census. The primary goal of the Committee will be to increase the mail-back response rate. This not only reduces the overall cost of the census, but it also increases the accuracy of the data, as well.

If you are interested in serving on the **Complete Count Committee** and/or can recommend someone who may have the time and interest to participate in the project, please contact me. This is a voluntary outreach, informational committee, you will not be asked to "knock on doors".

An orientation meeting will be held soon after I hear back from you. Please contact me via email [mayor@ci.dickinson.tx.us](mailto:mayor@ci.dickinson.tx.us) or phone, 281 337 6202, if you or someone you know would be interested in serving on the **Complete Count Committee**.

Census data has a tremendous effect on the city's ability to obtain federal funding. An accurate assessment will also assist the city in promoting and planning for economic growth. Thank you so much for your consideration and your service to the Dickinson community.

Respectfully,

Julie Masters  
Mayor