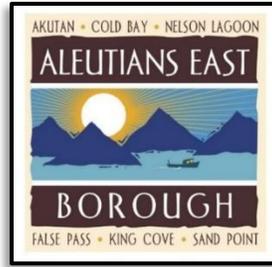
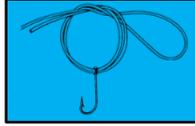


# In the Loop



## **State of Alaska Sponsors Online EMT I Course to Increase Number of EMTs Available during Pandemic and Beyond**

The State of Alaska's Office of EMS is sponsoring the EMERGE #2 online EMT I course, an initiative designed to increase the number of EMTs available throughout the state. Recognizing the potential impact the COVID-19 pandemic may have on ambulance services throughout Alaska, the state is taking prudent steps to increase EMS response capacity.

The target audience is responders/volunteers already associated with an EMS service who are not yet certified at the EMT I level. Students **MUST** be associated with a service that has an EMT I, or higher on staff who is willing to serve as a mentor during the course's skill performance phase. After passing the online didactic course work and successfully passing the final exam, students will be given an EMT-I Student Provisional Certification. This will allow students to work with their EMT-I, or higher mentor, both in the station and on actual ambulance calls to complete a skills portfolio. After students successfully complete the skills portfolio, they will be provided a full EMT-I Provisional Certification and can operate at the EMT-I level for service in local communities. Following completion of the full course, the Provisional EMT-I will be eligible to take the state EMT-I exam. The skills portfolio will take the place of the traditional final skills evaluation.

Most EMT I courses can cost up to \$1200 per student. The cost per student enrolled in the EMERGE program is \$150. The per-student cost covers the instructor, books and administration expenses. This program will not only save each community's EMS service up to 80% in costs, it will increase the number of EMTs available for your community's emergency needs.

The Alaska State Office of EMS  
&  
Southern Region EMS Council

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## EMERGE 2

ONLINE EMT I COURSE

### COURSE DESCRIPTION

The EMERGE 2, Online EMT I Course is a fast pace didactic course consisting of 10 on-line class sessions, and multiple online group meetings. Upon successful completion of the online modules and passing the final course exam, participants will:

- Be issued a "Student Provisional EMT I Certification".
- The Student Provisional Certification will allow the advancing student to work directly their skill mentors on actual scenes and in the training room to complete a skills portfolio.
- Upon successful completion of the portfolio, the advancing student will be issued an "EMT I Provisional Certification" and be eligible to take the State EMT I exam.

**Students must be associated with an EMS system to be eligible for this course!**

**CLASS DATES: AUGUST 10 - SEPTEMBER 11, 2020**

**LAST DAY TO REGISTER: AUGUST 6, 2020**

### Sign up Instructions

Register at

<https://sremscta.enrollware.com/enroll?id=3956060>

Course Cost \$150.00

Contact Southern Region EMS for registration assistance, or if an agency needs to make a group enrollment payment.

(907) 562-6449

**To register, go to to the following link:**

**<https://sremscta.enrollware.com/enroll?id=3956060>**

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## Why Should Alaskans Complete the Census?

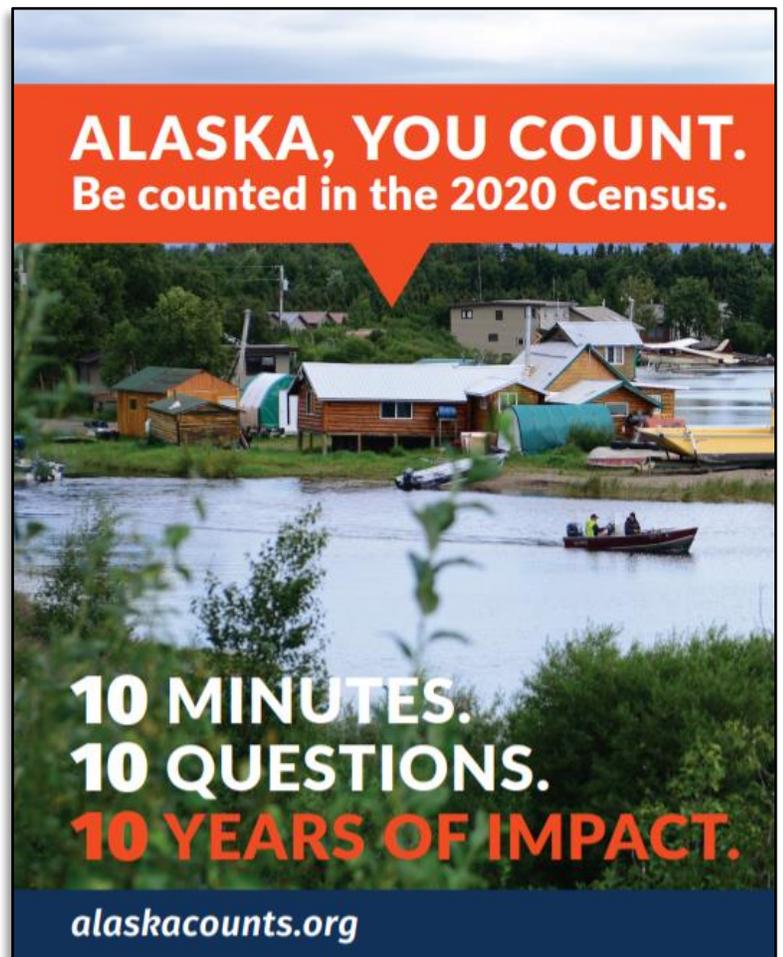
Responding to the census helps communities get the funding they need for local public services and helps businesses to make informed decisions that grow the economy. The census determines the resources that go to Alaska to help build roads, infrastructure, support health care services and deliver public services to children, veterans, seniors and families.

The United States Census Bureau calculates a participation rate for each area, or the percentage of questionnaires mailed back by households that received them. In 2010, Alaska had the lowest participation rate in the nation at 64 percent. That means more than one-third of Alaskans did not respond during the Census Bureau's first invitation to participate. A similar undercount of our state in 2020 means Alaska will not receive its full share of federal funding for the next ten years. With increasing state and local budget constraints, we cannot afford an undercount in 2020.

Your individual responses to the 2020 Census are confidential and can only be used to produce statistics. This includes responses on Census questionnaires, names, address and residential locations.

By law, the U.S. Census cannot share an individual's information with immigration enforcement agencies, law enforcement agencies or allow it to be used to determine your eligibility for government benefits. This means that a landlord, employer or business will never have access to your responses to the census.

It's important to remember that the information you provide can impact your community for the next decade. You can complete your questionnaire online, by phone or by mail. Click [here](#) for more information.



# Alaska Counts

## 2020 Census

### What is the census?

The U.S. Census Bureau conducts a census to determine the number of people living in the United States every 10 years

If you'd like to complete the census online, you can do so with this link:  
<https://my2020census.gov>

There are roughly **3.2 billion** reasons why the census matters to Alaska: that is the number of **federal dollars** that come to Alaska **each year** based on **census data**. We only get one chance every **ten years** to get this right.

### The census data affects:

Nonprofits, Local Public Safety, Schools, Childcare, Roads, Highway Construction, Healthcare, Social Services, Economic Development and Jobs

The census asks you to share less information than the PFD application. Your answers cannot be used against you when it comes to determining your eligibility for state or federal benefits.

Responding to the census is **confidential**. It takes **10 minutes** to answer **10 questions** and results in **10 years** of worth of **funding** for local public services in **our community**.

For more information, you can visit: <https://www.alaska.counts.org>

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