

# Conclusions

- Goal – **Input to Census Bureau on use cases** of the Demographic and Housing Characteristic File and the impact of disclosure avoidance.
- Short Term Objectives
  - Fitness of Use
  - Equity – winners and losers due to the “tuning” of DAS
    - Geography
    - Characteristic
    - Use case
    - Legal requirements
    - Accuracy needs
    - Only source for Block Data
    - What are the Costs of Noisy Data and to who
  - Actionable input for improving DAS for DHC
    - Received use cases but not exhaustive

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- Intermediate Term Objectives (before release)
  - Identify & Address Needs of Users of DHC:
    - **User Centric** Communication
      - Fitness for Use
      - What will DAS be **“tuned”** to?
    - **User Centric** Strategies & Resources
      - What will be best practices for using 2020 DHC data effectively?
      - What strategies/methods can be used to assess margins of error?
      - Who will provide these tools?
      - **Least resourced – largest negative effect**
- Long Term Objectives – beyond scope but critical
  - Concerns about Census loss of credibility
    - Mix of 2020 challenges, Disclosure Avoidance
  - Planning for 2030 – A better plan
    - 2020 not a precedent

# Conclusion – Big Picture

- Census Data is a **National Resource** publicly available
  - Paid for by everyone
- **Accurate and trustworthy** data and information for **decision making** is more important than ever to our **democracy**
  - Funding, Resources, Planning, Emergency Management, etc.

# Reflections and Ideas Moving Forward

- Actionable
- Best Practices
- Partnerships
- Resources
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