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**Special Census
Campton Hills Experienced 28% Growth Rate Since 2000 Census**

Campton Hills - On September 4th, notice was sent to the Village of Campton Hills from the U.S. Department of Commerce confirming the Special Census count of an additional 2,979 new residents, bringing the total population of Campton Hills from 10,504 (2000 Census) to 13,483. This represents an additional 886 new homes to the area since 2000.

According to Patsy Smith, Campton Hills Village President, as a result of the Special Census over \$400,000 in additional revenue per year will be received by the Village. President Smith said, "In less than four months, the new revenue will pay for the \$124,000 that the Village paid for the census. This was a very wise investment by the Village Board."

These additional revenues may be received as early as this month and will add to the General Fund to be used to further support the Police Department as well as other Village needs. Additional Motor Fuel Tax funds will also be received to help with the maintenance of roads.

Patsy Smith further commented that, "If Campton Hills had not become incorporated and conducted a Special Census, these additional residents would not have been counted until the 2010 Census and the monies generated from the Special Census would not have been seen in our area until late 2010 or early 2011. In addition, these monies would have been spread throughout the state rather than 100% being brought back directly to serve the community that was affected by the growth of development."

"Two of the reasons residents voted to incorporate were to return taxes we already paid to the local area and to make development pay more of its fair share of the developments' impact to our community. The addition of 886 homes over the last eight years produces an impact to the local taxpayer and it is important that the Village Board stay on top of growth and its impact. Earlier this year, the Village Board passed a groundbreaking Land/Cash Ordinance that will give more money to our schools resulting from future development and force developers to pay more of their fair share, lessening the pressure on residents to subsidize new development. This real estate market will turn around some day and because our area is such a great place to live, we could easily see another 28% in growth by the 2020 Census."

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