

United States Senate

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David Steiner
Postmaster General
United States Postal Service
475 L'Enfant Plaza SW
Washington, DC 20260

Dear Postmaster General Steiner:

I write with concern regarding the future of the West Park Post Office, located at 1740 US-9W, West Park, NY 12493. On July 24, 2026, the United States Postal Service (USPS) issued a temporary closure of the West Park Post Office, citing a loss of lease. Since then, USPS has provided no timeline or concrete plans to restore postal operations in West Park and to ensure that the community's post office remains in West Park. I urge you to act swiftly and diligently to reinstate the post office in West Park, and to work transparently and collaboratively with community stakeholders in that process.

While I appreciate that the Postal Service has provided alternative mail services for West Park residents at the neighboring Highland Post Office, this location is more than five miles away for many residents, postal workers, and small business owners. West Park is a rural community and any disruptions to mail operations pose serious challenges for many of the residents and small businesses who depend on the Postal Service in their daily lives and who will now have to drive to another town to pick up their medications, checks and bills, packages, and other important mail.

Furthermore, in West Park, the post office is not just a place where residents pick up their mail and drop off their packages. The West Park Post Office is the heart and center of the town – it is the place where residents build close-knit connections with their neighbors and postal workers, and where they see West Park's identity represented in a community space. The closure of West Park Post Office is a real detriment to the community and any further delays in reinstating the West Park Post Office are unacceptable.

Therefore, I urge the Postal Service to immediately act to reinstate the West Park Post Office. Again, I also urge the Postal Service to transparently engage with West Park residents and establish a clear plan to restore the West Park Post Office as quickly as possible. Thank you for your attention to this important matter. I look forward to your response.

Sincerely,



Charles E. Schumer
United States Senator