



**Did you know?**

# Your Post Office Receives **ZERO** Tax Dollars

**FACT:** The United States Postal Service (USPS) receives no tax dollars for operating expenses and relies on the sale of postage, products and services to fund its operations.

**FACT:** The Post Office is established in the U.S. Constitution. The public Postal Service is part of the fundamental infrastructure of this nation – binding it together.

**FACT:** The United States Postal Service delivers to every address in the country – 157.3 million addresses – no matter who we are or where we live. In contrast, private delivery companies go where they can make a profit.

**FACT:** The Postal Service is consistently the most trusted U.S. government entity. It rates highest among young adults.

**FACT:** While letter mail volumes have been declining, a lot of mail remains. The Postal Service processes and delivers 493.4 million letters and packages each day.

**FACT:** Package volume is increasing. In these days of rising e-commerce and on-line shopping, the public Postal Service is as needed and relevant as ever.

**FACT:** The U.S. Mail is the most secure and private form of communication.

**FACT:** Financial hardships for the USPS were manufactured by the 2006 “Postal Accountability and Enhancement Act.” This Congressional action forced the Postal Service to “pre-fund” future retiree health care costs 75 years into the future. No other agency or company faces this financial drain. The unfair burden is directly responsible for the reduction in the hours of operation, staffing, mail speed, and the quality of postal services.

**FACT:** Congress should fix the problem they created by passing postal reform legislation that ensures the public Postal Service remains vibrant for generations to come.

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