

## **1. Action Center/Messages to Hill**

Action needed: Contact your Representatives and Senators now and urge them to provide financial support to the Postal Service and letter carriers in the next emergency stimulus package.

## **2. Calls to DC switchboard**

You can reach your Representative and Senators' offices by calling the Capitol Switchboard at **202-224-3121**. Listen to the options over the phone and be prepared to provide your ZIP code to connect to each of the three offices, one at a time. Once you are connected, you are welcome to use the below sample script when you either speak with a member of their staff or leave a voicemail in the event that no staffer answers the phone (likely due to office restrictions in place as a result of the Covid-19 virus).

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Once the public health crisis passes, the Postal Service will be more necessary than ever to promote economic recovery -- especially for small businesses and citizens in Rural America.

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Please support an immediate and significant injection of money -- and secure, regular appropriations for the Postal Service until this crisis is over. Thank you."

Hang up and you're all done! Thank you for reaching out and be sure to connect with all three of your Representative and Senators.

### 3. Calls to District Offices

You can reach your Representative district office by entering on the web

<https://www.house.gov/representatives/find-your-representative> to find your Representative via your zip code. You may need provide your actual home address to narrow down who your Representative is, if it lists more than one option. Once you have found your Representative, navigate his/her site to find "Contact." That link will pull up the district office in your home state. Skip below to find a sample script when you either speak with a member of your Senator's staff or leave a voicemail in the event that no staffer answers the phone (likely due to office restrictions in place as a result of the Covid-19 virus).

You can reach your Senators' state offices by entering on the web

<https://www.senate.gov/senators/contact> which takes you to the alphabetical list of all 100 Senators. You can filter the list by state or by name to find your two Senators. Select which you would like to contact first, click his/her name, and navigate the Senator's webpage to find "Contact." That should pull up a list of different offices from your home state that you can call.

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#### **4. Calls to Mayors & Governors**

\*Needs instructions or link to phone numbers for mayors and governors offices\*

Once you are connected, you are welcome to use the below sample script when you either speak with a member of your Mayor/Governor’s staff or leave a voicemail in the event that no staffer answers the phone (likely due to office restrictions in place as a result of the Covid-19 virus).

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**5. Draft letter to District/State Director requesting funding (not a meeting)**

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Please tell your boss we need an immediate and significant injection of money -- and secure, regular appropriations for the Postal Service until this crisis is over. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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## 6. Draft letter to Reps/Sens

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