



Legislative Chairs ZOOM Meeting

Monday, April 6

Tuesday April 7

USPS Finances Resulting from COVID-19

- Financial
 - Projected loss of up to \$12.6 billion due to COVID-19 in FY 2020
 - Potential loss of revenue of \$8-10 billion
- Operations
 - USPS continues to accept, process and delivery America's mail and parcels
 - 159 million delivery points continue to be served daily
 - Last year over 1 billion prescription medications delivered by USPS
- Threat
 - COVID-19 losses threaten sustainability of USPS
 - USPS can run out of cash by September 30 this year
 - Lifeline to businesses, senior citizens and rural America could be cut

Economic Impact

- USPS is the foundation of a \$1.4 trillion mailing industry
- Mailing industry employs more than 7.5 million workers
- Individual state and congressional district economic impact statements are posted on NAPS website posted at LTS page, listed under “2020 Related Documents.”

COVID-19 Phase-3 USPS Assistance

H.R. 6379 (Proposed)

- \$25 billion in emergency USPS appropriations
- \$15 billion in additional borrowing authority
- Relief from existing debt
- Prioritization of medical mail
- Flexible delivery points
- \$400 million state election assistance
- Emergency mail ballots

H.R. 748 (Enacted)

- \$10 billion in additional borrowing authority, limits and conditions established by Treasury Secretary Mnuchin
- Prioritization of medical mail
- Flexible delivery points
- \$400 million state election assistance

COVID -19 Phase 4 USPS Assistance

- Emergency Appropriations to sustain the USPS
 - H.R. 6425 (introduced by Joe Neguse of CO) would appropriate \$25 billion
- Hazard Pay for frontline USPS employees
- Additional USPS borrowing authority, without Treasury interference
- Relief from existing debt
- Emergency mail ballot program

Needed: SLC Action on Emergency USPS Funding

Last week, Executive VP Ivan Butts sent letters to every Representative's office to urge support for emergency USPS appropriation

- Generate personalized emails and calls to congressional offices in support of emergency appropriations to USPS as part of COVID-19 Phase 4 legislation and H.R. 6425
- Call state congressional offices to register support for USPS emergency assistance, including H.R. 6425
- Congressional contact information available on NAPS Website, on the LTS page under "Congress Mobile Apps Link"

State Vote By Mail Initiative

- Traditionally, election administration is a state function
- Federal focus to provide state with financial and technical assistance
- Vote by mail and liberalization of absentee balloting has become extremely partisan
 - President has argued that vote-by-mail helps Democrats
 - President suggested that vote-by-mail is characterized by voter-fraud
- Vote by Mail Tested, Secure and Effective
 - Five states conduct elections by mail (Colorado, Hawaii, Oregon, Utah, Washington)
 - One-quarter of 2018 ballots cast by mail
 - USPS trusted and secure
 - Vote-by-mail boosts voter participation
 - Vote-by-mail saves money

NEEDED: SLC Action on Vote-by-Mail

Last week, Executive VP Ivan Butts sent letter to all 50 Secretaries of State urging they implement Vote-by-Mail for November

- Generate personalized letters from NAPS members to your Governor urging implementation of Vote-by-Mail
- Link to addresses at National Governors Association website, <https://www.nga.org/governors/addresses/>