

Canada Post Strategic Review
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— by fax —

Dear Sir/Mme:

We would like to add our voices to those discussing the future of public postal service in Canada.

Our home is located in a very rural area and the public post office has always been a lifeline when the post mistress (postmaster) has been able to certify signatures and known how to be discreet (as a public servant).

The postal service is exactly that: a service. It is not supposed to be a money-making institution, any more than the politicians sent to Parliament are meant to.

A local post office functions as a community centre, a point which marks the community as a community, as well as putting a face to government services.

Loss of any services to rural areas on the basis of "declining population" becomes a self-fulfilling prophecy. We need this nucleus and deserve it.

Thank you for your attention.

Sincerely,
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