



DEMOCRATIC SOCIALISTS  
FOR  
**USPS WORKERS**

# #DSA4USPS Care Package Guide

The Post Office is a socialist treasure, providing universal services and union jobs that reach every address in America. In a show of solidarity and appreciation, we have created this [Care Package Tool Kit](#) for anyone, anywhere, who wants to show their support for their local Carrier or Post Offices' staff.

This first page contains the directions and suggested items for the creation of the [Care Package](#). The second page is a letter, for you to print out and attach to your [Care Package](#). It can be folded up in an envelope with a gift card. It could be taped to the top of a box of donuts. You could (safely!) gather signatures from your local area on the back and present it as a thank you card from all.

The letter is important to the [Care Package](#), because it communicates not just the support from the person who gives it, but the entire DSA. It also serves as a conversation starter, in case the [Care Package](#) recipient has questions about the DSA and what we do.

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## Care Package Items

Look for Union, Local, or Minority-Owned Products (if possible!) and ask about allergies

### For your Letter Carrier

Sunscreen  
Candy  
Masks  
Hand sanitizer  
Water  
Snack bars  
Postal-themed mugs or  
other decorative objects  
Gift cards  
Homemade baked items  
Dried fruit, like raisins or cranberries  
Gift-sized coffee or tea bags

### For your Post Office Staff

(Protip: The carriers are not in the office all day, so ask a Postal employee when the carriers usually get into the office, or when they return, so they can partake!)

#### Boxes of snacks:

Donuts  
Cookies  
Bagels and cream cheese  
Homemade baked items  
Pizza  
Brownies

#### Tubs of snacks:

Pretzels  
Trail Mix  
Halloween Candy

#### Bulk Masks!

**Bulk Hand Sanitizer!**

## Dear USPS Employee(s),

The coronavirus pandemic has made it clear that the USPS is a crucial public service. Postal workers deliver groceries and prescriptions, especially to people who are homebound. Now with schools closed, they could deliver learning materials to students and teachers. And they will deliver many of our votes so that our voices are heard by Election Day. Alongside other essential workers, USPS supports our health, our education system, and our democracy!



As the old saying goes, “Neither snow nor rain nor heat nor gloom of night stays these couriers from the swift completion of their appointed rounds.” The USPS was founded “to bind the Nation together,” serving every community. That’s why 91% of Americans support the USPS. The federal government is spending trillions of dollars to fight the recession, including billions in misguided tax cuts to the 1%. Congress should do everything possible to preserve, and even expand, the USPS.

The USPS employs over 600,000 people. More than one-third of postal workers are women, a quarter are Black, and 18 percent are veterans. Most postal workers are union members. As a result, the average salary of a USPS worker is \$55,000. The USPS helps working families thrive, providing a path to well-paid jobs for communities often denied them.

The Democratic Socialists of America have made hundreds of calls to Congress alongside the American Postal Workers Union. We’ve created USPS-themed postcards so that ordinary people can write to members of Congress and demand action. We’ve hosted webinars so that everyone can learn just how crucial the USPS is to our democracy, from fighting voter suppression and anti-Black racism to providing a refuge for working families in an unforgiving job market. We’ve hosted rallies and protests at post offices and USPS Board of Governors to bring the heat. And we’re just getting started!

Now more than ever, we need a democracy that protects public institutions and working families. We have unaffordable healthcare, housing insecurity, climate change, and billionaires getting rich while the rest of us struggle to make ends meet. DSA believes that a better world is possible. We can build it, if we join together. Join DSA today!

**In solidarity,**

Find out more about our work at [dsausa.org](https://dsausa.org) or [labor.dsausa.org/dsaforusps/](https://labor.dsausa.org/dsaforusps/)



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