

Post Office Update

For Immediate Release

Montpelier Commission for Recovery and Resilience

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The Montpelier Commission for Recovery and Resilience has been informed by the United States Postal Service ('USPS') that it has signed a lease for space to house a post office in downtown Montpelier. The Commission welcomes the news that a post office will return downtown marking a key step in the city's ongoing recovery from the flooding of July 2023. The USPS has agreed to site retail and P.O. Box services in the City Center building, 89 Main Street. While an opening date is not yet established, USPS's goal is to open the facility before the summer months. It has been a priority of the Commission to ensure the restoration of the community's local post office in a downtown location. The Commission worked for months to secure its return including by organizing a public rally, coordinating efforts with the congressional delegation, and steady communication with the USPS calling on it to meet its responsibilities under federal regulations.

Montpelier has been without a post office for 262 days impacting citizens, businesses, our valued letter carriers and neighboring communities. The USPS decision likely would not have come without the combined efforts of U.S. Senators Welch and Sanders and Representative Balint, the Vermont League of Cities and Towns, the City's state legislators and municipal leaders, and the many, many Montpelier residents who contacted the USPS directly. All are to be thanked and applauded for standing up for Montpelier.