

# U.S. Rep. Kind: Joins bipartisan push to halt post office consolidations, prevent mail delays

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**La Crosse, WI** — Last week, **Rep. Ron Kind** joined a bipartisan push to halt planned postal facility consolidations that could significantly delay mail delivery for communities across the country. In a letter to Postmaster General Louis DeJoy, Rep. Kind and 39 lawmakers called for any additional postal facility consolidations to be paused pending further review.

Earlier this year, the United States Postal Service (USPS) announced that 18 postal facilities would be consolidated this fall, including plants in Wisconsin. These 18 facilities were among 82 that were originally targeted for consolidation in 2015 before being paused indefinitely. The USPS Inspector General later found that many of the consolidations failed to save money and would delay mail delivery.

“I’m deeply concerned that these consolidations are just going to lead to further mail delays and hardships for communities across Wisconsin, especially in our rural areas,” said **Rep. Ron Kind**. “That’s why I joined my colleagues on both sides of the aisle in urging Postmaster General DeJoy to hit pause on these plans. Wisconsinites are counting on the USPS, and this vital service must remain reliable and efficient for all.”

Rep. Kind has repeatedly called on Postmaster General DeJoy to take action to address the lagging delivery times facing USPS customers, and [expressed](#)

[concerns](#) over Postmaster General DeJoy's *Delivering for America* 10-year plan. Additionally, in March 2021, Rep. Kind [pressed](#) Postmaster General DeJoy to implement operation changes to ensure on-time delivery and in August 2020, Rep. Kind [urged](#) Postmaster General DeJoy to ensure that mail delivery would not be impacted by the changes made to the USPS's operations and organizational structure.

**Read the bipartisan letter [here](#).**