

Secretary of State: Delivers New Website in First phase of Modernization Project

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Madison, Wi. – The Office of the Secretary of State relaunched the agency’s website (sos.wi.gov) for the first time in over 10 years today.

Secretary Godlewski has made a key priority modernizing the State office for Wisconsin. After taking office earlier this year, the Secretary began a major modernization effort that has already achieved success.

In addition to relaunching the website, the Office resolved a backlog of international authentications needed to expand businesses overseas and support personal requests like study abroad and improved processing times for customers.

“Wisconsinites want their government to work for them. I understand how important it is to make sure our services are accessible, and we are an effective steward of Wisconsinites’ time and resources. I’m proud of the accomplishments we’ve achieved in such a short amount of time, and our new website is yet another important step in delivering more effective and efficient State services” Godlewski said.

The new Secretary of State office website has upgrades such as foreign language translation and usability features for people with disabilities. Additionally, the website has an educational component that provides information on the roles and responsibilities of the State offices and uses videos to explain the office’s services.

“Since becoming Wisconsin’s Secretary of State, I’ve heard a lot of misinformation about this Constitutional Office,” Godlewski said. “The website will serve as a tool to

educate the public on the mission and vision of the State office, and our role to make sure Wisconsin is the best state to live, work, and raise a family.”

Screenshot of old SOS websiteScreenshot of new SOS website

Screenshots of the old and new Wisconsin Secretary of State website.

Despite the barriers that have been created after years of attacks on this office, the Secretary of State is committed to best serving the people of Wisconsin. In the coming months, the modernization effort will continue improving accessibility and service delivery through projects such as a new customer transaction management system, e-services, digitization of thousands of state records, and a records portal.

“The modernization effort is an important step to make sure we best serve Wisconsin in the 21st century. While this work might not make the news every day, it’s important work that is delivering for the people of this state. I look forward to continuing to roll-up my sleeves and get things done.”

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