

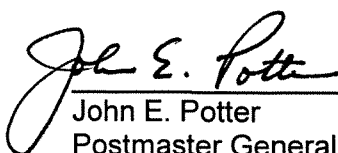
Joint Statement of Support on the 25th Anniversary of Carrier Alert

In July 1982 the United States Postal Service and the National Association of Letter Carriers (NALC) launched Carrier Alert, a joint effort to partner with local social service agencies across the country to offer a measure of security for one of the most vulnerable segments of our society—homebound citizens.

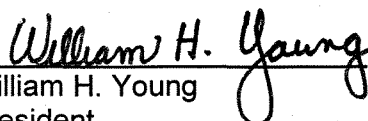
During its 25-year history Carrier Alert has leveraged Letter Carriers' unique daily presence in America's communities to keep a watchful eye on elderly, infirm and disabled citizens. The value of the program has been repeatedly demonstrated as alert Letter Carriers have helped thousands of these citizens receive assistance. In many cases this action has literally saved lives.

The all-volunteer Carrier Alert program is a natural extension of the role Letter Carriers and the Postal Service play in America's neighborhoods. Together, the Postal Service and its Letter Carriers are committed to serving the people and communities in ways that go beyond simply delivering the mail. We show how deeply we care for the communities we serve.

As we celebrate the 25th anniversary of Carrier Alert, we encourage all NALC branch leaders and local Postmasters to recommit themselves to working with local social service agencies to support the program and to extend its reach to those who most need the peace of mind it offers.



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