



# A bank for everyone

## Support Postal Banking

### Dear member of Parliament

**RE: Requesting your support for Motion M-166 on striking a committee to study the creation of a postal bank**

I am writing to request your support for a motion (M-166) that has been tabled in the House of Commons that aims at studying and establishing a postal bank in Canada.

More than 900 municipalities have demonstrated their support for the creation of a postal bank or service expansion by either adopting a resolution or writing to the federal government.

Thousands of rural municipalities, as well as Indigenous communities, do not have a bank, but many of them do have a post office that could provide financial services.

As well, nearly two million Canadians desperately need an alternative to payday lenders. A postal bank could be that alternative.

Postal banks already exist in many parts of the world where they are used to increase financial inclusion, promote economic development and generate revenue to preserve public postal service and jobs. Canada had a successful postal bank until 1968. It's time to bring it back!

Almost two out of every three respondents (63%) to a 2013 Stratcom poll supported Canada Post expanding revenue-generating services, including financial services like bill payments, insurance and banking. Canada needs a postal bank as an alternative to big banks.

Motion M-166 proposes the establishment of a committee aimed at studying various postal banking models used around the world, and at proposing a model for Canada.

For more information on postal banking, visit our website, at [postalbanking.ca](http://postalbanking.ca).

Yours truly,

(name) \_\_\_\_\_

(address) \_\_\_\_\_

(city/town) \_\_\_\_\_

(postal code) \_\_\_\_\_

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I give CUPW permission to contact me on this issue and related matters.

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