



U.S. Citizenship  
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# Public Notice

## **USCIS CLOSES KATRINA POST OFFICE BOX AT TEXAS SERVICE CENTER**

Washington, D.C. – USCIS announced today that it is closing the Katrina Post Office Box at the Texas Service Center. Established in the wake of Hurricane Katrina, the PO Box allowed foreign students affected by the Hurricane to immediately file for short-term employment authorization. The availability of that short-term employment authorization has now expired. The Texas Service Center last received an application for employment authorization (I-765) through the PO Box in January 2006.

Foreign students requesting employment authorization should follow the instructions for filing I-765 applications on the USCIS website (<http://www.uscis.gov/graphics/formsfee/forms/i-765.htm>).

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On March 1, 2003, U.S Citizenship and Immigration Services became one of three legacy INS components to join the U.S. Department of Homeland Security. USCIS is charged with fundamentally transforming and improving the delivery of immigration and citizenship services, while enhancing our nation's security.