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Ambassador Braithwaite Meets U.S. Citizens at Embassy Town Hall

On April 24, 2018, Ambassador Braithwaite met with U.S. citizens at the U.S. Embassy Town Hall Meeting in Oslo. The Embassy's American Citizen Service unit hosted the Town Hall meeting at a local church in order to provide a forum for Americans to come together and share information, opinions, and... [Read more](#)



Can U.S. Citizens Vote In U.S. Elections While Residing Abroad?

Yes, your vote counts! Did you know that many U.S. elections for house and senate have been decided by a margin smaller than the number of ballots cast by absentee voters? All states are required to count every absentee ballot as long as it is valid and reaches local election officials by the absentee ballot receipt deadline.

Follow a few simple steps to make sure that you can vote in the 2018 U.S. elections. The Federal voting Assistance Program has all the information you need to register and receive your ballot in time for the mid-term elections in November. [Read more](#)



Regional Consular Service Visits This Fall. From Long-yearbyen to Kristiansand

The American Citizen Services unit of the United States Embassy will send a consular officer to visit many cities in Norway this fall. A consular officer can provide limited services to American citizens such as witnessing signatures on passport application and on consular Reports of Birth Abroad for children born to American citizen parents.

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Payment for Consular Services

Due to an change in banking procedures last year, the United States Embassy in Oslo is no longer able to deposit bank checks (bankremisse) in person as required by our financial management regulations. Unfortunately, this means that we have been prohibited from accepting payment of consular fees with a bankremisse, bank transfer, and Vipps. Payment must therefore be made in person at the U.S. Embassy. [Read more.](#)



Welcome to the Embassy. Tips for a Smooth Visit

All visitors to the Embassy require an appointment. For consular services, the entrance is on Sørkedalsveien. There are a few guidelines that you need to consider to make your visit to the embassy safe and effective. [Read more.](#)



Social Security Number and Passport Application

Did you know that you must provide your Social Security number, if you have been issued one, on your application for a U.S. passport. However, U.S. citizens who never had a Social Security number, when applying for a U.S. passport, must provide... [Read more](#)

Contact our Social Security Department to apply for a number fbu.oslo@ssa.gov

What is an Apostille Stamp? Why You May Need It.

Apostilles authenticate the seals and signatures of officials on public documents such as birth certificates, court orders, or any other document issued by a public authority so that they can be recognized in foreign countries that are members of the 1961 Hague Convention. Find out where to obtain apostille stamps. [Read more.](#)



Beware of International Financial Scams

U.S. citizens can become victims of scams at home or abroad. There are many different types of scams, but they all share a common goal: monetary gain for the scammers. Learn more about how to recognize scams and how to protect yourself. [Read more.](#)



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