

Alexandria public email comments

I can not believe you are considering closing the Alexandria branch located on S. Park Ave. I live in Elwood, In you already closed our branch a long time ago..Now the closest ones are Tipton which is only open two days a week and Alexandria open 3 days a week. People on disability like myself can't afford to drive to Noblesville or Kokomo for our business, and some ppl doesn't have a computer or smart phone to do some of their business online. These online services are taking away jobs for the American people. I myself would rather go to the branch in Alexandria and maybe wait 10 or 15 minutes rather than doing my stuff online. I'm asking that you do not close the branch Alexandria, In

Good Morning,
It was brought to my attention that the Alexandria, IN BMV branch might be closing. I hope that we can get enough supporters to not have this location close down. This location is convenient for so many Madison County residents and has always been such an amazing experience each time we have had to go. Please consider keeping this location open for the people of Madison County!

I wish to express my concern about closing the Alexandria branch of BMV. This will force all of the northern part of Madison County to seek another branch. The 3 days a week that the branch is open is always packed full both inside but in the parking lot. You can only force customers to other branches for so long until the system breaks down. Please consider other options before closing this branch for the sake of the people.

This branch needs to stay open.
Madison County is a very large area. Yes, online services are great, but to go into a branch, to travel to Anderson or further to do title work and driver's license is ridiculous for those in northern Madison County.
Thank you for the opportunity to be heard.

To whom it may concern,
I saw that there is a public hearing on Tuesday, August 30th relating to the possible closure of the Alexandria BMV. Sadly, I am out of town or I would attend this public hearing and express my concerns over this and hope it is not closed. I work for the Jane Pauley Community Health Center and we provide primary, behavioral and dental care to the community regardless of the patient's ability to pay. Many of our patients have issues with transportation, and can barely afford to have internet and TV in their homes. Closing the BMV would add another unwanted burden to them as they to obtain their ID cards, drivers license that help them to receive their health care and helps them to vote and to obtain a job.
Please consider the towns people of Alexandria as you make this decision. Many people don't have a means of transportation to drive to Anderson for their BMV needs. Thank you for hearing my concerns.

Hello,

I am a 39 year old male resident of Alexandria. I have been a lifelong resident of Madison County for that matter, previously living in Pendleton and Middletown on the Madison County side. I am greatly concerned with the possibility of the Alexandria branch being closed to say the least. The location convenience to the community is a necessary one for the citizens in this region of the county. If that branch is closed, the nearest physical location is 14 miles away in Anderson. Citizens should not have to lose quality time to travel or financially bare the burden of travel that distance in order to stay within the parameters of the law for licensure, identification, and registration purposes. I am well aware of online options, but I choose to physically go into the office as to help ensure employment of citizens in the community and furthermore want to encourage work ethic. Our state has a multimillion dollar surplus, it can afford to employ people. Not everyone has the capability of doing things online, or like myself, the desire to use that option out of personal choice. The Pendleton branch was closed and it created an unnecessary inconvenience to everyone there. Please do not do the same thing to the residents to this region.

I have not lived in Alexandria since graduating from high school in 1977 but have family still there. I now live in a small thriving Dutch community in Iowa with a population of 10,000. I am an hour from any town bigger than 10,000 I believe. Pella is not the county seat so for years we had to travel to a town 20 minutes away for licenses and plates.

A system was set up to have the bmv close at the courthouse on the 1st and 3rd Friday of the month and come to our town and set up in the community center so we could renew our drivers licenses or take driving tests. That kept the costs down but provided a way for us to not need to travel.

Also, we can get our tags/plates by mail as well as drivers licenses renewed for 5 or 8 yrs (it's random) online.

All of this was especially nice during the pandemic.

I have a healthy 87 yr old dad who no longer likes driving to Anderson which I understand as the traffic has increased due to commuters. Having an occasional office in a place like the community center would avoid steps for those who have a lot of pain or difficulty with stairs and be an easy location to set up a couple times a week.

Costs would be significantly reduced for the bmv but still provide a much wanted service.

Thank you for reading my thoughts and experiences.

Dear government,

I'm writing to let you know I'm NOT in favor of closing the Alexandria bmv location. That location serves many communities north of Anderson. Elwood, Frankton, Orestes, Summitville, Alexandria, Dundee, and a large amount of country folks outside of those towns city limits. We are already struggling with gas prices and inflation government has heaped on our backs and now you want to close our only location left in northern Madison co. and force us to drive a much further distance to Anderson which will cost us more time and more money. Now we'll have to wait in longer lines because you are forcing thousands into a store that I'm sure is already overwhelmed with business. If not this move with cause an overwhelming effect on other locations. You need to rethink your strategy in closing the Alexandria location because way to many are served and need a location that is in reasonable distance and easy access in THEIR own community. WE THE PEOPLE do not support the closure. And remember government it's OUR money you use to provide services so respect our request and move on to something that makes sense for once. Leave the Alexandria BMV OPEN!

I am writing in regards to the public hearing to discuss the closure of the Alexandria BMV branch. Although Alexandria is a smaller community, we are comprised of many low income and elderly community members. Closing this branch will be detrimental to the service offered for the majority of our community to conduct business. For many years, the Alexandria branch has been praised and prided on exceptional customer service. Many even travel from neighboring small communities to visit our local branch. Please consider keeping this branch open for the citizens of small town Alexandria and surrounding communities!

PLEASE KEEP THE ALEXANDRIA BRANCH OPEN. OUR CITY NEEDS THIS BUSINESS

We live in Fairmount and we use Alexandria all the time. Please don't shut it done. So much easier for a senior citizen like us to drive there, they are so helpful and always friendly. Please keep it open.

Thank you!

This email is being sent to share my concerns about closing the Alexandria branch. Being an Alexandria resident myself, I know it is difficult for other residents as well as residents of neighboring towns, to find a time to visit the local branch during business hours. Closing this location will only make it more difficult.
Please reconsider the closing of the Alexandria branch and keep it open for those who rely on having a location nearby.

This has been the best branch in Madison county for the 25 years I have lived in this county. It maybe it is the best branch in Indiana. I do not want it closed.

I would really like to see the branch stay open, it's convenient they are fast at getting you in and out and the only other closest one is anderson but they are always packed and not the friendlierst.. please keep alexandria open

Please do not close this branch. Alexandria is good branch for those in town, in southern Grant county and in northern Anderson to go to for plates and registration. Older folks like my parents are closer to this location. The people at this branch are very nice.

Please reconsider closing this branch in Alexandria.

Good morning. I am emailing you this letter opposing the closure of the Alexandria Indiana location. We have many people in our town that rely on this location instead of driving over 15 miles to the closest location depending on where you live. We have many elderly and disabled residence that cannot get transportation to another location much further away. Some also don't have transportation at all and ride their bicycle to get to where to need to get. This location is not only used by our Alexandria residence but also neighboring towns. These neighboring towns also would have to drive over 15 miles or more miles to the closest location. The towns' residents needs this branch to stay open. I plead with you to please stay open. We also have a new car dealership in town that relies heavily on this location being 1/2 mile away or less.

Thank you for your consideration.

To Whom it May Concern:

I am writing to express my concern at the possible closing of the Alexandria IN branch. I have many family and friends who are elderly and will not be able to easily get out of town for their BMV needs. They are also not of the age of the internet and or mobile devices, so doing their business online is not an option. Please think about this population of local citizens before closing the branch.

I am writing to express my concern at the possible closing of the Alexandria IN branch. I have many family, friends, and clients who are elderly and do not know how to do their BMV business online They would also have to depend on someone else to drive them to another branch.

Please think about this population of local citizens before closing the branch.

Keep this BMV open. We would just have to wait longer 15 miles away at another one. That is unacceptable, this state gets enough in taxes to keep it open, look at the surplus we have plus just the taxes to get plates. It's always more taxes and less services. KEEP THIS BRANCH OPEN

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing in regards to the possibility of the Alexandria BMV closing. I am strongly opposed to the closing of this branch.

My mother is elderly and does not have a computer nor the skills to navigate through the online process. She uses the Alex branch to conduct all of her BMV business, as this branch is conveniently located about 2 miles from her home. In addition, as Alexandria residents, my family and I frequently use this branch as well.

Closing this branch would cause a hardship to many, many people.

I cannot think of a time that this branch has not a waiting area full of people.

While I understand the need for government cut backs, I am asking that the Alexandria BMV not be one of them.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

As a community member I would like to say how much of hardship closing the alexandria branch would cause to many madison county indiana residents. This branch is always busy and they take care of many needs for residents not only of alexandria but surrounding small towns as well.

I personally work at the hrblock office located in the same mall area and they are very helpful to many of our clients that need identification cards and more.

This branch is a huge resource for alot of people.

Please reconsider and leave the branch location available for the communities they serve.

Hello,

We are responding to the recent news that our local BMV branch may be closing.

We are against such a closure.

The current location is conveniently located and there is plenty of parking space - both of these factors make it easier for those needing services to obtain them without the pressure and stress of driving out of town.

One of the advantages of living in Alexandria is the availability of services not offered in other communities.

We are in favor of keeping the local BMV office just as it is – local.

I have lived in Madison County all my life and have watched this county make good and bad decisions.

For Madison County and the State Indiana to close the Alexandria branch is the stupidest and unlogical decision you have ever made.

Out of all the branches, I have ever been to. Including Anderson Noblesville and Indianapolis, this was the nicest group of people. The branch is nice and the people are always nice.

The rest of the branches are rude and very disrespectful.

I hope you make the wise decision to keep this branch open.

To whom it may concern:

I want to inform you I visit this branch & do not want it to close!! Nearby branches are longer lines & very inconvenient! Please reconsider!

Hello,

I am writing to you today with a plea to keep our branch open. This community has lost so much over the years, so I understand why you would want to close this branch. However, I hope you will consider our population. We have so many elderly people who live in this community who do not feel comfortable using the website to do anything. Many also do not drive, so they are unable to make it to the next closest branches in Anderson and Muncie with ease. Additionally, not everything can be done online. Please note that it is also very difficult for some to make it to one of the other branches if they work from 8am until 5pm during the week. Do you really think that the Anderson branch is big enough to hold all the people who would have to visit it every day? The Alexandria branch pulls people from a wide radius who prefer our branch to Anderson. Please, I really hope you reconsider!

To whom it may concern,

Please consider keeping the Alexandria BMV open for northern Madison county residents. This branch is convenient and efficient for the northern part of our county. The length of time you will be forcing residents to wait at other branches will be astronomical if this branch closes.

Please do not shut down the Alexandria , IN DMV location. Please keep it open.

I will not be able to attend the hearing. I highly value the Alexandria BMV branch and the wonderful employees there. Please to don't close it.

Please, please don't close this BMV!! The employees are so nice and helpful and it is the first BMV I've gone to that gets you in and out in a decent amount of time. Love this place!!

Hello,

I just wanted to express my concern with the possible closing of the Alexandria branch. I really believe it will be a major inconvenience for all of those that use that branch. There really is not a branch that is super close and you just can't expect people to make such a time consuming effort to go to another branch when this branch was such an helpful and easy task to get to. It's a great branch in a great community and it will be such a disservice to those that need that branch to stay open. Please consider to keep the Alexandria branch open.

Hello,

Please do not close the Alexandria Branch. It will be a huge inconvenience for those that use this branch. It will be a disservice to the area and the community to close it. It will overload the other branches. Every time I've been at that branch it was always busy but it didn't take long to get my business done. The crew of workers always smiled and was very helpful. We need more branches like the Alexandria one. Please consider keeping it open.

Please keep the Alexandria location open. I don't drive out of town. Don't have family that can drive me either. This branch is a necessity to me and many people in Alexandria. Thank you

I vote No on closing Alexandria BMV. It's convenient for people that live here and we have many older adults that it benefits being here due to they don't go to far out of town. Please staff this facility don't close it.

Don't want it closed down because this would mean have to travel further to get things done... Just not right for everyone...

Don't want it to close because other branches are busier than others and we just need this one to stay open...

We want to keep the BMV branch in Alexandria, it provides essential services to the community and adds value to our small community.

Keep it open!!!

I would really hate to see the Alexandria License branch close. I work in Alexandria and I do realize that we have a wide variety of elderly and low income residents that do have transportation issues. and having a location closer for those families is a great asset to the community. Among those families they do not have the capability of internet online availability as well. This is also convenient for those who do work nearby and need to take care of business that they can leave work and do so on their breaks. I do know that the license branch has always been a very busy place in Alexandria and they serve a wide area of surrounding cities. Please reconsider your decision on this matter.

Thank you,

A very concerned citizen.

As a resident of Alexandria and former resident of Elwood I URGE you to keep the Alexandria BMV open. The branch provides a great service to residents of Alexandria, Elwood, Sumitville, Frankton and the surrounding area.

Hello...

To whom it may concern.

Closing the branch in Alexandria would be a HUGE disservice to the northern half of the county in many ways. Most of the residents in the northern half of the county as well as neighboring county's frequent this branch for their BMV needs. Having to go to south Anderson and wait in long lines is just ridiculous. You should not have to sit for over an our to get something done that takes less than 5 min most of the time. This branch is a huge help for A lot of older residents as well. For people in Alexandria, Frankton, Summitville as well as other surrounding towns/communities it would create having to drive 30 minutes or more to make it to a branch. Then the wait times would be longer with the increase of population. Surely there are other ways to move things around to save money vs putting several thousand of local and nearby residents out. Even if you only were open 3 days a week. Like Saturday, Tuesday, Wednesday I remember growing up around here there were quite a few branches. Almost in every town. Now we are down to just a couple and now your wanting to make that even smaller. I understand downsizing to a degree... but you still have alot of people who live up here. Everything has moved to south Madison Co. And it has made it difficult for alot of people. Please don't add to that. Thank you for your time!

NO!!! I vote NO to a closure of the BMV, it's a convenience for all of our community to have this BMV up and going , as muncie and anderson bmv is horrid to walk into!!

To Whom it May Concern;

As a 50+ year business owner in Alexandria and Madison County, I am opposed to the proposed closing of the Alexandria License Branch. I own and register 8 business and personal vehicles through the local branch. I do not like on-line transactions and quite frankly don't trust the safety of most credit card on-line transaction. Please reconsider your position on this matter as I feel it would generate a great inconvenience especially to senior citizens who may not be computer friendly. Please register my strong objection to this proposal.

Hi, i'm sure a lot of people could agree with me here but i'm sure there will always be those negative people that disagree and don't show any care for those elderly people in our community. this is why i'll be listing a few things why i believe alexandria bmv shouldn't be closed

1. we have elderly people that don't have transportation and the alexandria bmv is that only option for them.
2. the young children trying to get their permit test or take their driving test, most of their parents wouldn't want to drive out of town just for the lack of their children needs.
3. alexandria barely has anything in this small little town, what good does it do too shut down something that everyone needs.
4. we need to bmv for a lot of things and shutting it down does no good for the people that don't have transportation and their parents don't want to take them.

this closing will cause a lot of stress and hatred for the community and not only for the young people but also for the lack of respect people have for the elderly people. i hope you guys consider all the things i listed and you don't end up closing this business down.

thank you

We need the branch around here. It's busy whenever it is open.

To Whom it May Concern,

I live in Alexandria. I am contacting you in regards to the possible closing of the BMV branch in Alexandria.

I do not think that the BMV in Alexandria should be closed. That would only leave only one BMV location within Madison County (Anderson branch). The Anderson branch is incredibly busy with long wait times, even with the other location open in Alexandria. Also, traveling outside the county to another BMV location is not feasible for some people.

Good evening,

As a resident of Alexandria, I wish to share that I do not want this branch to close. It would not be wise to close this branch leaving only one remaining open in Madison County (Anderson). When you look at the population of Anderson and surrounding areas, you cannot imagine one location would smoothly run having to accommodate that many people. Keeping the Alexandria branch open will allow the Alexandria branch and surrounding branches to run efficiently.

Nevertheless, I have always had pleasant experiences at the Alexandria branch. The customer service is wonderful. The Alexandria branch tends to be quick and easy!

The Alexandria branch should most definitely remain open! Thank you for your time.

Decision-makers,

Please do not close the Alexandria, Indiana BMV. For many years our citizens, as well as surrounding communities utilize this because of the convenience of location, along with the specific employees that are at this branch. They have always been very efficient with their time and effective with their services to us. We have always had amazing service here opposed to other branches where we wait longer and who have employees who aren't as friendly.

In current years, my children have been able to take safe driving tests in the Alexandria area where other locations aren't as safe.

Please consider keeping this branch open!

As an Alexandria in town resident, I do not see the need for the Alexandria BMV located at 2211 S Park Ave #1, Alexandria IN 46001; to be closed.

As this will take away from our community. It already becomes a packed, hour upon hour waiting place. BMV's are a crucial part to today's living and necessities. It is a place that we as citizens in whole, will always need. It is not a shop that will go out of style. So why take that away from Alexandria Residents? It will cause surrounding towns to suffer, by gaining more "customers". Which results in even longer waiting periods, that may cause delay or multiple trips to a BMV. Taking into consideration not everybody can afford to do so.

For those who say "go online" ..Not everyone can get what they need offline! You can't do much over a phone call, due to identification and security. Some don't have the access to do either of those if they could. Some don't have vehicles, or the means to get out of town. Consider those residents and the struggles they will now have to suffer if you remove the Alexandria location option. I've personally been to other BMV's around Madison County, around Indiana, even out of state and they are always packed or have a lengthy wait.

Do not take from this small town! If anything we need more public community serving businesses!!!!

Concerned Citizen of The Alexandria Community

To whom it may concern,

The proposed Alexandria Branch closing is not a great idea. It does not politically serve anyone by closing this location from the area residents, the employees, literally no one will benefit from this. Our tax dollars pay for this location, and considering it is one of the few branches that exist in Madison County- I will proudly say it's the only one I EVER go to. It's the only location in my 37 years that has familiar faces STILL working in it. This location is efficient. Also, this location is central to Alexandria, Frankton, Elwood, Summitville and many other smaller communities that do not wish to patronize your larger city's locations. This Branch conducts driving tests for many of our teens, and does it much more efficiently than surrounding locations. More importantly, the biggest issue I have with this proposal is the thinking that more Hoosiers are using online services for their BMV needs. I can tell you that none of the elderly in my life use those services. They do not comfortably use smart phones if they even own them- they do not have access to computers... they schedule special trips to get their needs met at a local BMV as they have ALWAYS done, and will continue to do.

I implore you to consider your audience when thinking that this is the best possible decision. We as a community strongly DISAGREE.

Hello,

It would be silly to close the Alexandria branch. Most people can not take time off of work in order to sit at the Anderson branch for close to 3 hrs just for something simple. Since Pendleton closed the Anderson branch is unable to deal with the influx it has caused. The Alexandria branch is easy to get into and your not sitting there all day just to register a new vehicle. Also the only reason the hours were reduced for this branch was because there was no one to work the Tipton branch. The Anderson branch is a joke and extremely difficult to deal with. Everyone I have ever dealt with at the Alexandria branch has had more patient with the customers.

Here is a thought, close the Tipton branch. It is only open two days a week and the Alexandria employees are the ones staffing it.

Thank you for considering not closing the Alexandria branch.

Please do not close this branch we need a branch here in Alexandria not only to provide jobs for local people but for the towns in this area to do business.

Please we are asking that you don't close this branch. It's been an asset to our community and all my life here in Alexandria What about my parents that need to speak and talk to a human if they have questions

You need to keep this branch open!!! If I had known this date I would've made time out of my work schedule to attend this! We moved away from noblesville because the over crowding and you can hardly ever get into that branch! Now this is one of the best branches we have ever been to. Never over crowded. Could always get done anything in a timely manner. Not to count on the elderly needing to do things. And you want to take this away????

What has become of this state? We pay for infrastructure and excise and this fee that fee while our roads never get repairs, and you want to take this away from we the people who depend upon it? And we just lived last year to Madison county. Not far from this!!!!

KEEP THIS BRANCH OPEN!!!!

I am sending this email due to not being able to attend the public hearing this evening for the Alexandria BMV. I would like to share my concerns with the closure of this branch. It is very important and necessary that this branch remains open.

Many people in this town do not have access to traveling out of town for services such as the bmv. Additionally many people in this town do not have access to the internet to do necessary services online. I am sending my plea to keep this branch open! Thank you for your time.

I am not pretending to know the pros vs cons of keeping the branch, in any detail. However it seems that it might be relatively safe to say that if the state can throw monies around like confetti at ridiculous programs that have no real benefit other than make people feel good about bad things, then I think cutting some funding to ridiculous programs should come way before closing this branch. IT is a convenience to many of us over here in Northern Madison county. It would be great for it to stay open.

To whom it may concern,

I am not sure what this email should look like or entail. I just wanted to share my family's request to NOT close down the Alexandria branch. I have been to other branches in Madison County and this one is by far the kindest and quickest that I have been to.

Living in Summitville there aren't many other branches around us. This would save my family as well as countless others in similar shoes, so much hassle and headache by keeping this branch open.

Thank you for taking comment on the potential closure of the Alexandria branch. Please consider keeping our branch open. Northern Madison county, Alexandria included, is tremendously underserved as a whole. Citizens here must travel to Anderson for many government services and assistance. Taking this crucial service out of our town and out of northern Madison county will only serve to further compound many area residents already face. Transportation insecurity is rampant in our area. The bmv is one of the only services many of our citizens can reach by walking, biking or moped.

Thank you

Please don't close this branch just because it's in a small town and/or is not close to Indianapolis or the interstate. Having vital businesses like this in a town is what keeps the town and surrounding areas alive. Northern Madison County needs this. Everyone DOES NOT live in the south!

To Whom it May Concern:

I have lived in Alexandria for 8 years but before that most of my life I heard stories from my father about Alexandria and how Bill and Gloria were his teachers before they were even married. My grandfather preached at a church off of Broadway that has been torn down. My husband's dad's side of the family also graduated from Alexandria. We decided to move here to be able to have memories from other of our family's past and to be able to create many more memories. One of the first things I looked for and saw was the BMV . I wanted to make sure I could easily get our driver's licenses changed to reflect our new address and make sure that we were registered to vote in the right place The BMV took care of that for us and the staff welcomed us and has always been polite and courteous. We just purchased a new car and they helped us get the title switched over and updated. Plus I know several elderly people who go to the branch because Anderson is just too far for them to travel. In town is one thing but driving to Anderson is too far. Plus a lot of our families do not have internet access or just can't afford the things needed to get onto the internet. I work with over 100 families in the area for my job and they either don't have the financial resources or the equipment to be able to get online. Please don't take the BMV away from a community that utilizes the services they provide every day that they are open.

Leave our branch open

Hello-

I wasn't able to attend the hearing regarding the possible closure of the Alexandria IN BMV.

Please don't close this branch. I drive several miles to use the services this branch provides. I do not enjoy going to the Anderson branch, it's a headache to put it mildly.