



# DEPARTMENT NOTICE

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## Department of State's Next Generation Passport

The U.S. Department of State started issuing new modernized U.S. Passport books in 2021. The Next Generation Passport uses new technologies to produce a more robust passport with enhanced security features, such as a polycarbonate data page, laser engraved personalization and updated artwork. Criminals may use stolen, false, or altered U.S. Passports to conceal their identity or facilitate other criminal activities. As a reminder, all previously issued passports are valid until their expiration dates. Please see attached Next Generation Passport sample and features.

Training programs and additional resources are available to law enforcement agencies and other stakeholders. If you would like more information regarding Next Generation Passports, please contact [REDACTED]. For investigative inquiries regarding passport or visa fraud, please contact [REDACTED].

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "William Scott".

WILLIAM SCOTT  
Chief of Police

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