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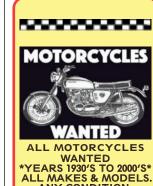
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Sealed bids will be received by the City of Morganfield, Kentucky at the city hall until 5:00 P.M., C.T., on April 24, 2025, for the purchase of \$3,900,000 of City of Morgan-field Sewer System Revenue Bonds, Series 2025, to be dated Bonds, Series 2025, to be dated as of the date of delivery and bearing interest from that date, payable semiannually, maturing on January 1, 2027 through 2066. Minimum bid, par value. USDA, Rural Development will submit a bid for the purchase of the Bonds. In the event that a bid(s) from non-governmental bidder(s) shall be received, the rate and terms of which are determined by RD to be reasonable, then such RD bid will be withsuch RD bid will be withdrawn. Good faith check 2%. Approving legal opinion by Rubin & Hays, Louisville, Kentucky. The Bonds will be issued on a tax-exempt basis, subject to certain qualifications set out in detail in the Official Notice of Sale of Bonds. Bid Forms, Official Notice and other information may be obtained from the undersigned. (Signed) Scott Clements, City Administrator, Morganfield, Kentucky.

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#### Govt Public Notices

Public Hearing Louisville Metro Planning Metro Commission
Thursday, April 24, 2025 at 1:00

Old Jail Building, 514 W. Liberty St. 25-LDC-0002: Louisville Loop

Master Plan Adoption into the Comprehensive Plan The case files may be inspected at 444 S. 5th Street, Ste 300, or online at https://louisvilleky.primegov.co m/public/portal. For additional information contact Planning at 574-6230 or visit https://louisvilleky.gov/government/office-planning.

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**LEGAL NOTICE - NOTICE OF** PUBLIC HEARING CITY OF INDIAN HILLS

Indian Hills will hold a public Indian Hills will hold a public hearing on April 16, 2025, at 6:00 P.M. at Louisville Boat Club, 4200 River Road, Louisville, KY 40207, under KRS 174.100 to take the sense of the public with regard to spending Municipal Aid Program Funds for the fiscal year ending on June 30, 2025. Any person may speak concerning any project which he/she feels should be built, projects to be considered. projects to be considered, priorities, and related matters. City proposes to use its Munici-pal Aid Program funds for the resurfacing of certain streets in the City of Indian Hills.

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April 16, 2025. Address all bids to City of Indian Hills, c/o Chip Hancock, Mayor, 3905 Brownsboro Road, Indian Hills, KY 40207-1823, which will be the place of the bid opening. Copies of detailed specifications can be obtained at force

tions can be obtained at afore-mentioned office or contact Mr. Jim Graven, Public Works

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Historic Homes Foundation, Inc., a Kentucky nonprofit corpora-tion, having a mailing address of 3110 Lexington Road, Louisville, KY 40206, hereby declares its intention to apply for a Qualified Historic Site License and a Special Sunday Retail Drink License Historic Site License and a Special Sunday Retail Drink License no later than April 11, 2025 for Farmington Historic Home, 3033 Bardstown Road, Louisville, KY 40205. The Chair of the Board of Regents of Historic Homes Foundation, Inc. is Dean Hewitt Wilkinson, having a mailing address 3033 Bardstown Road, Louisville, KY 40205. Any person, association, corporation, or body politic may protest the granting of the license by writing the Department of Alcoholic Beverages, 500 Mero Street 2NE33, Frankfort, KY 40601, within thirty (30) days (pursuant to KRS 243.430) of the date of legal publication.

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# Former UK athlete victim of Weiss data breach

BY TAYLOR SIX tsix@herald-leader.com

At least one University of Kentucky male student-athlete is believed to be a victim of a data breach and cyber assault of Matt Weiss, a former assistant football coach at the University of Michigan and Baltimore Ravens, who was indicted last week.

Weiss was federally indicted in March on 24 counts of unauthorized access and aggravated identity theft of studentathlete information, according court documents.

Weiss allegedly hacked into 150,000 studentathletes' accounts at colleges and universities nationwide, including UK. Up to 3,300 of those accounts involved intimate and private videos and photos, authorities

"Thousands of candid, intimate photographs and videos have been seized

from the defendant's electronic devices and from his cloud storage accounts," according to an email from the Justice Department's Mega Victim Case Assistance Program.

"Many show victims naked. Some show victims engaged in explicit sexual acts."

A notice was sent to UK on April 8 where civil attorneys Megan Bonanni and Lisa Esser-Weidenfeller asked officials to preserve electronic evidence of student athletes from 2017 to 2020.

"Weiss hacked into the accounts of thousands of student-athlete accounts at colleges and universities around the country, including that of John Doe," the notice reads.

Their client, listed as John Doe, attended UK from 2017 to 2020, documents show.

Bonanni and Esser-Weidenfeller represented victims in the Larry Nassar case, as well as

the plaintiffs who filed sexual assault complaints against former UK swimming coach, Lars Jorgenson.

Nassar is a convicted serial child rapist and former family medicine physician. For 18 years, he was the team doctor of the US women's national gymnastics team, where he used his position to exploit and sexually assault hundreds of young athletes.

He is jailed in a federal prison likely for the rest of his life.

More allegations are being revealed against Weiss daily, including how he accessed a massive amount of student data. According to lawsuits, Weiss is alleged have gained unauthorized access to databases maintained by a third-party vendor.

Weiss allegedly downloaded personal information and data of more than 150,000 athletes and, from there, was able to access the information of more than 2,000 athletes, including access to their social media, email and cloud storage.

University of Kentucky spokesperson Jay Blanton said the university "never received an evidence preservation notice.'

#### ATTORNEYS: CHECK IF YOU RECEIVED A NOTICE

Esser-Weidenfeller and Bonanni came into contact with the student at UK "organically" after an article was published about Weiss's indictment and the former athlete realized he received a notice of a data breach and ignored it. Soon after, he tracked down the attorneys.

According to Esser-Weidenfeller, many students may have received a nondescript notice from the Department of Justice via email in 2024 which was easy to disregard.

'Some (notices) would

go into their junk folder, and it was a generic notice that your data may have been breached which included Matt Weiss's name," Esser-Weidenfeller told the Herald-Leader. "But there was no information about what was breached or that it could be tied to the their university.'

The notice included a link to click for more information, which people often believe could be a scam, Esser-Weidenfeller said.

"If you are receiving this notification, it means that information of yours was found in possession of the defendant," the Department of Justice's email read.

Esser-Weidenfeller and Bonanni discovered many universities have not sent out notices of potential data breaches to their current and former students or student athletes.

It is unclear if UK sent out notices about a potential data breach, or if they were aware they were involved prior to the attorneys' contact.

"Any student-athlete from 2015 to 2023 at a university or college you need to go back and look," Bonanni said. "Even if they didn't get a notice, that doesn't mean they weren't impacted.

"This spans from the East to West Coasts, involves men and women in every sport," Bonanni said.

#### **FEDERAL INVESTIGATION AND LAWSUITS LAUNCHED**

Weiss was fired from his coaching position the University of Michigan in 2023 after the investigation began.

He has pleaded not guilty to all 24 charges.

As of April 10, at least 11 individuals — all listed as "Jane Does" — have opted to take part in a class-action lawsuit against Weiss. Some of the victims' state of residence includes Illinois, Maryland, Louisiana and Missouri.

Some of the defendants listed in the lawsuits include Weiss and the University of Michigan Board of Regents. Keffer Development Services is also listed as a defendant, and is a software design company for athletic trainers.

According to their website, Keffer Development provides services to 600 clients across 48 states and internationally including high schools and college customers.



QILAI SHEN The New York Times

A worker helps make plush toys on March 19 at Dongguan Yarunli Toys in Dongguan, China.

## In storm of tariffs, some firms see China as safest harbor

BY DAISUKE WAKABAYASHI NYT News Service

Even as President Donald Trump heaped additional tariffs on China, his barrage of trade levies on countries across Asia and unpredictability about what he might do next has encouraged some companies to hunker down in China, exactly the opposite of what he

had hoped. Trump has steadily ratcheted up the pressure on China. As of Wednesday, his new tariffs on China exceed 100%, including a last-minute escalation serving as punishment for Beijing's retaliation on earlier levies.

However, unlike what happened during his first term, Trump accompanied the tariff campaign on China with steep import duties on dozens of other countries, including a handful of Asian countries that became popular alternatives in the earlier trade war between Beijing and Washington as a way to circumvent levies and limit supply chain disruptions.

But for some companies, the so-called reciprocal tariffs have had the unexpected effect of making China an even more appealing place to produce in and buy from. It has eliminated some of the motivation to diversify production or sourcing to places such as Vietnam, India or other Asian countries.

In addition, the chaos that has followed last week's announcement has made companies wary about adding more upheaval with a dramatic chains. Faced with constant flux and unpredictability, companies are choosing to stay with what they know: longstanding relationships with Chinese suppliers or manufacturing partners.

"Staying in China and making China work is everyone's strategy right boo fiber.

conference for American entrepreneurs this week, said he, like other business owner attendees, was not devoting time to searching for new partners or ways to move from China. Instead, he was working with his

change to their supply

now," said Travis Luther, founder of MOSO Pillow, a Denver-based maker of bedding made from bam-

Luther, who attended a Chinese business partner to find ways to save costs or develop new products. Cost advantages are only one part of what makes China the go-to destination for making goods.

"That's not even why most people are in China anymore. It's because they have very sophisticated manufacturing and engineering processes," Luther said.

Trump has said that the tariffs would help bring manufacturing back to the U.S., but that remains a difficult proposition. Currently, most American factories cannot match China's manufacturing capability, capacity and speed even if the tariffs eat into its cost advantag-

As trade tensions escalated in the first Trump presidency, many American and multinational companies opted to move some production away from China to less adversarial countries. For most, the U.S. was not a viable option.

But changing suppliers is a difficult, expensive and time-consuming process. Luther said a consultant told him that it would cost at least \$6 million to build a U.S. facility to grow and process bamboo fibers. And in the several years it would take for the bamboo trees to grow, he would have to pay the tariffs to import fibers from China.

A complete supply chain overhaul to another country requires time and money - something companies are reluctant to pursue unless they know where government policy is heading.

"It's like the fog of war, but it's the fog of trade war," said Kit Conklin, the global head of risk and compliance at Exiger, a supply chain mapping firm. "There's got to be policy certainty for industry to react."

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> East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc. PO Box 707 Winchester, KY 40392-0707 Phone: (859)744-4812

A top executive at an international contract manufacturer said it was impossible to make any long-term decisions about shifting outside of China based on what feels like haphazard decision-making from the U.S.
"The rules of the game

seem to change every day. It feels we have no option but to sit tight," said this executive, who asked not to be identified given the sensitive nature of tariff discussions in the U.S. and China.

When American and multinational companies started to move some production from China

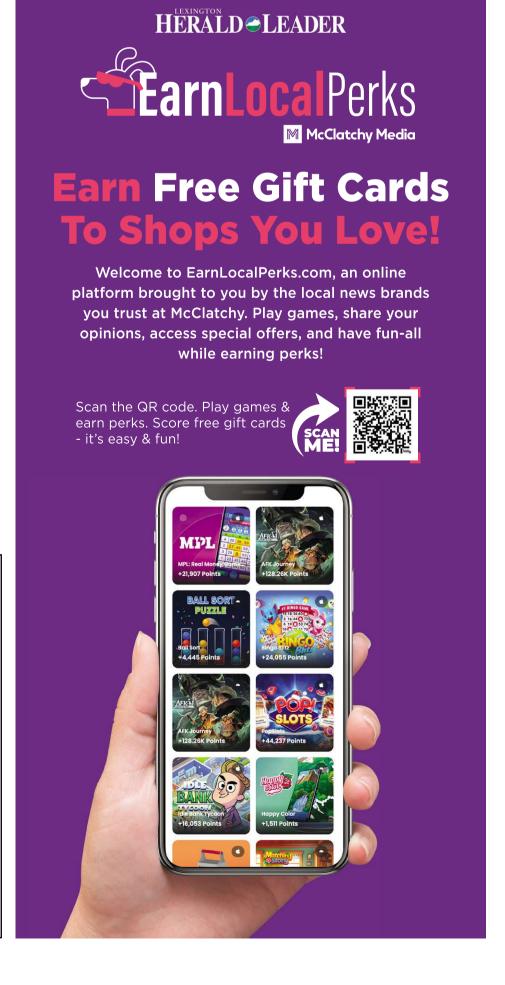
several years ago, many Chinese factory owners opened facilities in neighboring Asian countries or Mexico. It was a way to reroute some of the flow of goods through countries with significantly lower duties.

But the recent round of tariffs on about 60 countries that imposed duties of 46% on Vietnam, 36% on Thailand, and 27% on India "greatly diminish" the incentive to relocate factories away from China, according to a research note from Nomura Securities, a Japanese investment bank. Trump announced Wednesday,

though, that he would halt most of his reciprocal tariffs for 90 days.

Nomura said that while China still faces substantial challenges from the higher tariff, "the broader tariff net cast over its competitors may inadvertently preserve its position in global supply chains."

Sarah Massie, who runs a consulting practice advising U.S. companies on foreign trade, said that when tariffs are harsh everywhere, people tend to stick with the status quo. In the manufacturing world, China is the status



## Beshear calls out federal cuts to FEMA amid floods

**Eleanor McCrary** 

Louisville Courier Journal **USA TODAY NETWORK** 

FRANKFORT, Ky. - Hours after flood waters crested in Kentucky's capital, Gov. Andy Beshear walked through Franklin County High School, sharing words of encouragement to people displaced from the widespread flooding.

"Kentucky has been hit yet again, but we are strong, and what you see in a place like this is neighbors helping neighbors: living out that golden rule," Beshear said. "And because of that, we will dig out, we will muck out and we'll move forward."

The high school is one of many areas in Frankfort operating as an emergency shelter for people impacted by the floods as waters in the area hit their peak levels. On Sunday night, Frankfort Mayor Lane Wilkerson urged residents to evacuate in anticipation of the Kentucky River's crest on Monday.

It appeared to crest Monday morning at 48.3 feet, the second highest on record.

However, for many areas in Kentucky – including Louisville – the water is still rising. The commonwealth has been hit by widespread flooding from the week's batch of storms and heavy rainfall, with cities from Paducah to Carrollton impacted.

On Friday, President Donald Trump approved Beshear's request for an emergency disaster declaration.

"President Trump and Secretary (Kristi) Noem have been really good in their response to the natural disasters we've had in this term," Beshear said, referencing previous flooding in February. "They very quickly signed the documents. Their FEMA group in Eastern Kentucky is doing some of the best I've ever seen a FEMA group doing. In the last several years, they've really improved their processes, and you hear many fewer complaints and many more people being helped."

Still, Beshear said these improvements are why Trump should not "break or dissolve" FEMA and other federal agencies, raising concerns over emergency disasters on both the state and national levels in an interview with The Courier Journal while visiting the temporary shelter.

#### Beshear seeks out federal, local assistance for floods

The Federal Emergency Management Agency has had search and rescue teams out during the emergency phase, Beshear said.

'We already have our major disaster declaration from the president, but we'll be applying for individual and for public assistance," he said. "That's something that I expect we'll reach all the thresholds for, so my hope is that more help is on the way."

These floods are an example of why federal agen-



Charlotte Smith shows Kentucky Gov. Andy Beshear the shelter set up at Franklin County High School for people impacted by the Frankfort floods. ELEANOR MCCRARY/COURIER JOURNAL

cies must not dissolve and why the state should not have capped Kentucky's emergency relief funding, Beshear said.

His comments come amid the Trump administration's federal government overhaul, which has included a slew of executive orders that significantly reduce the capacity of many federal agencies. Hundreds of employees have been fired from FEMA, and Trump previously suggested shutting down the agency. The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration has also received significant cuts.

"When you look at the National Weather Service, one of the reasons that we haven't lost more people is that they're there," Beshear said. "They're doing the forecast. They're helping our meteorologists and us in the state, they helped us be prepared."

Cuts to the National Weather Service, which is a part of the NOAA, "will cause people to lose their lives,"

His funding woes extend locally - where he criticized the Kentucky General Assembly for implementing a funding cap for emergency disasters. In the biennial budget, the General Assembly restricted Beshear's spending, allowing him to allocate \$50 million for emergency responses in the first year of the twoyear budget and \$50 million in the second year.

The legislature later approved Beshear accessing the second \$50 million early – allowing him to spend \$100 million total in the course of two years.

Beshear said the state will need to bypass that cap before the next budget "for certain."

"What it likely means is it will hit a point where a natural disaster will cause us to call a special session, just to be able to have the basics to respond, much less to provide extra help to people," he said.

Sen. Gex Williams, R-Verona, also visited the Franklin County High School shelter. He said he believes a special session could be possible, depending on the damage, but that more information is needed.

"So if we go over that (amount), (Beshear) calls in for a special session and we can allocate more." Williams said. "But I don't think that's imminent. Again, you're really not going to know all the damage until the water goes down."

## Rains subside, but floods continue to rock Kentucky

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The rain is gone. The water isn't.

Louisville and much of Kentucky saw the sun for the first time in several days Monday, as storms that had rolled through the region throughout the weekend and last week have finally passed.

But those heavy rains left a swollen Ohio River in Louisville and varying flooding degrees of around much of the state, including hard-hit Frankfort. And as more stormwater rolls into the region from waterways to our east, the high water is likely here to stay for some time.

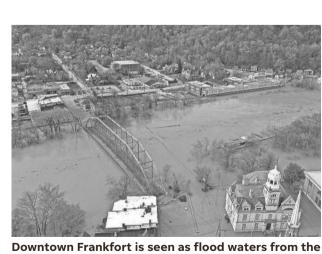
As of Monday, according to Mayor Craig Greenberg, the Ohio River in Louisville was expected to crest at more than 35 feet at the upper portion of the McAlpine Locks and Dam near the Falls of the Ohio, similar to the water levels reached in the 2018 floods. The lower portion of the dam is expected to crest at 68 feet. which could pose threats to west and southwest Louisville, officials add-

Much of River Road was underwater by Sunday, including businesses around the historic Louisville Water Tower, where Louisville EMS said 80 people were evacuated Monday from a nearby Candlewood Suites Hotel, and further toward Harrods Creek and Wolf Pen Branch.

Waters are expected to crest in the city today, forecasters have projected, with a likelihood it



Drone footage captures buildings, including the Buffalo Trace Distillery, submerged in floodwaters after heavy rainfall pummeled Frankfort over the weekend. PHOTOS BY MICHAEL CLEVENGER/COURIER JOURNAL



Kentucky River encroach on the town Monday.

could be among the 10 highest floods in city history.

Jefferson County Public Schools and the University of Louisville each held classes online Monday, and plans for Tuesday were unclear as of press time. The annual Thunder Over Louisville air show and fireworks showcase, originally scheduled for this coming

Saturday, was already canceled over the weekend as a precaution.

Other parts of the state, meanwhile, are dealing with issues of their own.

The Kentucky River in Frankfort appeared to have crested as of Monday morning, but Kentucky's capital city was rocked by the waters. Residents were asked to stay home and conserve water if possible as many local businesses were swamped, including the Buffalo Trace Distillery. which expects to remain closed until Thursday at the earliest.

Eyes in the region were also watching the Dix Dam closely. Ten of the spill gates on the dam between Mercer and Garcounties opened as part of a planned release Friday, according to LG&E and KU, but a miscommunication between officials led Carrollton Mayor Robb Adams to warn residents Sunday the gates were accidentally opened and that communities along the Kentucky River should evacuate. He apologized Monday, citing "bad information."

Kentucky Gov. Andy Beshear on Monday said no new deaths had been recently reported, though he expressed concern

about a missing person in McCracken County. Two people, a 9-year-old boy in Frankfort and a 74year-old woman in Boston, have died amid the floods, according to the governor and local offi-

But Beshear warned an overnight freeze warning was likely Monday night heading into a chilly Tuesday and urged Bluegrass State residents to continue to take precautions as rivers and other waterways near peak lev-

"Do not drive through water, do not move barricades, because remember, if you do that, you're not just making a bad decision for yourself, you could cause the harm or even death to that next person that comes along," he added.

More than 500 state roads were closed at the start of the week due to high waters.

**Temperatures** Louisville on Tuesday were expected to remain in the mid to upper 40s, according to the National Weather Service, before rising back into the upper 50s and lower 60s Wednesday and Thursday. Some precipitation is expected Wednesday night heading into Thursday.

In cases of life-threatening emergencies, Beshear said, call 911. For immediate issues that do not put lives at risk, call 502-607-6665 or visit kyem.ky.gov. Emergency management crews from several other states are currently in the commonwealth supporting the National Guard, Kentucky State Police and other first responders.

"Four days of severe storms have brought devastation to so many communities," Beshear said. '... To all the rescue teams from here in the commonwealth or from other states that have come to aid us, thank you for helping our people. Thanks for answering the call once again."

#### **NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

Notice is hereby given that the Kentucky Public Service Commission (the "Commission") will conduct a hearing at 9:00 a.m. Eastern Daylight Time on Monday, April 21, 2025 through April 23, 2025, at the Commission's offices at 211 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, Kentucky, 40602, for the purposes of crossexamination of witnesses of East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc., ("EKPC") in PSC Case No. 2024-00370, regarding examination of the Electronic Application of East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc. for 1) Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity to construct a New Generation Resources; 2) For a site compatibility certificate relating to the same; 3) Approval of Demand Side Management Tariffs; And 4) Other General Relief. This notice is provided in compliance with 807 KAR 5:001, Section 9(2)(b). This hearing will be streamed live and may be viewed on the PSC website, psc.ky.gov. Public comments may be made at the beginning of the hearing. Those wishing to make oral public comments may do so by following the instructions listed on the PSC website, psc.ky.gov.

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