

KSP Warn Public of Text Message Scam

RECIPIENTS URGED TO DELETE MESSAGES AND AVOID CLICKING FRAUDULENT LINKS

Kentucky State Police Citation Enforcement Unit
Reference: KSP-2026-TRA-837291
Your vehicle has an active unpaid traffic violation that has been escalated to our enforcement division. Immediate action is required. Failure to pay within 12 hours will result in vehicle impoundment, license suspension, and a warrant for your arrest being issued. Resolve now:
<https://drive-ky.gov-sxg.org/dmv>
Kentucky State Police

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Screenshot of an actual text message sent to a newspaper employee phone.

FRANKFORT, Ky. (March 26, 2026) - The Kentucky State Police (KSP) is alerting the public to a scam involving fraudulent text messages claiming to be from KSP regarding unpaid traffic violations.

These messages are not legitimate. The texts often include a link and may attempt to create a sense of urgency to prompt immediate payment or action. Recipients are strongly advised not to click on any links and to delete the message immediately.

KSP emphasizes that it does not contact individuals via text message regarding citations, fines or payments. Any communication requesting payment through a text message should be considered suspicious.

Reports received today are part of a broader trend observed recently, with multiple complaints involving similar scam messages. These include attempts to impersonate Amazon, the Kentucky State Police, the Kentucky Office of Highway Safety and other reputable organizations.

KSP urges the public to remain cautious when receiving unexpected or suspicious messages.

The Team Kentucky Stop Scams initiative was created to help Kentuckians best protect their family from scams by providing information and resources you can trust.

To learn how to report a scam, please visit the Team Kentucky Stop Scams website.

Mammoth Cave Area Tourism Officials Announce 2026 Caveland Exploration Celebration

FREE APRIL 21 EVENT FEATURES LOCAL TOURISM ATTRACTIONS

The 18th Annual Caveland Exploration Celebration will take place on Tuesday, April 21, at the Cave Area Convention Center in Cave City. Explore Kentucky's Caveland, a partnership of area tourism organizations and businesses, presents the free event for front line employees of tourism-related businesses. It features information about attractions in the tri-county Mammoth Cave area. The year's event is sponsored by Munfordville Tourism.

"Our Caveland Celebration has attracted thousands of front line staff of tourism businesses since it began in 2008," says Munfordville Tourism Commission Executive Director Aaron Jagers. "We specifically want to invite employees of local businesses that serve tourists, including attractions, entertainment venues, lodging, restaurants, shops, welcome centers, convenience stores, and service stations. Those employees answer visitor questions every day, and we want to help give them the answers to those questions."

In addition to more than 30 booths set up by local attractions, the event will include a 15-minute customer-service training segment. Front line employees of local tourism-related businesses who visit each booth and attend the short customer service training will receive free "Caveland Fast Passes" for free admissions

and discounts to participating local tourism businesses, and they will be eligible for door prizes.

"We love hosting the Celebration here at the Cave Area Conference Center," says Jennifer McNett, Cave City Tourism & Convention Commission Executive Director. "It's free and open to the public from 11 am to 7 pm. Participants should plan to spend about an hour visiting the booths and attending the customer service training."

"Tourism is a vital part of the economy of our area that brings more than \$174 million economic impact annually and supports more than 1,350 jobs. Our front line tourism employees are the best ambassadors for our industry," says MacLean Lessenberry, Executive Director of the Glasgow-Barren County Tourist & Convention Commission. "We want to make sure they have the most current information about the area so they can share that with our visitors."

"Attractions in the cave area sell more than 2 million tickets each year," says Vanessa Ulm, Edmonson County Tourism Executive Director and current president of Caveland Marketing Association, the non-profit group that markets the area through Explore Kentucky's Caveland. "Tourists not only

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Community CALENDAR

CANDLELIGHT COMMUNION AT MT. OLIVET
Mt. Olivet Baptist Church will have Candlelight Communion on Thursday, April 2, 2026, at 7:00 pm. The church is located on Cub Run Hwy, three miles west of Munfordville.

3RD ANNUAL EASTER EGG HUNT
The 3rd annual Easter egg hunt will be held 1:00 pm, Saturday, April 4 at the Hart County Veterans Club, 3324 S Dixie Highway, Horse Cave. Free and open to all ages. Bring a bucket. Please bring a non-perishable food item for our free food cabinet.

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Green River Valley Water District is seeking sealed bids for the purchase of Kamstrup Water Meters to support its infrastructure upgrade project. Bids are invited from qualified suppliers to supply and deliver water meters in accordance with the specifications provided.

The company requires approximately 5000 units of the Kamstrup flowIQ 2200 model in the 5/8x3/4" size.

This initiative aims to enhance water usage accuracy, improve operational efficiency, and modernize metering systems. Reducing water loss.

Interested vendors are invited to submit competitive bids detailing product specifications, pricing, delivery timelines, and warranty options.

The bid opening will take place on Thursday April 16th @ 12:00 P.M Central location is 1180 East Main St., Horse Cave KY, 42749. At this time, all bids will be opened and read aloud.

Bids will be evaluated based on, pricing competitiveness, product specifications and compatibility, delivery schedule, and supplier's reputation and reliability.

All bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked "Kamstrup Water Meters Bid" and delivered to: 1180 East Main St., Horse Cave KY (physical address), or mailed to P.O Box 460 Horse Cave KY, 42749.

Green River Valley Water District reserves the right to reject any or all bids, waive irregularities, and accept the bid deemed in the best interest of the organization.

For any questions please call (270) 786-2134. Business hours are Mon-Fri 7:30-4:00 CST

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NEW ROUTES Recommended for Medical Center Emergency Department Access

By Staff Report

BOWLING GREEN — The Medical Center at Bowling Green is advising patients and visitors to use alternate routes to access its Emergency Department due to an upcoming traffic change along the 31W Bypass.

According to a release, the Kentucky Department of Transportation will implement a traffic shift beginning at 8 p.m. on March 25 along the 31W Bypass between Fairview Avenue and Park Street.

The project is expected to cause traffic delays in the area.

In response, Med Center Health is recommending the

following alternate routes to reach the Emergency Department:

•Motorists traveling from Cemetery Road or Fairview Avenue into Bowling Green should remain on Fairview Avenue and use High Street for access.

•Drivers traveling north on the 31W Bypass should turn left onto Fairview Avenue and then use High Street to reach the Emergency Department.

•All other routes to The Medical Center Bowling Green campus will remain unchanged.

The traffic modification is expected to remain in place through the fall of 2027.

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