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Kroger to Close Store in Decatur, Illinois

DECATUR, IL. – August 2, 2018 – Kroger's Central Division announced today the decision to close one of its Decatur stores. Kroger has long monitored operations of the store at 1401 W. King Street, hoping it could return to profitability; however, recent evaluations suggest such improvement is no longer realistic. So, with the lease due to expire, the store will cease operations by the end of this month. The fuel center will also close.

Customers will be able to shop, fill prescription needs and get fuel at the other Kroger stores in the area. Two stores – 3070 N. Water Street and 255 W. 1st Drive – are approximately 3 miles from the King Street store.

Members of the Kroger Human Resources Department will use the remaining weeks to answer questions and help the approximately 95 associates prepare for the transition. The HR team will strive to find other positions for the store associates at the other Decatur Kroger stores.

Company leaders praised the associates, saying the closing is not a reflection on them or their work. The associates have performed extremely well and have been committed to customer service in spite of the business challenges around them. Kroger will continue to count on their dedication through the coming month.



The Kroger family of companies has been serving communities large and small for 135 years. Kroger's Central Division operates food stores, pharmacies and fuel centers primarily in Indiana and Illinois. The Zero Hunger | Zero Waste plan furthers Kroger's commitment to hunger relief, seeking to end hunger in Kroger communities by 2025.