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## **MEDIA ADVISORY**

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## **Aging Infrastructure Contributes to Downtown Street Cave-In**

### *East Main and Hancock streets*

LOUISVILLE, KY—On Wednesday, August 30, a section of roadway at the intersection of Main and Hancock streets caved-in due to a collapsed sewer pipe. MSD crews have secured the area. East Main Street is closed to traffic from Clay to Jackson streets. Hancock Street is closed to traffic from Billy Goat Strut Alley to East Washington Street.

The collapse is due to a failure in a 102-inch concrete sewer pipe that was installed in 1948. Excavation and repairs will begin after the expected rains from Hurricane Harvey end. Repairs are expected to take several weeks.

The entrance to Louisville Slugger Field parking at Main and South Jackson streets remains open.

### **About MSD**

The Louisville/Jefferson County Metropolitan Sewer District (MSD) works to achieve and maintain clean, environmentally safe waterways for a healthy and vibrant community. The organization's more than 600 employees provide wastewater management, drainage and flood protection services across the 376 square miles of Louisville Metro. In addition to operating and maintaining Louisville Metro's sewer system, floodwall system, water quality treatment centers and flood pumping stations, MSD invests in hundreds of infrastructure improvement projects each year, plants more than 1,000 trees and other vegetation annually to enhance water filtration and reduce runoff, and provides numerous outreach programs to inform and educate the community about protecting our waterways.