

Ford

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automaker with 138 recalls as of Dec. 3, according to data from the National Highway Transportation Safety Administration.

Here’s what we know about the newest Ford recalls hitting vehicles manufactured in Kentucky:

List of Ford vehicle recalls issued in November

High Voltage Battery May Short Circuit

Vehicle models impacted: Certain 2020-2024 Ford Escape and 2021-2024 Lincoln Corsair plug-in hybrid vehicles.

Number of vehicles potentially affected: 20,558

This recall may lead to vehicles experiencing battery failure which can cause



The 2025 Ford Escape small SUV. Ford will stop production on this vehicle later this year and sell it through the end of 2026. PROVIDED BY FORD MOTOR CO.

a loss of drive power and could increase the risk of a crash. A battery failure could also increase the risk of a fire. The recall is due to a manufacturing defect in the high voltage battery cells which

could cause the battery to have an internal short circuit and fail.

The remedy for this recall is currently under development and owners are advised to only use “Auto EV” mode. Owners will also receive instructions by mail on how to limit the maximum charge of the battery until a remedy is completed and available. Notification letters were mailed to owners Dec. 1 and additional letters will be sent as a remedy becomes available.

Loss of Vehicle Stability Control and Brake Power Assist

Vehicle models impacted: Certain 2025 Ford Maverick and Escape vehicles.

Number of vehicles potentially affected: 2

This recall covers the electric brake booster which may lead to an overheating and result in a loss of vehicle stability control systems including the anti-lock braking, electronic stability control, and traction control or a loss of

brake power assist.

To remedy this recall, dealers will replace the electric brake booster for free. Owner notification letters were mailed Nov. 28.

What can I do if my Ford vehicle has a recall?

Vehicle owners impacted by the recent Ford recalls should expect to receive communications from the automaker directing next steps.

If owners need extra support navigating the recall process, they can contact the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 or visit nhtsa.gov. Additionally, owners may contact Ford Customer Service at 1-866-436-7332.

Note: All recall data is pulled from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

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Shepherd

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Guess said in a news release. “I’m excited to work together to ensure a smooth transition for our stakeholders and staff.”

A Louisville native, Shepherd has worked throughout the Louisville nonprofit sector in fundraising at places including the Frazier History Museum, Kentucky Performing Arts, and Waterfront Botanical Gardens.

In the decades since, he has led major gift initiatives at Waterfront Botanical Gardens and Kentucky Performing Arts, where he led fundraising efforts for the development of Old Forester’s Paristown Hall. He recently graduated as part of the Leadership Louisville Class of 2025.

“I’m deeply honored to lead FFTA in this role,” Shepherd said in the release. “For many decades, the arts have served as the pulse of our community. Now, more than ever, they play a pivotal role in the cultural and economic vibrancy of our city while also promoting healing, healthy neighborhoods, and youth development. I’m excited to work along-

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side the FFTA staff and board to ensure the arts are supported and thriving throughout our greater community.”

During his tenure, outgoing President Guess developed the “I Am An Artist” campaign and the Arts in Neighborhoods initiative, spearheaded the Cultural Pass app, developed new vision, mission, values and strategies for the Fund for The Arts, and secured a \$750,000 Humana Foundation investment with former Board of Directors Chair Nicole Yates.

The fund has raised more than \$200 million for the Greater Louisville area since it was established in 1949. According to its most recent annual report for fiscal year 2024, Fund for the Arts reported net assets of nearly \$7.8 million and supported 27 area nonprofits with \$2.3 million in sustaining grants, among other financial support and programming.

The Fund for the Arts also recently sold its four-story headquarters at 623 W. Main St., for \$1.45 million to 623 W. Main Lou LLC. Louisvillian Dan Noonan, with 623 W. Main Lou LLC, said in July that he loved the location along Museum Row but didn’t yet have specific plans for the property.

The arts-focused nonprofit called the building home since it was donated in 1989 but in May, cited evolving working patterns as a key reason behind the decision to sell.

Shepherd plans to uphold the fund’s current vision, mission, values, and strategies to help the institution through this transition period, the release states.

“Brett Shepherd brings a proven record of collaborative, visionary leadership to Fund for the Arts, paired with a deep commitment to our mission and a demonstrated ability to drive successful fundraising,” said Fund for the Arts Board Chair Scott Schaftlein. “The Board has full confidence in his ability to guide the organization forward with both strength and heart.”

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Cameron

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just under \$630,000 at the end of September. In October, after those numbers were released publicly, his campaign said they are “confident we will have plenty of resources to win in May from both our campaign and outside conservative groups supporting us.”

In a Dec. 4 statement from the campaign, Hirt said he’s “honored to step into this role and excited for the work ahead.”

“We have a tremendous opportunity to share our message to put America First and win this race,” he said. “I’m grateful for the team’s confidence and ready to hit the ground running to help lead this campaign to victory.”

Each Republican candidate is seeking an endorsement from President Donald Trump, who has not yet weighed in on the race. He backed Cameron in the 2023 gubernatorial primary.

The 2026 U.S. Senate primary will take place on May 19.

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