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Grocery giant opens largest Colorado store in a north metro-area city



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A new 135,500 square foot grocery store and fuel center opened Wednesday, June 24 in a north metro suburb.

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A national grocery giant has opened its largest store in Colorado. King Soopers, a subsidiary of [Kroger Co.](#), opened a 135,500-square-foot location on Wednesday in Louisville.

The store is located at the site of a former Lowe's Home Improvement Store that was recently [purchased by Kroger for \\$22.6 million](#). The location includes a drive-thru pharmacy, dedicated pickup area and a fuel center.

Economic impact projections from Louisville estimate that the location could generate \$997 million in gross sales over the next 12 years.

In 2024, the city approved \$15 million in tax incentives for the store over the same time period. The Louisville projections expect that, after subtracting the tax rebate, it will generate \$22.6 million in sales tax revenue.

"This project has been a vision in the works for many years, and it's incredible to see it come to life," Louisville spokesperson Grace Johnson told The DBJ.

The company [announced the location](#) in September and has invested approximately \$26 million total into the site, according to Johnson. The store plans to have approximately 200 employees, with 150 of them already hired, she said.

The site of the former Lowe's had previously been pitched as a joint venture between developer Koebel Co. and Maryland-based Vitrian to [create a](#)

[biomanufacturing hub](#). The project, according to past DBJ reporting, would have renovated the vacant building into a facility for pharmaceutical work or similar advanced manufacturing.

The Louisville location is the 156th store in Kroger's Colorado market. A [123,000-square-foot King Soopers and fuel center](#) will anchor a 21.8-acre Lone Tree shopping area projected to open in 2027.

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