



Family Dollar closed due to 'heavy rat infestation'

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BALTIMORE (WBFF) - The public is being notified that a Family Dollar store has been shut down by city officials after an inspection revealed a major rat infestation.

Councilman Brandon Scott says the decision to close the store "shows why it was critically important for us to pass legislation that now allows the public to be properly notified."

The Family Dollar on Belair Rd. near Mayfield Ave. was closed by the Baltimore City Health Department on Tuesday. No complaints were made but a routine inspection led officials to discover a "heavy rat infestation" and unsanitary conditions. A poster stating the cause of the closure is required to be posted on the building to inform passersby and shoppers.



In order to reopen, the owner must have a licensed exterminator treat the building and "eliminate all evidence of the infestation." The owner must also attend a conference with an Environmental Health & Safety supervisor.