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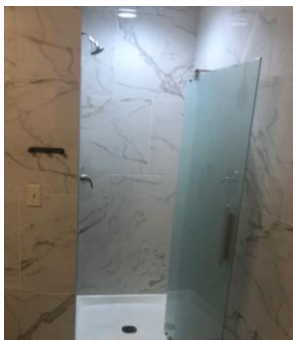
Pride

Perseverance

The Covid-19 pandemic has had a tremendous impact on our campus and community. The people of UK Facilities Management remain the “boots on the ground” for UK, providing the essential services needed to keep our campus safe, secure, and positioned to respond to the evolving crisis. The strength each of you demonstrate daily is inspiring and represents such courage and compassion. We are in this together and we will get through it together. **Thank you for everything you do.** – Mary Vosevich, Vice President for Facilities Management

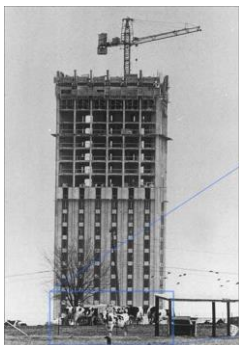


Facilities Information Services has been supporting the UK community as faculty, staff, and students have moved to the new world of remote working, learning and teaching. We are supporting the *Learn, Teach, Work, & Play anywhere* sites (<https://workanywhere.uky.edu/>). We have deployed around ~1,000 devices (tablets & Mifi’s) to support remote needs for covid19 (student center help desk at left). We are also supporting UK’s Esports initiative and the Hoops-at-Home event which allows current students, former students, alumni and the Big Blue Nation to compete against each other in a NBA 2K basketball tournament. FIS is also supporting the transition of Nutter Field house with digital floor plans and site plans to help Healthcare to map their needs.



Getting a jumpstart on summer projects. With student engaged in online and remote instruction for the remainder of the semester, **Facilities Management** is getting a jumpstart on summer project work. **UK Planning, Design, and Construction** typically manages projects below the \$1 million dollar threshold, and/or unique scope projects. One such project, managed by **Jason Murphy**, is the renovation/ upgrades to the bathrooms in the Tri Delta Sorority house. The renovations included new vanities, new showers, plumbing fixtures, lights and tile. This accompanies a capital construction project expansion of the sorority house that happened recently.

Way back Wednesday – A weekly look back at our facilities.

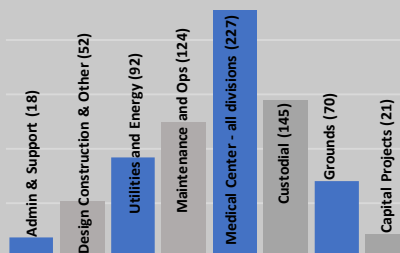


GOT MILK? Construction of the Kirwan and Blanding Dormitory Complex was completed in 1968, with a footprint occupying former agricultural land on University of Kentucky’s South Farm. UK’s dairy herd grazed in the shadow of the construction. The milk was processed into cheese, ice cream and more in the Thomas Poe Cooper Building (Forestry) at the corner of Huguelet and Rose Street. The glass tubes used to move the liquid milk through the building can still be seen in the lower hallway of that building.



Facilities Fact:

There are hundreds of employees in UK’s Facilities Management working on various teams to support the University’s operations and crisis response across more than 20 million square feet of buildings. Hats off to all y’all, it is an honor to serve on this team together. Go Cats.



Share your Stories:

We want to highlight how you and your co-workers are rising to the challenges posed by our current situation. Send story ideas to shane.tedder@uky.edu