

## People

## Purpose

## 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*



With on-campus classes cancelled due to Covid-19, Facilities Management teams are getting a jump start on many projects that would typically be scheduled for the summer. One very unique project that just got underway is an artistic crosswalk between Fine Arts and the Singletary Center on Patterson Drive. Painters and other team members from **Maintenance and Operations** are in the early stages of painting the 3-dimensional set of piano keys. Faculty from the College of Fine Arts proposed the project. UK's Pedestrian Advisory Committee also provided input.



On Wednesday, April 8, Lexington announced that curbside recycling would be suspended for at least 4 weeks beginning Monday, April 13. Thanks to changes they made last summer in response to the city indefinitely suspending curbside paper recycling, **UK Recycling's operations will not be impacted by this shutdown**. The city's decision to suspend curbside recycling starting next week was prompted by an equipment failure and the repairs will be delayed significantly because the manufacturer of the parts is shut down due to the Covid-19 pandemic.



**Thank you, UK Healthcare!** Several of **Facilities Management's** partners, including Gooch Construction who suggested the idea, have organized a parade to support and encourage patients and staff working in UK's Hospitals. The parade will take place on Friday, April 10, and will feature several UK Facilities vehicles and team members, UK Police cruisers, and contractor trucks.



April is typically filled with campus events that celebrate and highlight UK's environmental stewardship. With those events cancelled, **UK Sustainability** and **UK Recycling** partnered to create “50 for 50”, a website and social media campaign with 50 ideas to celebrate 50 years of Earth Day. In the days leading up to Earth Day (April 22), they will use social media to share 50 ideas and actions with the campus community inspired by our natural world and focused on **healing** and **hope**.  
<https://www.uky.edu/sustainability/earth-day-2020>

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## Endangered Species sighting:

**Utilities and Energy Management's** Senior Electrical Engineers Ron Mercer and Moe Barati have been working remotely “for safe keeping” but were spotted on campus Tuesday evening by UEM's **Steven Hughes**, who snapped this shot of the pair of ‘rare birds’ demonstrating proper social distancing and PPE use.

**LET'S FLATTEN THE CURVE.**  
 Take precautions to slow the rate of infection.

