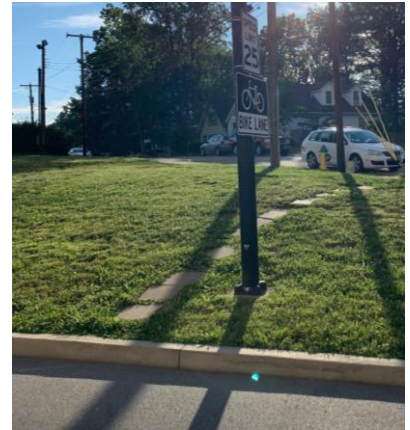


## OUR PEOPLE. ————— OUR STORY.

*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*



**Planning Design and Construction's Scott Hogue and Maureen Dreckman** from FIS have been working with UK Transportation Services and the LFUCG on a new bike and pedestrian connection between Oldham Court and Stadium View Drive near the Woodland Glen residence halls. The connection is already a popular one for our community as you can see from the pictures and this project will make it safer while also allowing our **Grounds team** to repair the turf in this area.



### Faces of Facilities – Stacy Borden, Grounds Manager

Stacy is from Langhorne, PA and moved to Denver when he was 18 to pursue a career in commercial photography. He moved to Lexington in 2004 after spending 10 years in Washington State. Prior to joining the Facilities Management team as our first Senior Arborist in 2016 he was the general manager for a Lexington-based tree care company. In the spring of 2020, following a competitive national search, Stacy was hired to serve as UK's Grounds Manager. He and his wife Blayne will celebrate their 20<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary this fall. Their son Quinton is 17. Regarding the current pandemic and UK's response, Stacy said, *“I have been very impressed by the University's commitment to its employees. Amid historic layoffs and unemployment, we were able to keep our entire team employed.”*

June 22-26 is *Animal Rights Awareness Week*. To celebrate, we are featuring pictures and stories about campus wildlife each day this week. Today's campus animal encounter is one of my all-time favorites. In 2015, a steer escaped from UK's Animal Science program and took a stroll down Cooper Drive. The runaway bovine was eventually lassoed by a member of UK's Rodeo team. **Planning Design and Construction's Monty Ott** is the current head coach and advisor for UK's Rodeo team. All cattle are descended from a wild ancestor called the aurochs. The aurochs were huge animals which originated on the subcontinent of India. Cattle have been domesticated for more than 8000 years.



### **PHOTO FRIDAY: DON'T FORGET to Show off your garden!**

June is also Fresh Fruits and Vegetable month, so let's show off our home gardens. Much like the Victory Garden movement during WWII, home gardening has been an important coping hobby for many of us during these unprecedented and challenging times. Submit photos of your home garden to [shane.tedder@uky.edu](mailto:shane.tedder@uky.edu) by the end of the day on Thursday for our Photo Friday Collage.