

# Facilities Services Weekly

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## Departmental Zoom Meeting Postponed to 4/13

Our monthly departmental Zoom meeting has been postponed to April 13th at 4pm. A Zoom link will be sent out next week.

## Upcoming Retirement Parties

Leo Pedigo will be retiring April 28, 2023. His breakfast reception will be Thursday, April 27, 2023 at 8am in Facilities Services conference rooms 101/102.

## Upcoming Facilities Fundamentals Workshop: Home Organization

Mark your calendars and plan to join us on Thursday, April 13 at 12pm for our Spring 2023 virtual workshop – Facilities Fundamentals: Home Organization. Construction Services' own Greta Buckman will be sharing tips and tricks for home organization. A link will be sent out to registrants the week of the workshop. Click [here](#) to register today!

## Helpful Hints from the Haberdasher

Please familiarize yourself with the Helpful Hints from the Haberdasher sheet. It provides valuable information on: 1) How to get your uniforms to follow you to your new work location on campus 2) get new sizes and 3) How to return your uniforms when leaving UT.

If you don't have a copy of the Helpful Hints, just email me at [TheHaberdasher@utk.edu](mailto:TheHaberdasher@utk.edu) and I will be glad to send you a copy, or stop by my desk (at FSC upper lever, 2nd row from the windows). I have several copies clipped to the divider at the corner of my desk on the aisle way – help yourself to one.

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## BUILDING Services

- A+A: Ran auto scrubber on floors 1-4, swept and mopped main stars, dusted window seals, cleaned carpet in Room 223
- Clarence Brown Theatre: ran the auto scrubber in the main lobby area, swept and mopped stairwells, and blew the leaves at the entrances
- Music: Dust mopped floors 1-3 and ran the auto scrubber on all floors
- Elevators and stairwells were cleaned at Jesse Harris
- Auto scrubber was run on floors at Law and Strong Hall
- We helped out with a flood at the Conference Center
- Stairs at Mossman were vacuumed and mopped
- Restrooms at Blount Hall were detailed
- We spent time with new employees
- Student Union: The catering corridor on the second floor was scrubbed. Dusting on G2. After detail cleaning the T360 spraying occurred in these areas: 371E, 371D, 371F, 371H, 371G, 383D, 383H, 383I, 383J, 383K, 383L, 383M, 383N,

383F, 367, 362A, 362B, 362C, 360, 377A, 376B, 373, 373B, 373D, 373E, 373A, and the seating area on third floor. Scrubbed the floors outside the doors of dining in phase 2 and L1 due to grease tracks. Detail cleaning in 376B and B1. Used the low speed on 199A to remove grease. Tested a new product on the LVT in Vol Snack shop. Spot cleaning carpets in event rooms as needed. G1 phase 2 was auto scrubbed.

## OPERATIONS & LANDSCAPE

### Landscape Services:

- SEC Landscape Conference: The Landscape Services Management Team are attending this 2nd annual conference.
- CDL Driver Training and Licensing: Alexander McConnell is attending a four week course which includes course instruction, on-road training, and licensing test.

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## LANDSCAPE CONTINUED:

- Military War Dog Memorial: Landscape irrigation and planting renovation in preparation for the 25th anniversary celebration in July.
- Urban Forest Master Plan (City of Knoxville): On-going collaboration with the city during plan development and providing support for upcoming presentation and input forum on campus for students, faculty, and staff.
- Morgan Hall: Reduction pruning in preparation of scaffolding installation associated with a roof repairs, window replacement, and brick tuck-pointing project (cont)
- Hops Yard Research Project Support: Start installation for 80 utility poles and cabling structure for UT Agriculture in preparation for a long-term research project (cont)
- College of Law Landscape Renovation: Order materials and schedule installation work for April (cont)
- Carrick Hall: Plan for surface repairs following the excavation support for steam and condensate repairs (cont)
- Sorority Village: Plan for surface repairs following the excavation support for two geothermal repairs (cont)
- McCord Hall: Plan for surface repairs following the excavation support for new sanitary sewer connection (cont)
- Neyland Drive Campus Entrances: Demolition and installation of landscape renovations. (cont)
- Sidewalk project between G-16 and Haslam Practice Field: Installation of decorative stone. (cont)
- Providing annual team member performance evaluations (cont)
- Vet Med Addition: Participate in the final irrigation and landscape punch list walk with the designer and contractor (cont)
- Landscape bed cleanup and pruning back ornamental grasses in preparation for mulch install (cont)
- Landscape Academy: New series of refreshed training for all team members (cont)
- Sorority Village: Restore event lawn following repair of leaking geothermal system (cont)
- Irrigation Systems: GPS locate all underground valves, meters, and components. (cont)
- Blanket Landscape Installation Contract: Work with UT Procurement on bid package (cont)

- TREC: Provide excavation support to the Plumbing team for repair of steam condensate leak (cont)
- Ayres Hill ADA staircases: Coordinate with FS Design on landscape plan for new staircases (cont.)
- Recruiting to fill vacant positions

## Rapid Response Team:

- Events: Mossman, Vet School, Student Union Ballroom, Phi Delta Beta Fraternity, Neyland Stadium Lauricella Center, Nielsen Physics, Delta Gamma Sorority, Student Union Plaza, Art & Architecture Atrium, Alumni Memorial Building, Zeanah Engineering Building, Strong Hall, Circle Park.
- Lab Equipment Relocation: SERF, McCord Hall, Plant Biotech(2), Austin Peay.
- Office Moves: NEB(3), UT Drive Building C & A, Temple Hall, Andy Holt Tower(2), Henson Hall, Dougherty Engineering, Bailey Education Complex, Art & Architecture, Student Union Phase II, Buehler, Howard Baker Center, Claxton Education, Ferris Hall, Cherokee Mills, Conference Center Building, Middlebrook Building, Tickle Building, Greve Hall.
- Banners/Miscellaneous: Banner maintenance across campus, Assisted Arena with moving for concert preparations.

## Sanitation Safety:

- Completed pest control requests

## **ZONE MAINTENANCE**

### Zone 1:

- Staying caught up on work orders.
- Got chillers cleaned in zone 1.
- Getting extra units ordered for Stokely hall.

### Zone 2:

- Answering calls
- Doing P/M's
- Unlocking doors
- Cleaning cooling towers
- Spring cleaning

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## ZONE MAINTENANCE CONTINUED:

- Replaced chemical pump for H.P.E.R pool
- Patching Bull pond liner at Humanities
- Changed air filters at Student Services and Andy Holt Tower

### Zone 3:

- Zone 3 is working on roof repairs at Hoskins Library

### Zone 4:

- Repaired doors in the Student Union Phase II
- Repaired a grill at Anderson Training
- Cleaned AC coils at Stokely and TBA
- Repaired a steam kettle at Rocky Top Dining
- Connected and started a new fryer at the Cumberland Ave. Food Court

### Zone 5:

- Neyland Stadium: checked and made repairs as needed and worked on replacing broken water lines on 1st floor east
- Allan Jones Aquatic: checked and adjusted chemicals in pools
- Football Complex: checked and adjusted chemicals in pools
- Sherri Parker Lee Stadium: worked on stadium check and repairs after Texas and a head of the Tennessee Invitational
- Lindsey Nelson Stadium: Checked and made repairs after LSU and ahead of Florida
- Goodfriend Tennis: made repairs after Mississippi and ahead of Florida
- All throughout zone General building maintenance.

### Zone 6:

- No new report

### Zone 7:

- Daily building checks
- Replacing AHU 5 belts
- Cleaning coils

### Zone 8:

- We have been working on exterior lighting at the Plant Biotech building.
- Our One-Call team has been busy recently with every type of call you can imagine.
- We are upgrading the lighting in the stairwells at the Plant Biotech building.

- We are replacing outlets in Greenhouse 14 to upgrade to new GFCI outlets.
- We are working on exterior lighting at the CRC Material Science and Environment & Landscape buildings.

### Zone 9:

- We have been changing filters at the Middlebrook building.
- Our weekly Archibus work requests will be an area of focus this week.
- We have been assembling stand up desks at the 1525 University Avenue building.
- We are working to prepare the small block building at the Middlebrook building for EHS radiations safety.

### ZM Specialties:

- Cleaned security cameras at Min Kao, Ferris Hall, Nielsen Physics
- Installed and repaired door operators at Vet Med Center
- Attended scaffolding training
- Checking air pressures at UTIAMM
- Working with AC Controls on air temps at Zeanah POD store
- Transported lifts to various campus locations
- Edited and rescheduled annual emergency garage lighting inspection PM
- Corrected pressure vessel and boiler data for zone 2, 3, and fraternities
- Added equipment data to Strong Hall for TCO project
- Scrubbing equipment data for migration to Oracle

### Lock & Key Services:

- Hoskins Library – rekey locks
- Thompson Boling Arena – assist w/ lock changes
- Alpha Gamma Rho – repair locks
- Multiple Buildings – core setups for project
- Veterinary Hospital – change out deadbolt lock
- Zeanah Engr. – Lock in/latch not retracting
- Nursing Education – change codes on doors
- Walter's Academic – lock changes for Department move
- On Campus – assisting as needed
- University Housing – many recores and repairs

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### UT Office of Sustainability/Recycling:

#### Weekly Recycling Totals:

- Bottles/Cans: 3,360 lbs.
- Paper: 0 lbs.
- Cardboard: 0 lbs.
- Total: 3,360 lbs.

#### Fiscal Year Recycling Totals:

- Bottles/Cans: 164,857 lbs./ 83.93 tons
- Paper: 300,820 lbs. /150.41 tons
- Cardboard: 184,620 lbs./92.31 tons
- Pallets: 159,972 lbs./79.99 tons
- Electronics: 5,893 lbs./2.95 tons
- Batteries: 1,978 lbs./0.99 tons
- Plastic Film: 2,242 lbs./1.12 tons
- Scrap Metal: 102, 685 lbs./51.34 tons
- Yearly Total: 926,066 lbs./ 463.03 tons

- The Environmental Leadership Awards were held on Monday. Jaimie Armitage won the Student Academic Leadership Award. Chris Cimino won the John Nolt Lifetime Achievement Award.
- Big thanks to the grounds crew, who helped our staff move 170 yards of compost to ETREC for Jaimie Armitage and Garrett Ferry's Living Shoreline Project
- Softball totals from last week: 215lbs of compost, 424lbs of singlestream, 500 lbs of cardboard, and 275lbs of trash for an 80.5% diversion rate

## COMMUNICATIONS & INFO SERVICES

### Communications & Public Relations:

- Send any photos of your work team that you'd like to see featured on FS social media directly to Sam at sjones80@utk.edu or 865-771-1531
- The electronic employee comment box can be found at [tiny.utk.edu/fscommentbox](http://tiny.utk.edu/fscommentbox).

### Employee Training & Development:

#### Upcoming Training

- Aerial Lift Training - FSC 101/Concord - Thursday, April 13 from 8a-12p - to attend this training, email Troy Soumeillan at troy@utk.edu. Please ensure you bring your harness to the training session as it is required for hands-on participation.

- Forklift Assessments - Central Supply Warehouse - Thursday, April 20 - You must complete the K@TE training program "Forklift Safety Awareness 2023" prior to attending the assessment. To schedule an assessment, reach out to Troy Soumeillan at troy@utk.edu.
- Stop the Bleed - FSC 101 - Tuesday, April 25 - During a crisis, no matter how quickly professional emergency responders arrive, bystanders will always be first on the scene. This class will teach you how to take simple actions immediately to help save a life. This public education course is part lecture and part hands-on skills training. Email FSTraining@utk.edu to get signed up for this class. Times will be announced when we have an idea of how many participants are signed up.
- Stride for Staff - Thursday, April 20, 9:00 – 10:30 - Register for this event on K@TE.
- APPA has already started a great list of webinars available to all of us for free! Take a look at the list of available learning opportunities at the link [here](#). Register now for those that are in a topic area that interests you. If you have your CEFP, AIA, or any other professional certification, register for these webinars to work on your continuing education credits. Bookmark the link above to check in throughout the year for additional learning opportunities.
- Design Your Life! – This program offers you an opportunity to connect the dots between who you are, what you believe, and what you do to construct a story of meaning and purpose that encompasses your life and career. This process will help you understand why you do what you do, and more importantly, why it matters. To express interest in registering for this course, please contact Rebecca Alcorn at ralcorn@utk.edu.

#### Training News:

- **Training Calendar is available online!** Visit <https://fs.utk.edu/comminfo/training/> to view upcoming training dates, times and information throughout the year. The calendar is located below the "Login for online training" link. Check back often as new events and opportunities are added often!

#### Information Technology:

- Looking for an update or information on the DASH implementation process? Visit <https://liveutk.sharepoint.com/sites/DASHProgram> to learn more!

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## UTILITIES CONTINUED:

- Check systems after weekend power outage.
- Setup new Copy/Print/Scan machines in HR, Design and Admin Services
- Setup New Employees
- Finished 2023 Inventory
- Conference Room Assistance
- Adobe reinstallations
- Phone Replacement and Migration
- New Computer Setups
- Phishing email assistance (Good Job Everyone!)
- At Alpha Delta Pi we restarted 5 units.
- Repaired the unit and got AC going at the Police Department
- Rebuilt pumps and fans for the cooling tower at the Hesler Chiller building.
- started the prep for the orange and white game at Neyland

## Electrical Services:

- Marking and logging in Tennessee one call (1-811's) for the Campus
- Neyland Stadium remodels. Met with Massey Electric for a safety meeting. Then checked the area to make sure the construction site was clear and all was good. Closed out the fuse cut-outs in the Frankenstein room. Suited up and turned on the main switch on the 2400 gear in the steel that feeds the cut-outs in the room. Then tested the three transformers in the room. All was good power was restored.
- Lindsey Nelson Baseball there was an issue with the toilet trailer power extend cords being too heavy to stay plugged in; I Ordered materials to resolve the problem.
- Facilities complex flag pole lights need to be replaced so we put in an order after receiving quotes.
- Tom Black Track set up 1 spider box and 5 cords for an event from 4/6 through 4/8. Was on site to set up a test and troubleshoot issues with the correct voltage at the spider box. It was a bad cord. Stowers is bringing a replacement.
- Replaced 2 bad batteries in the H.V. Line truck.
- Hooked up wire from ground rod to generator and turned on for the event at Tom Black Track. Returned later to turn in off after the event.
- Lindsey Nelson Baseball made the changes to the cords for the toilet trailer. Worked the event.
- Checked the trouble on the panel at the student union.
- T.B.A checked the panel trouble.
- Checked out and reset the fire alarm at Rocky Top Dining.
- Checked and reset the alarm from the smoke detector on the 1st floor at 1828 Frat Park
- UT boat house reported trouble on the panel it was clear on arrival.
- Dunford Hall trouble with a dirty smoke head. We changed the head.

## UTILITIES SERVICES

### A/C Services:

- Adjusted VFD at Taylor Law.
- Verified Controls on AHU SEA 1 at Walters Life.
- Replaced the alarm board on the walk-in cooler at Mossman.
- Found faulty VFD on AHU 5 at Hodges.
- Verified operations on AHU 16 at Student Union.
- Reset pump at Dougherty Engineering.
- Replaced battery at Neyland Stadium NAE South
- Unwired control wiring for VFD on AHU 5 at Hodges.
- Replaced a Faulty transducer for a heating valve for the pool at HPER.
- Adjusted Hot Deck/ cool Deck dampers on AHU at Student Services.
- Began troubleshooting heating issues at West Stadium.
- Changed Ferris over to summer mode.
- Adjusted the hot deck controller at Student Services.
- Rewired new VFD on AHU 5 at Hodges Library.
- Reset controllers on AHU 2, 4, and 6 at West Skyboxes.
- Reset NAE1 for Pratt.
- Reworked one racking system to get coolers up and running at Rocky Top dining
- Repaired chill waters unit in dining@ McCord Hall
- Replaced freezer @ McCord Hall
- Worked on VRF System and ordered parts for Henson Hall.
- Conference Center – Got the building AC up and running. Repaired the 4th-floor Chill water coil and got the unit back up and running.
- Changed from Winter to Summer Mode at Ferris Hall.
- Got the system back up and running @ Andy Tower

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- 1610 University Ave. Reported the lighting globe was leaning. We fixed the globe.
- There was a globe that was leaning at Stokely Hall we went and got it straightened back out.
- Magnolia Dorm reported a globe was leaning. We Straightened it out along with the extension arm and got it all to tighten up as well.
- There was an overcurrent issue on the fire panel at Robinson Hall it was cleared and reset.
- Rocky top dining has a fire panel trouble on an sv in the cooler no answer.
- Replaced fire Alarm display at the main desk at Laurel Apts.
- Alpha Chi Omega assisted Simplex in getting the fire Alarm system back to 100% after storm Elliott.
- Assisted MASCO in repairs in the fire pump room at Laurel Apts.
- Panhellenic steam set off the Fire alarm system and damaged the panel.
- Disabled and enabled fire alarms for contractors at Dabney.
- Assisted Simplex in repairs on the fire panel at Panhellenic.
- At the Vet school disabled and enabled smoke detectors and duct detectors in the penthouse.
- Troubleshooting and repair of Emergency Power Outlet for -80 Freezer vat Hesler Biology Room 331
- Monthly Meter Readings
- Troubleshooting and repair Solar Panels at the 11th Street Garage top level
- Troubleshooting and repair of partial building power loss at Rocky Top Dining Facility
- Repair of existing raceway and wiring for Hesler Biology Cooling Tower
- Installation of new Variable Frequency drive at Hodges Library Penthouse P2
- Responded to an electrical raceway damaged by the contractor at Thompson-Boling Arena
- Troubleshooting and repair of Main Breaker Tripped at Rocky Top Dining Hall
- Troubleshooting and repair of emergency power loss at Neyland Stadium
- Repair of existing raceway and wiring for Hesler Biology

## Cooling Tower

- Mossman Engineering Building Duct Heater Upgrade Project Installation of Raceway
- Pre-scheduled Outage Meetings with Shoffner for Bailey Education Switch Gear Replacement Outage
- Preparation for scheduled emergency power outage at Thompson-Boling Arena
- Troubleshooting and repair of Variable Frequency Drive at Hodges Library
- Repair of existing raceway and wiring for Hesler Biology Cooling Tower
- Repair of Solar Panels on the roof of the 11th Street Garage
- Mossman Engineering Building Duct Heater Upgrade Installation Project
- Troubleshooting and repair of emergency power loss at Neyland Stadium

## Plumbing Shop:

- Pump steam vaults on campus
- Fixed a leak in the Student Union by Steak and Shake
- Fixed a plastic nipple on a toilet in Clarence Brown Theatre.
- Fixed a shower drain that was leaking at Clement Hall rm 733.
- Replaced a bottle filler.
- Bio System Engineering 1st floor there was a toilet leaking.
- Replaced a mixing valve in the machine room at the Kappa Delta Sorority
- There was a drain stopped up in room 467 of Geier Hall.
- Did the Tennessee 1-800 locates
- Health, Physical education, and recreation area fixed a leak in the main water line in the pool mechanical room.
- Repaired steam leak in the vault at the Panhellenic building.
- Repaired pressure relief Valve at Panhellenic building.
- Repaired steam leak in the vault at law college.
- Repaired steam leak in Student Union.
- Repaired steam leak at JARTU.
- Repaired steam leak at Vet School.
- Welded sign for Parking services.

## Steam Plant:

- Filled fuel tank on 2MW Generator
- Replaced 1 1/2" Valve on dealkalizer

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- Laid out pad for supports for oil cooler platform
- Cleaned out gas compressor shed.
- Test ran the 2MW Generator.
- Replaced gaskets in 6in flow meter
- Cleaned oil coolers on #4 boiler.
- Level Transmitter oil transmitter downloaded software
- Precision digital & chem pump controls training
- Meetings with Yokogawa and carotek
- Yokogawa Training
- Oil tanks 1&2 level transmitters control.
- Dabney Buehler: Replace fume hoods in 408, 507, 508, 607, 608; Install dishwasher 302
- Dougherty Engineering: Paint and carpet 423; Carpet 434, 435
- Early Learning Center: Work on White Ave. playground; Hang magnetic boards for playground; 2010 Lake Ave.-hang a TV and assist with furniture removal;
- Equity and Diversity: Install a ramp
- Facilities Services: Reinstall wind turbine; Add grill in supply duct equipment 101; Stabilize marble on Office Building; Tint 4 windows in Central Supply warehouse
- G-13 Garage: Install counting system
- Glazer Building: Renovation for classroom
- HPER: Fire Alarm paging; Paint and repairs B025A; Paint and carpet 119
- Haslam Business Building: Switch access controls to UTPD server
- Hesler Biology: Electric work 114; Additional room exhaust 544; Rework HVAC and add mini split 234; renovate 104 and 105 for labs
- HPER: Install concrete pit 135E; Paint and floor repair B025A; Paint 335, 347, 338
- Hodges Library: Voice transmittal over Fire Alarm; Replace 6 light fixtures in Special Collections; Ceiling and light work in Comm. Closet; Cubicles near One Stop; Renovate suites on 1st and 6th floors; Assist with installation of people counters at Melrose entry
- Humanities and Social Sciences: New office and other renovations in Reading Center
- Kingston Pike Building: Paint and carpet majority of building
- Lindsey Nelson Stadium: Electric and fire suppression 208
- McClung Museum: Paint and floor work in Egypt gallery
- McCord Hall: Renovate 109
- Middlebrook Building: Renovate offices on 1st floor, front of building; Move Emergency Management to 218
- Morgan Hall: Paint 104 and 308F; Paint, carpet, lighting and blinds Suite 225; Paint and electric 121; Paint and carpet 308B
- Neyland Stadium: Structural inspection and repairs Gate 22
- Panhellenic Building: POCA Renovations
- Pendergrass Library: New entry doors
- Phi Delta Theta: Install new flood lights
- Pi Kappa Alpha: Renovate bathrooms

## CONSTRUCTION SERVICES

- Alpha Delta Pi: Renovate 1st floor restroom
- Anderson Training: Utilities for new steam oven Smokey's kitchen
- Art and Architecture: Renovate 455; Paint and ceiling work 231; Paint 223
- Ayers Hall: New work station 313
- Bailey Education: Electric A232; Paint and carpet A227; Paint and carpet several rooms on 3rd floor; Paint and carpet 413, 419, 420, A218
- Baker Center: New offices on 3rd floor
- Bass Building/Body Farm: Replace storage shed
- Biosystems Office Building: Wiring for cubicles
- Burchfiel Geography: Divide 402 and 403 into smaller rooms
- Business Incubator: Paint 207
- Campus: Refurbish outdoor basketball courts behind Fraternities; VFI winners 2022; Trash and recycling pads on Lake Ave.; Aramark assistance at several locations; Water meters for cooling water make-up; Sculpture Maintenance; New sidewalk between Vol Parking Garage and Anderson Practice
- Claxton Building: Paint 342; Remove Cabinets and door-patch and paint 425; Move 4th floor furnishings; Paint A525
- Communications: Paint 292, 333, 432A, 432C, 432D and 434
- Conference Center Building: Move State Comptroller 307; Paint and carpet 4th floor; Renovate Suite 313; Redesign suite 309; Paint 308B

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- Plant Biotech: Reroute sewer line; Replace grow lights 321
- Plant Science Unit (Alcoa Highway): Guardrail and ditch work on new road; Install poles for hops yard
- Presidential Court: Renovation for University Printing and Mail
- SERF: Utility work and drains for polisher in 309; Renovations for 106 and 108
- Sigma Chi Fraternity: Replace window and add bottle filler; Replace HVAC system
- Sigma Kappa Sorority: Replace carpet in library
- Sorority Village: Add card reader to gate
- South and East Stadium: Repair pedestrian bridge
- South College: Paint and flooring 101 and 101A
- Steam Plant: Gates and bollards
- Stokely Hall: Digital signage for cafe
- Strong Hall: Lab renovation in 720F; Add ventilation to equipment 324
- Student Aquatic Center: Convert 102B into an office
- Student Health: Renovate 288A and 288B for offices; Fire Alarm paging
- Student Rec: Remove wall between studio 8 and 10
- Student Services: Paint 201L, 401F, 401G, 401H; Renovate Suite 413; Adding light dimming 209
- Student Union: Painting in Suite 383; Hold open closers on 2 connector doors; Move Big Orange Pantry to Smokey's Closet; Remove panic buttons 383; Digital signage for deli; Raceway for Vol Shop data outside lower entrance; Paint 193R
- Thompson-Boling Arena: digital signage Arena Cafe
- UT Warehouse: Make 2 offices into 1 large office 123/106
- Volunteer Hall: Paint stairways
- Volunteer Parking Garage: Repair block at water line repair
- Walters Academic: New work station A303
- Zeanah Engineering: Additional electric work in wood and metal shops; Electric and lab exhaust 402; Move lab from SERF 108 to 517; Add a door to 210B; Electric work in G112; Exhaust work in 237
- Zeta Tau Alpha: Paint bathroom; Replace some indoor lights; Interior painting
- 1610 University Ave.: Hold open on corridor door
- 1817 Melrose Av.: Install a door between 101 and 102
- 2023 Classroom Upgrades: Renovate several classrooms on campus
- 22nd Street Duplex: Make restroom accessible

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## FACILITIES SERVICES

### Employee Comment Box Locations:

- Facilities Services Complex Break Room & Shop Area
- Steam Plant (near time clock)
- Steam Plant Hill (Landscape Supply Room)
- Hodges Library 1st Floor Service Hallway
- SERF Outside of Room 426
- The electronic employee comment box can be found at [tiny.utk.edu/fscommentbox](https://tiny.utk.edu/fscommentbox).



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## COMMENT BOX RESPONSES:

**COMMENT:** [https://www.utdailybeacon.com/opinion/letters\\_to\\_editor/letter-to-the-editor-lack-of-awareness-worsens-campus-accessibility/article\\_21e509dc-c8fb-11ed-b3db-dbef66c19af5.html](https://www.utdailybeacon.com/opinion/letters_to_editor/letter-to-the-editor-lack-of-awareness-worsens-campus-accessibility/article_21e509dc-c8fb-11ed-b3db-dbef66c19af5.html)

Anything FS can do to aid in accessibility of ramps for mobility device users?

**RESPONSE:** Facilities Services works to correct issues that affect building and facility accessibility. We also take considerable care in the review of new building design and existing building renovation design to ensure that building accessibility is included. Unfortunately, given when the majority of our buildings were constructed, there may be a number of existing issues that we are not aware of. Since we do not possess the expertise to identify all of these issues, we depend upon groups such as the Student Disability Services to help in the identification of them. Once identified, we do what we can to correct them as soon as possible. To the comments noted in the linked article, Roger McDonald has reached out to author of the Letter to the Editor and will be coordinating with Jason Cottrell's landscape services team to address the issues. Thanks for your interest in campus accessibility!

All other comments have been passed along for response. Please remain patient as they are addressed.