

2021-2022

SGA Safety Walk Report



**STUDENT GOVERNMENT
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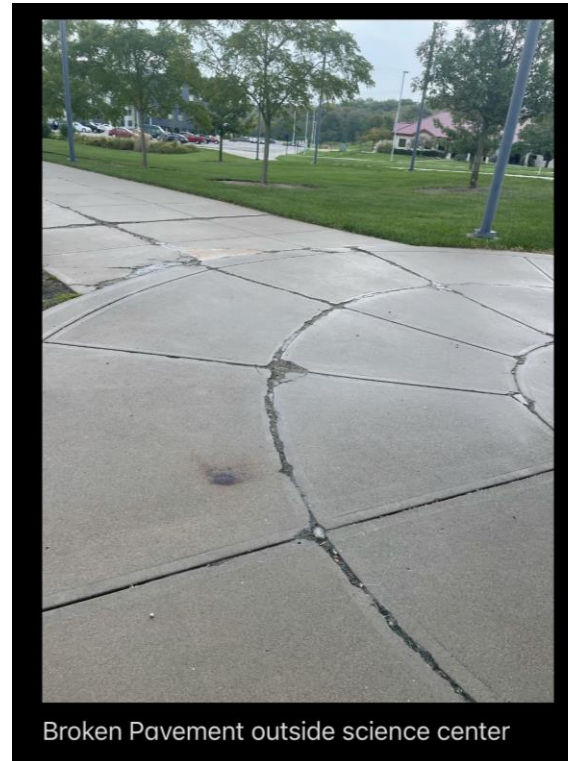
FRANK STEELY LIBRARY

Science Center

While walking through the Science Center, our participants determined the building is in good condition minus a few details.

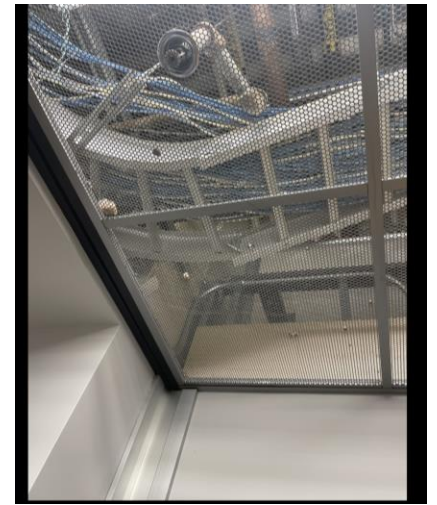
Exterior Issues

While walking outside we noticed cracks in the pavement and an unhinged rail. We believe these should be addressed because they are accessibility issues, and we believe NKU should be doing everything in its power to be an accessible campus.



Minor Issues

We also noticed these minor issues regarding missing water fountains, dirty ceiling areas, and the bottom of a locker being broken.



Landrum Hall

While walking through Landrum,
our participants found a few issues
that we believe should be
addressed.



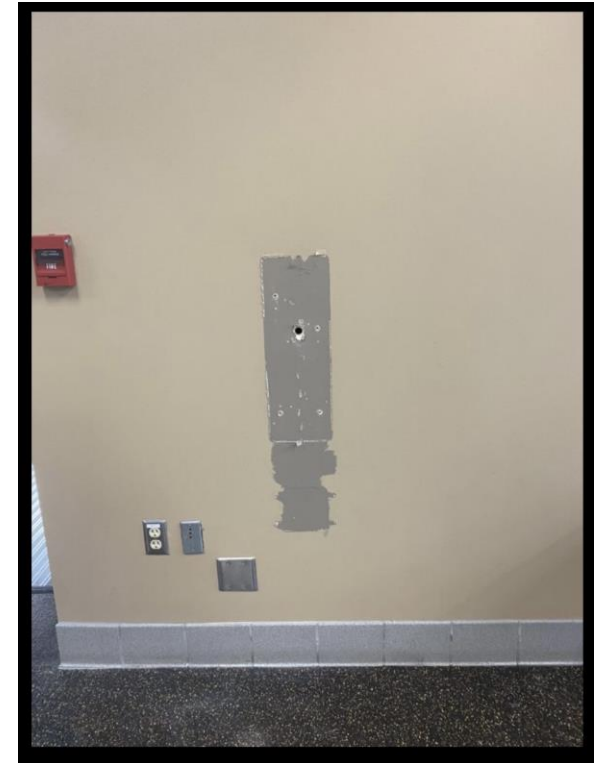
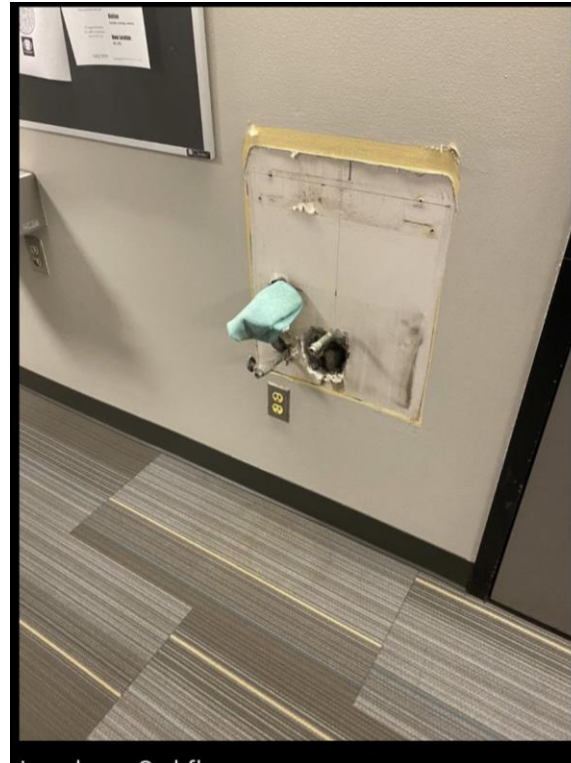
Water Damage

We believe the university should take steps to fix these issues within Landrum as soon as possible, as water damage creates not only a safety issue, but a health issue as well.



Water Fountains

Like the Science Center, our participants found issues regarding missing refill stations and water fountains.



Ceiling and Walls

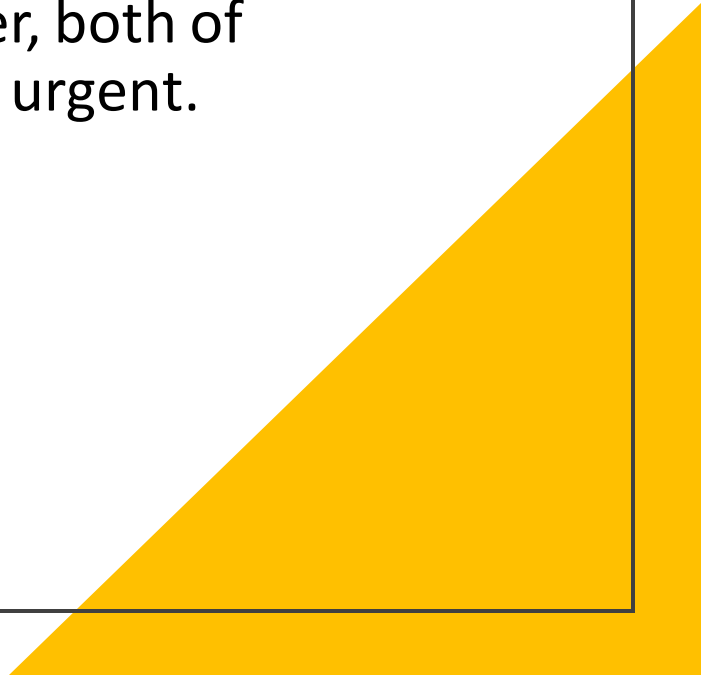
We also noticed these issues such as missing ceiling tiles, as well as holes in the walls and ceiling.



Fine Arts Center



We believe there are two key issues within the Fine Arts Center, both of which we also believe are urgent.



Elevators

On our concern form, 75% of our complaints regarding elevators were regarding the Norse Elevator located next to Greaves Hall. During a ride on it, our participants determined it a safety hazard and numerous students and some faculty even expressed concern during the walk. In addition, the elevator located next to the Corbett Theatre is the only one with access to the 4th floor and has been closed since the start of Fall 2021. These issues should be addressed promptly.

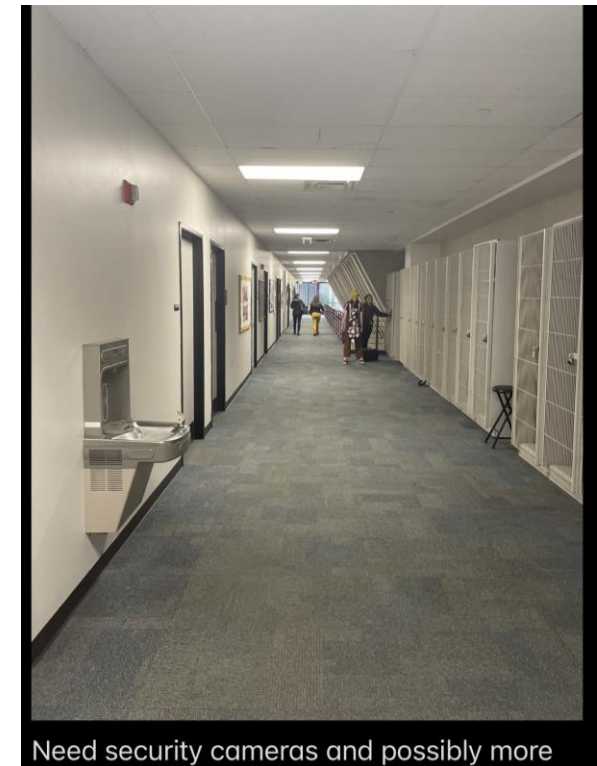
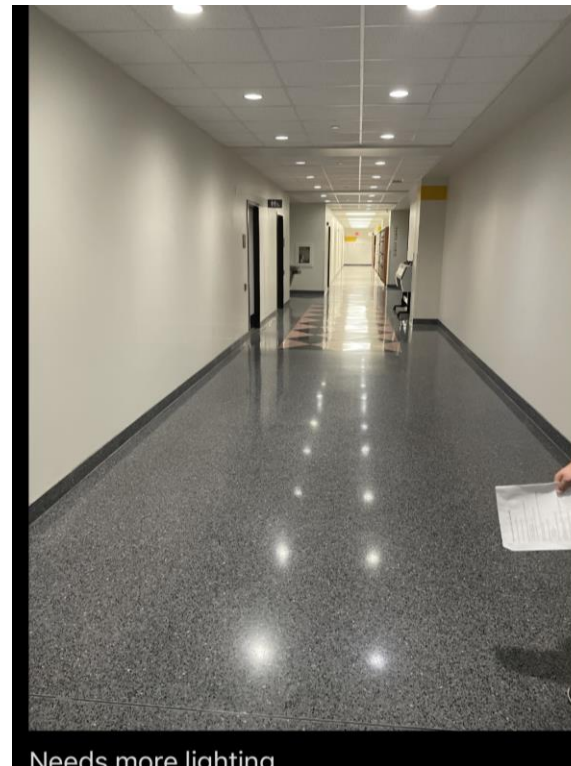
Water Damage

Like Landrum, we found many water damage issues within the Fine Arts Center, with one even appearing to grow mold. This should be addressed as soon as possible.



Lighting

We also noticed certain halls in the Fine Arts Center lacked lighting, making a potentially dangerous situation as this building is open past 11 PM with students often practicing late.



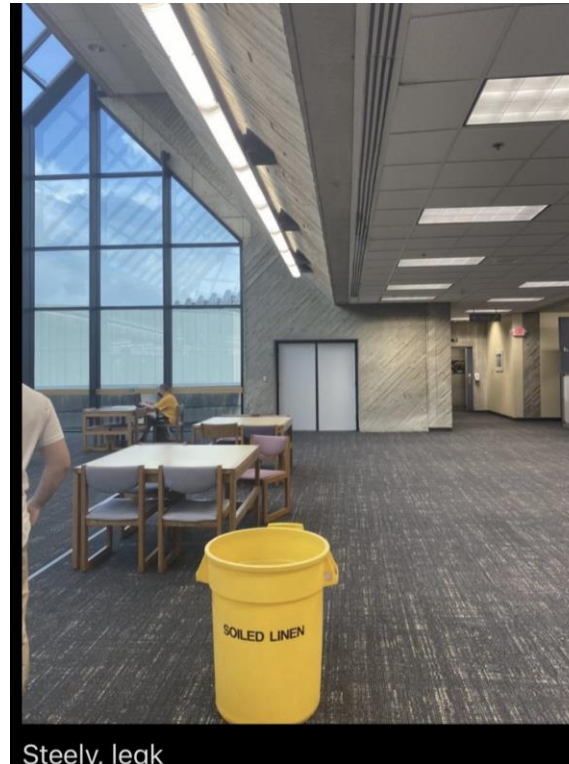
Steely Library

We found a few issues within Steely,
but we believe other than these
issues the building is in good
condition.

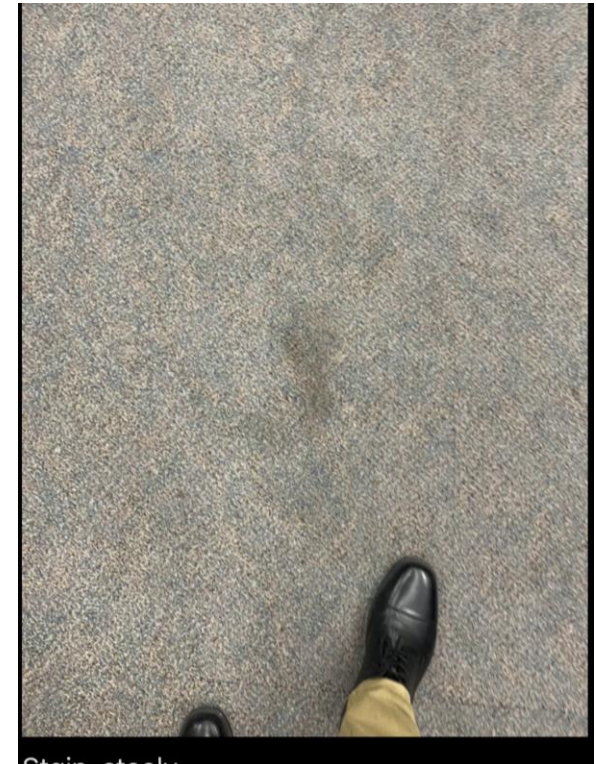


Water Damage

We noticed a couple areas with leaks that should be addressed.



Steely, leak



Stein, steely

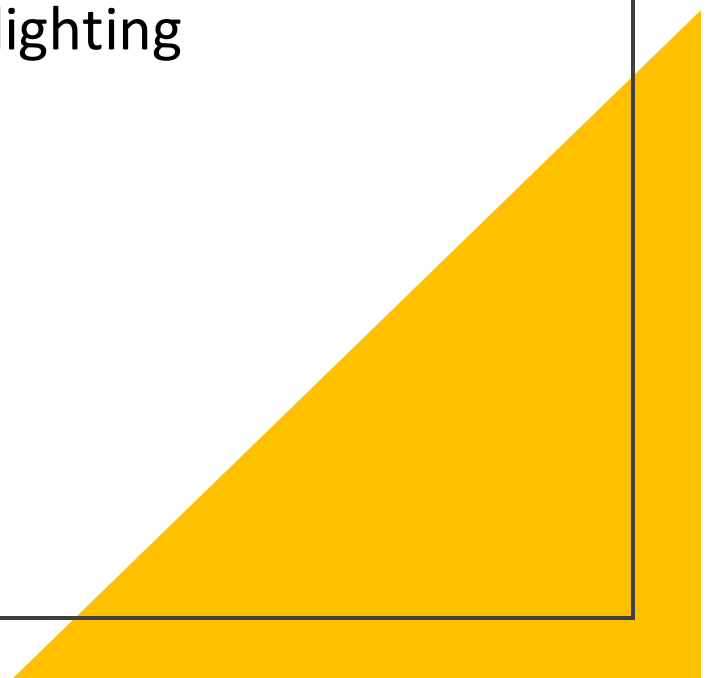
Exterior Concrete

We believe this issue should be addressed as this can pose an accessibility risk.



Math, Education, and Psychology Building

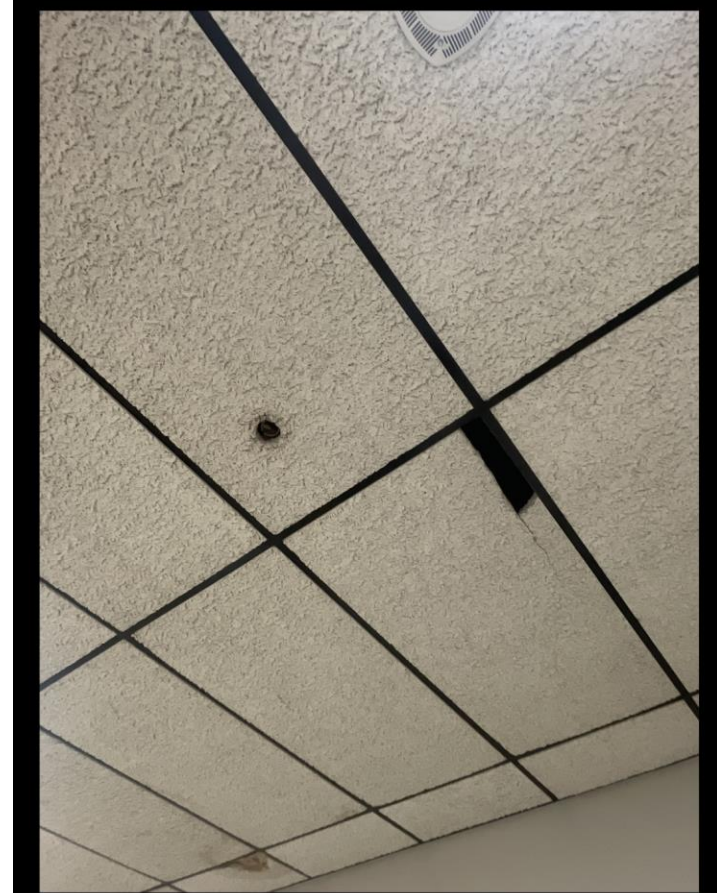
We found a few concerns in this building, mainly stairway lighting and ceiling/wall damage.



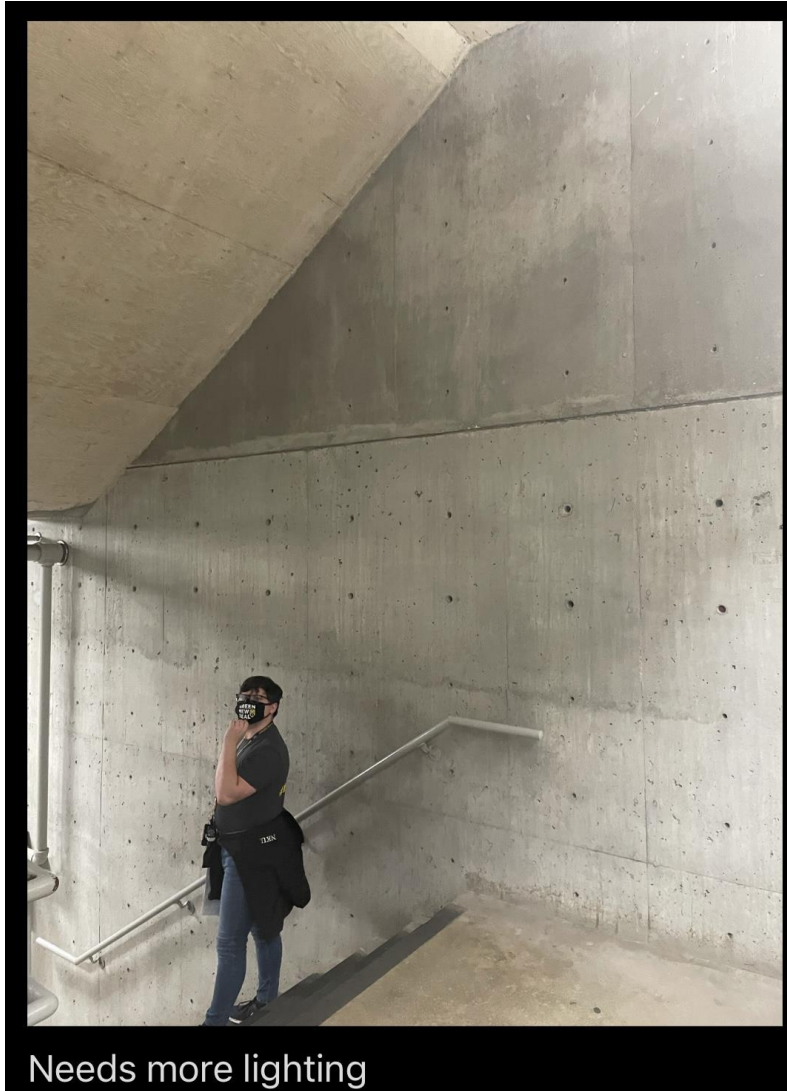
Ceiling/Wall Damage



Peeling wallpaper around electrical socket,
MEP building auditorium



Broken ceiling tile, floor 3, MEP



Needs more lighting

Lighting
Issue



Ponding, welcome center garage



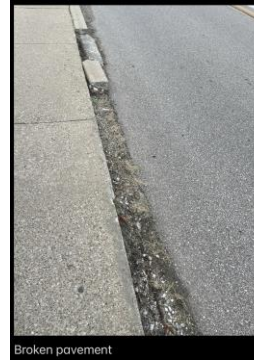
Drain issue, welcome center garage

Welcome Center

We found issues with a pothole and ponding inside the parking garage exit.

Other Issues

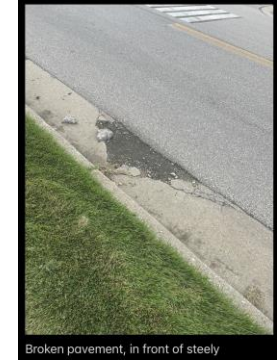
We also found issues regarding the section of Carroll Drive outside Steely.



Broken pavement



Broken pavement, outside Norse commons



Broken pavement, in front of steely



More broken pavement

A photograph of a two-story building with a grey shingled roof and light-colored horizontal siding. A dormer with several windows is visible on the upper right. In the foreground, there is a green lawn, a large dark bush on the left, and a bench with two trash cans near the building's entrance. The sky is clear and blue.

BOOTHE VILLAGE

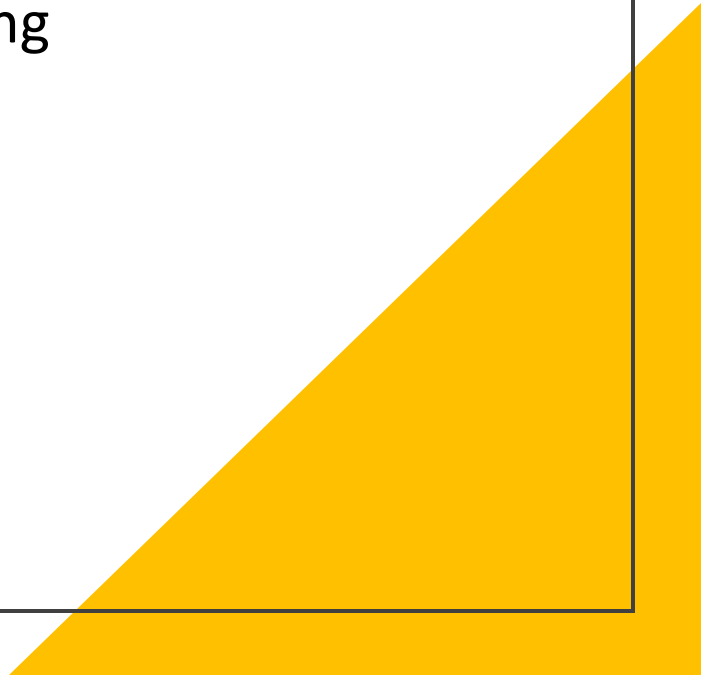
Walkway and Parking Lot Issues

While our participants walked around the Boothe Village issues with the structure of certain parking lots and walkways were noticed. We believe these issues should be fixed as they could cause undue damage to vehicles and undue risk to individuals with accessibility needs.



Commonwealth Hall

During our walk we noticed some concerning issues regarding Commonwealth.



Entrance

There were many noticeable issues at the entrance to Commonwealth. The door seems to be rusting at the side, and mold growing along the bottom of the windows. In addition, a water ponding issue was seen. This poses a clear risk to the health and sanitation of this structure.





Windows

The windows looking into the main desk area are beginning to rust. This is concerning.

Other Issues

There is an outdated, broken phone at the entrance and the card swipe appears to be decaying with mold growing on it. This is a safety concern in terms of security and health.



Kentucky Hall

In addition to Commonwealth, we noticed some issues at Kentucky Hall we believe should be addressed soon.

Structural Concerns

During the walk we noticed some decay that can call the integrity of the building's stability into question. We believe these issues, like Commonwealth, should be addressed as soon as possible.



University Suites

We noticed some issues at University Suites. Mostly regarding safety for visually impaired individuals, as well as call box issues. In addition to some minor issues that should be fixed.

Walkways:

- Sprinkler exposed, could create a hazard and trip students walking.
- A walkway is not easily accessible to visually impaired students, a safety rail could be added in.



Water Runoff

Water runoff can be seen along the sides of University Suites. This does not look pleasing to the eye and can give wrong impressions.



Call Boxes and Handrails

- Two call boxes near the University Suites (one in Parking Lot Q) were found out of order. One of them wasn't labelled as being out of order. We suggest that all campus callboxes should be tested immediately, as well as any broken ones receive priority for repair.
- The bases of some handrails at University Suites are beginning to rust. This poses safety concern for disabled students who may use them.



Parking Lot U

The signage of parking lot U is wearing away. This should be repainted.



Volleyball Court

We noticed some issues with a stairway by the Volleyball Court, where the wall holding it up is eroding. In addition to broken fences and an exposed pipe.



Light Pole Issues

On the walk we noticed issues with numerous light posts, mainly the rusting of their bases, as well as areas that are exposing the inside. These should be addressed as soon as possible.



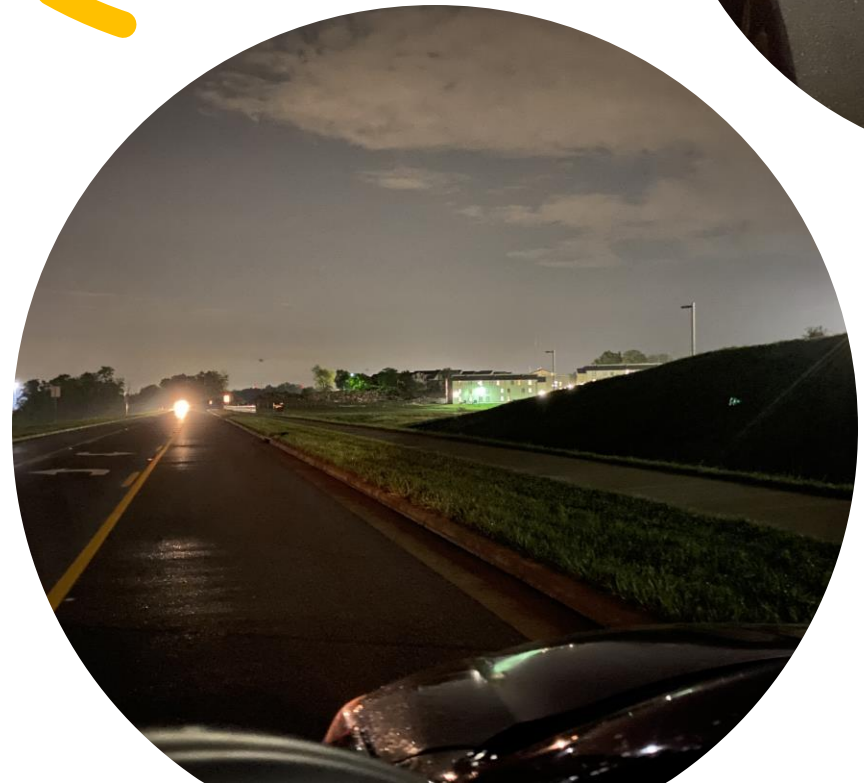
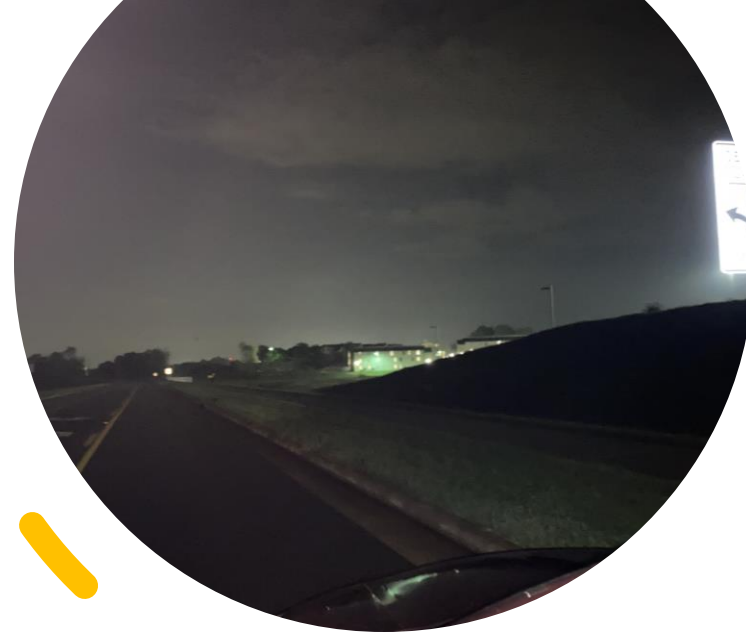
Norse Commons Walkway

This walkway is often wet due to sprinklers. Most students opt to walk around the area. However visually impaired students have no warning and can find themselves unknowingly being soaked on the way to class. This is not safe or fair to them.



Norse Boulevard

Norse Boulevard is lacking a proper amount of lighting. This lack of lighting can create unsafe situations for pedestrians and drivers alike. While not owned by NKU, we believe that NKU should begin talking with state officials to get lighting along this roadway.



Other Issues

Other issues we found concern signage and a stop sign. The signage of Boothe Village is fading. In addition, a tree is growing out of a stop sign by Norse Commons



EAST VILLAGE

 **JAMES P. CALLAHAN**
RESIDENCE HALL

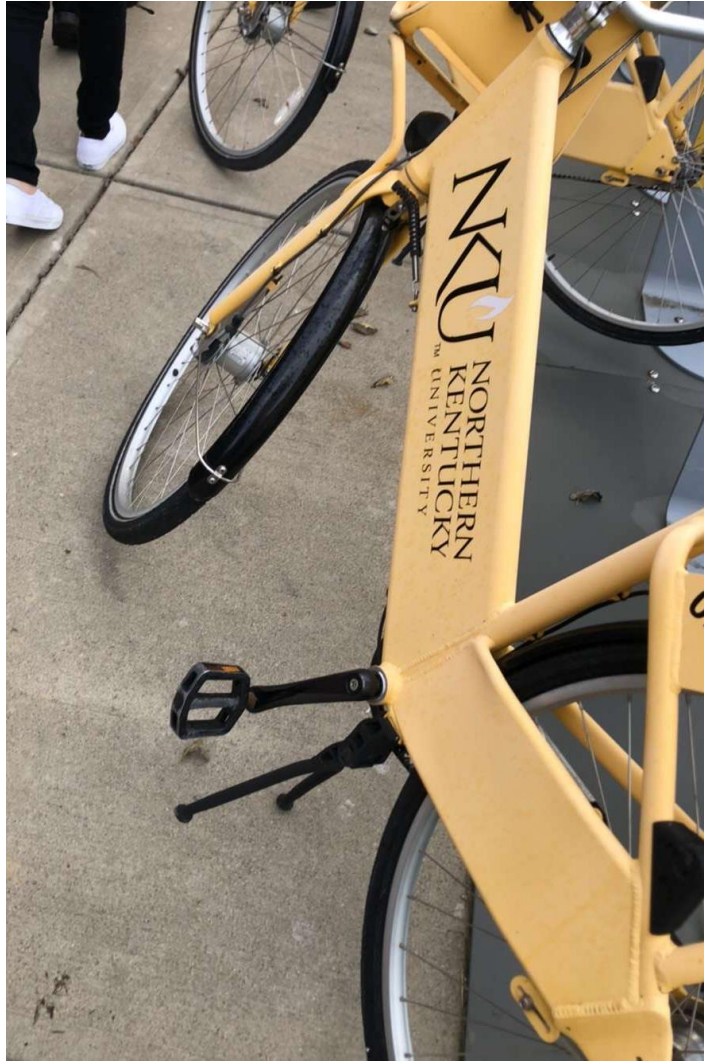
Walkways

The walkway by the Soccer Stadium is on a very steep hill, posing a risk for handicapped students in wheelchairs.



Bikes

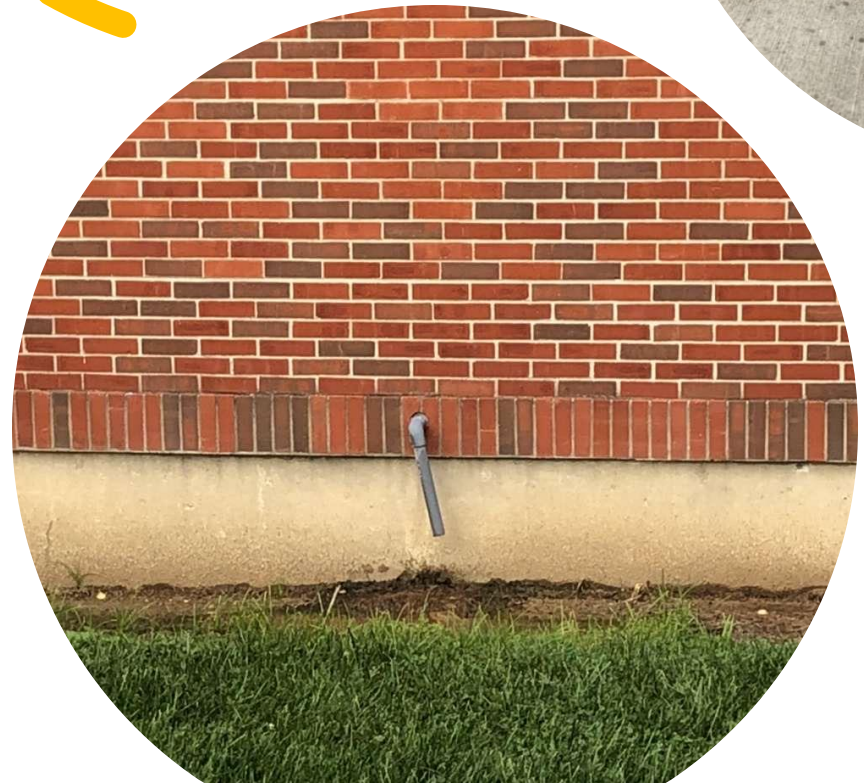
The bikes in the East Village cannot be used due to their tires not having enough air.



Northern Terrace

We noticed these issues:

- Concrete Parking Barrier in grass.
- White Opening in back with no screen.
- Pipe sticking out and leaking.



Summary:



Overall, we believe our campus has some work to do to improve safety on campus. We believe urgent issues as classified in our report should take priority, as well as smaller projects should be worked on before they possibly get worse. We believe it will be a good investment for the university to use this report when planning renovations. Long term, these fixes can save the university money by fending off anything that can cause future lawsuits.