

Supervisor's Monthly Report for December Mall Concourse

November was a warm month, with no snow removal needed for the Mall Concourse. However, time was spent on preparing for the inevitable, prepping equipment and revisiting the snow routes. Winter schedules for the crew have started for full coverage throughout the winter months.

The holiday season décor has been installed, including the usual snowflakes and winter seasonal banners on the light poles. The crew stepped it up a notch this year, installing our own winter bough decoration displays. The elevated planters on East Washington and Wisconsin Avenue are full of evergreen displays for the holiday season. The small landscape beds on the 300 block of State and Library Mall also have joyful winter interest for the season.

Mall Concourse events are winding down for the year, with the final outdoor Farmer's Market receiving warm weather the first weekend of the month. The Madison Marathon, also held in November, had perfect conditions as well. UW home football games kept the crew busy with cleanup throughout the month due to the success of the team.

Looking ahead to December, the crew anticipates some snow removal, but will continue with general maintenance such as daily trash and recycling routes, and sidewalk sweeping. December will also have a new event—the Run Santa Run 5K on the Capitol Square.