

Monthly Parks Report for August Mall Concourse Maintenance

The month of July saw the end of the Capitol Square Construction—finally! The crew has installed the majority of the bike racks, benches, and trash cans that were relocated or removed to accommodate the construction equipment that occupied half of the square since March. Irrigation and turf repairs will continue, mostly on Mifflin Street. The Mall was not short of events for the month, Art Fair on and off the Square, Maxwell Street Days, and Concerts on the Square kept us busy with deliveries and cleanup. The BID programming has continued with events at the Top of State and Peace Park quite regularly. July ended with the parks sponsored “Ride the Drive,” with extra staff scheduled in to make the event a success once again. Daily maintenance of the service area continued, trash, recycling, sidewalk sweeping, and powerwashing sidewalks have kept the crew busy. A couple of storms provided the crew with some small chainsaw work and debris removal.

Moving into August, events will start to slow down, but with nice weather expected, the service area will continue to be busy. The abandoned items program with MPD will continue to help clean the service area of unwanted items. The program has been highly successful with the help of MPD. The Mall Concourse will definitely stay busy throughout the month of August.