

Supervisor's Monthly Report for April  
Mall Concourse

March brought the construction season alive with the beginning of the Capitol Square Construction Project, which started mid-March. Removal and relocation of benches, bike racks, and trash/recycle cans in the construction area kept the crew busy. Keeping with the construction theme, the crew began sanding light poles that were not finished from last year. Damaged and rusty bike racks were taken to Graber to be refurbished and installed in the upcoming months. The new Tennant smaller sweeper received some early use in the expansion area between tighter building areas. Daily sweeping, trash removal, and recycling has kicked into high gear, with new crew members learning the equipment. All landscaped beds have been mulched, and spring bulbs have started to push through. The winter décor has been removed, including the snowflake lights and winter boughs, and the seasonal banners have been switched from winter to spring. The St. Patrick's day event on the concourse was also a success with decent weather and good attendance.

Looking toward April, the Farmer's Market returns, which will be a challenge with the Capitol Square construction issues. We intend to continue our turf management program as we have done in recent years wherever we are able, however we anticipate the construction project will keep us from completing the work on the northern half of the Square for this year. Our sidewalk washing program will also begin as soon as the weather allows. All winter shifts have come to an end for the crew, and we will be starting an early trash schedule in April to help share the needs of the garbage truck with Central Parks.