



**Western Illinois  
University**

Fiscal Year 2020 Master Plan Accomplishments  
for Macomb and the Quad Cities

An aerial photograph of the Macomb University campus, showing a mix of traditional brick buildings, modern high-rise structures, green lawns, and trees. The text "Macomb Master Plan Accomplishments" is overlaid in the center in a large, bold, black font.

# Macomb Master Plan Accomplishments

# Guiding Principles

- The Macomb Master Plan is based on five Guiding Principles:
  1. Enlivening the Academic Environment
  2. Enhancing the Student Experience
  3. Strengthening Campus Identity
  4. Engaging the Strategic Plan
  5. Developing Visionary, Yet Implementable Strategies



*Enlivening the Academic Experience*

**Establishing new learning facilities, re-configuring existing buildings, and enhancing technology to support academic excellence and educational opportunity**

# Accomplishments

- The Board of Trustees submitted WIU's *Fiscal Year 2021 Capital Budget Recommendations to the Illinois Board of Higher Education* in fall 2019
- The Board's Recommendations include funding for:



# Science Complex, Phase II



- In FY20, the State appropriated (but did not release) \$94.5 million for a new Science Building



- Phase II is a \$66.7 million project that will continue with the improvements to the science programs at WIU by renovating Waggoner Hall that was built in 1966

# Tillman Hall Renovation



This is a \$31.0 million project

- Tillman Hall was constructed in 1954 as the first WIU science building
- The needs of the University have significantly changed since the building's construction over 60 years ago
- All building systems are past expected life expectancy

# Stipes Hall Renovation



This is a \$53.3 million project

- Stipes Hall was constructed in 1968 and has had no major renovations or updates
- The building is a high profile, heavily used academic facility
- And it has a high deferred maintenance backlog



# New Education Building



This is a \$90.6 million project

- Horrabin Hall was constructed in 1965 as a laboratory school for K-12 grades
- The needs of the College of Education and Human Services do not match the building construction
- This project would construct a new building on the site of Horrabin Hall

# Accomplishments



- **Kinesiology and Military Science** opened the Injury Prevention and Rehabilitation Clinic
- The Clinic:
  - Serves military science cadets
  - Provides hands-on training opportunities for athletic training students
  - Is located in the Brophy Hall Athletic Training Laboratory

# New Practice Space for Music



- **Music** installed a Wenger Practice Room in Sallee Hall
- This modular soundproof room permits acoustical adjustments to hear how performances will sound in different venues

# Doppler Radar



- **Earth, Atmospheric and Geographic Information Sciences** purchased a Doppler Radar unit
- That supports instruction, research, and service, and use by the McDonough County Emergency Services and Disaster Agency office

# Accomplishments



- **Agriculture Professor Win Phippen** received a \$10 million federal grant to further refine Pennycress as a new winter-annual cash cover crop for use in the biofuel industry
- Researchers from the following institutions will join Phippen's team:
  - Illinois State University
  - Ohio State University
  - University of Wisconsin-Platteville
  - University of Minnesota



# Technological Advancements

- The **Board of Trustees** approved a 10-year, \$2.8 million contract with Unifyed of Chicago for an Enterprise Resource Planning system to modernize and increase efficiencies in the University's technology systems
- WIU's technological infrastructure supports a high-quality distance education program
  - *US News and World Report's 2019 Rankings* placed WIU in the top 22% of 348 colleges and universities nationwide in providing distance education





*Enhancing the Student Experience*

**Renovating athletic, dining, housing, and recreational facilities to support personal growth and social responsibility**

# Accomplishments



- **University Housing and Dining Services** added new Living-Learning Communities for students with common interests/majors in Business and Agriculture Studies



# Accomplishments



- **Athletics** facilities enhancements include:
  - A new baseball halo
  - Softball shed
  - Scoreboard in Western Hall
  - Track resurfacing/restriping
  - New branding in the coaches hallway

# Accomplishments



- **Student Services** allocated space for the new Student Development and Success Center in Memorial Hall near the University Advising and Academic Support Center to gain synergy between units

# Accomplishments



- **Student Services** moved the LGBT\*QA Resource Center from the University Union to the Multicultural Center for added space and visibility

An aerial photograph of the Western Illinois University campus, showing a mix of modern and traditional buildings, green spaces, and a large stadium in the center. The text is overlaid on the image.

# *Strengthening Campus Identity*

**Focusing on enhancements to iconic facilities, pronounced entry to Western Illinois University, and proud display of the University's identity**

# Accomplishments



- **University Marketing** led a brand refresh that includes a new logo and banners

# Accomplishments



- **WIU** received \$11.8M in FY19 funding for permanent improvements related to:
  - Roof repairs/replacements
  - Chiller replacements
  - Building system water replacement
  - Electrical distribution upgrades

# Accomplishments

- The **Board of Trustees** Fiscal Year 2021 Capital Recommendations to the IBHE include \$24.3M in capital renewal funds for:
  - Classroom modernizations
  - Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning improvements
  - Plumbing and electrical enhancements
  - Sidewalk, drive, and exterior stair renovations





*Engaging the Strategic Plan*

**Supporting campus safety, health and wellness, accessibility, sustainability, community engagement, and economic development**



# Accomplishments



- **WIU** received Tree Campus USA designation by the Arbor Day Foundation for the 7th consecutive year in February 2019
- The University was honored for effective campus forest management and engaging students, faculty, and staff in conservation goals

# Accomplishments



- **WIU** participated in the national collegiate RecycleMania competition for the 13<sup>th</sup> consecutive year
- Participating institutions recycled 69.9 million pounds of recycling and food waste in 2018

# Memorial Tree Planting



- **WIU** honored former employees and those who have served our country at the Memorial Tree Planting and Veterans Memorial Tree Grove Planting

# Joined Illinois Innovation Network



- **WIU** joined the Illinois Innovation Network and is seeking funding to support:
  - Advanced and additive manufacturing in the School of Engineering
  - Training/application of data analytics, visualization, and artificial intelligence in rural communities through the Illinois Institute for Rural Affairs



*Developing Visionary, Yet Implementable Strategies*

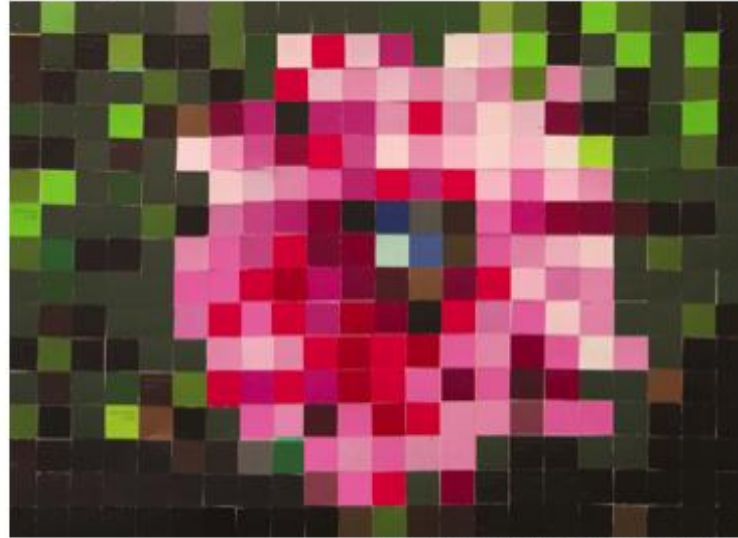
**Supporting smaller scale projects that enhance interactions between students, faculty, staff, and guests of the University**

# Accomplishments

- Special focus was placed on hosting high profile events that attract members and guests of the University. This includes hosting:

# Special Exhibitions by High School Artists

## High School Invitational



*Springtime, Emily Kiesewetter, collage, 16 x 22 in*

Featuring artwork by students from:  
West Central, Rushville-Industry, Monmouth-Roseville, Spoon River Valley,  
Illini West, Macomb, Farmington Central, Mercer County

April 15 – May 3, 2019

Exhibition Reception:

Tuesday, April 23, 4:30-6:00 pm

### University Art Gallery

College of Fine Arts and Communication  
Western Illinois University - 1 University Circle - Macomb, IL  
309-298-1587 artgallery@wiu.edu  
Monday-Friday 9:00 - Noon; 1:00-4:00 pm  
Saturday 1:00-4:00 pm (Closed on University Holidays)



# The World Champion Drum and Bugle Corps Phantom Regiment





# WIU Marching Band Classic



# Summit League Track and Field Championship



# July 4<sup>th</sup> Celebration



An aerial photograph of a large university campus, likely the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, showing various academic buildings, green spaces, and parking lots. The text "Actions In Progress" is overlaid in the center in a large, bold, black font.

# Actions In Progress

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- As shown in the slides that follow, current Master Plan actions in progress focus in three areas:
  1. Advocacy
  2. Permanent Improvements
  3. Enhancing the Student Experience



# Advocacy

- **WIU** continues to advocate for the release of \$89.0 million in FY19 appropriated funding for the construction of the Center for Performing Arts
- Since the December 2019 Board of Trustees meeting, the State released 10% (\$8.9 million)
  - WIU and the Capital Development Board are currently scheduling re-engagement meetings with the architectural and engineering firm



# Advocacy

## WESTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY CENTER FOR PERFORMING ARTS

An Essential Economic Engine: Success Now and for the Future

### WHY A CENTER FOR PERFORMING ARTS?

- Establishes WIU as THE ARTS DESTINATION in our Tri-State region
- Serves as a major academic addition to the WIU campus
- Advances the importance of the performing arts to WIU's mission
- Provides students a seamless transition into their professional fields
- Generates significant economic benefit to Macomb, McDonough Cnty, and Illinois.
- Sends strong message from the state that WIU is here to stay

### IMMEDIATE IMPACT 45 COUNTY PRIMARY REGION

**\$132M** ECONOMIC OUTPUT

**\$89M** FACILITY **\$21M** DOWN STREAM BUSINESS INTERACTIONS **\$22M** EMPLOYEE HOUSEHOLD SPENDING

**780** EMPLOYMENT POSITIONS

**\$40M** EMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION

### ONGOING ANNUAL IMPACT MACOMB/MCDONOUGH COUNTY

**6980** VISITS BY ATTENDEES DRIVING 2+ HOURS

**\$434K** ECONOMIC OUTPUT

**CREATING:** **\$126K** LABOR INCOME

**\$66K** PUBLIC REVENUES

**\$46K** STATE & LOCAL **\$20K** FEDERAL

### STATE OF ILLINOIS IMPACT

**\$148M** ECONOMIC OUTPUT

**\$14M** PUBLIC REVENUES

**860** EMPLOYMENT POSITIONS

**\$44M** LABOR INCOME



### SUSTAINED IMPACT

ENHANCED RECRUITING & RETENTION OF STUDENTS

VENUE FOR NATIONAL & INTERNATIONAL TOURING PERFORMANCES

EXPANDED ACADEMIC EXPERIENCES

LOCAL & REGIONAL EVENTS

STATE OF THE ART CULTURAL LANDMARK



# Advocacy

- **WIU** continues to advocate for the release of \$29 million in FY20 appropriated funding designated for WIU permanent improvements





# Permanent Improvements

- **Roof Repairs**

- Currens and Heating Plant Annex in progress
- Knoblauch and Library (building envelope issues) are in design. Construction will occur in summer 2020



# Permanent Improvements

- **Piping System Replacement**
  - 50% design drawings complete
  - Replacements will occur in Morgan, Stipes, and Browne Halls



# Permanent Improvements

- **Electrical Distribution Upgrades**

- Planning to replace multiple transformers, medium voltage cabling, oil switches, and upgrade two emergency backup systems
- Woolpert Engineering is engaged in program analysis and schematic design is beginning
- Construction is estimated to begin in summer 2021



# Permanent Improvements

- **Chilled Water Loop**

- This is a \$4.3 million project
- Henneman Engineering is engaged in program analysis and schematic design is beginning
- Construction is estimated to begin in summer 2021



# Enhancing the Student Experience

- **Student Services**

- Investigating locations for an Esports Arena and Tech Center
- Planning for the replacement of the Thompson Hall Chiller (Air Conditioning) in spring/summer 2020





# Quad Cities Master Plan Accomplishments

# Western Illinois University-Quad Cities *Campus Master Plan*



Accomplishments focused in seven areas:

1. Advocacy and a New Facility
2. Campus Identity
3. E-Sports Arena
4. Permanent Improvements
5. Sustainability
6. WQPT Tower
7. Community and Economic Development

# New Advocacy and a New Facility

- WIU continues to advocate for the release of variance dollars from Phases I and II and the \$5.0 million allocated by Governor Quinn for the continued physical expansion of the campus





# New Facilities

- The Board of Trustees *Fiscal Year 2021 Capital Budget Recommendations to the Illinois Board of Higher Education* include \$42.3 million for the construction of Phase III
- Phase III completes construction of a new campus that serves a regional population of 400,000 residents
- And leverages \$175 million in private investment and foundation support for education, entrepreneurship, technology, new jobs, and economic opportunity



# Campus Identity



- The brand refresh resulted in a new logo and the instillation of new banners



# Campus Identity



- All campus parking lots were restriped to aid in a favorable first impression

# Esports



- Room 2101 was repurposed from a classroom to an Esports Arena

# Permanent Improvements



Permanent Improvements included:

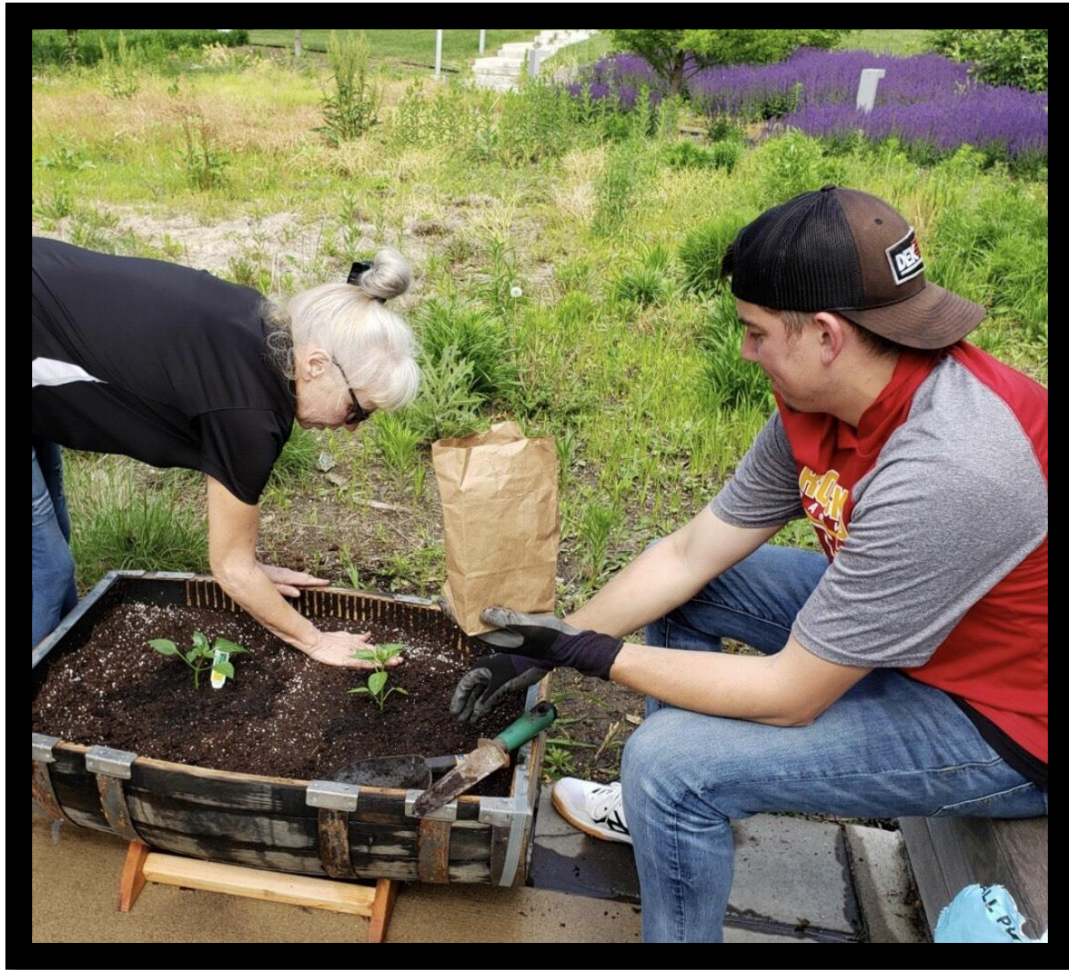
- Tuckpointing Building B
- Replacing a multi-stack unit that supports geothermal heating and cooling
- Sealing the Riverfront Hall foundation to prevent water penetration

# Sustainability



- New window treatments are being piloted in Building C of the Quad Cities Complex as added protection for migratory birds

# Sustainability



- The Victory Garden was created during Spring 2019 We Care to add fresh produce to the campus food pantry

# WQPT



- WQPT continued to fundraise for higher placement on its transmission tower to increase the signal radius and reliability
- As of December 3, 2019, \$1.4 million in pledges and \$618,000 in cash has been raised towards the \$2.1 million goal



# Community and Economic Development



- New business continue to open in areas near WIU-Quad Cities
- Senior Julio's is a new restaurant that opened in The Mills, which is next to WIU-Quad Cities

# Community and Economic Development



- The new corporate headquarters for IH-Mississippi Valley Credit Union opened. It is next to The Mills



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Fiscal Year 2020  
Master Plan Update