#### Paducah Area Chamber of Commerce



Dr. Bob Jackson

August 1, 2024



### Thank you!

- Thank you…!
  - Regents
  - Alumni
    - 5,445
  - Students
    - 642
  - Legislators/Officials/Friends
  - WKCTC
  - Sponsor: Baptist Health Paducah, Chamber/Special Guests
- A very busy year...lots of good and exciting things going on.



### Ms. Murray State University

- Gracie Conway
  - Pre-Veterinary...intern Dallas Zoo
  - McCracken County High School



# Academic Quality Access and Affordability

30+
CONSECUTIVE YEARS
TOP TIER UNIVERSITY

- U.S. NEWS & WORLD REPORT





- Highest Rankings in our History
- Wall Street Journal/Times Higher
   Education 2022 Best College
- US News & World Report (South Region)
  - 8th in Top Public Schools
  - 8<sup>th</sup> in Best Value Schools
  - 7<sup>th</sup> in Best Colleges for Veterans
  - 23<sup>rd</sup> in Best Regional Universities
  - Washington Monthly Best Bang for the Buck

#### First...

- Congratulations and thank you!
- SACSCOC Reaffirmation (ten-year review) "no recommendations"
  - Final decision at the December SACSCOC Annual Meeting



#### We are all recruiters and retention specialists!

- Fall 2023 Record Freshmen Class...up 21.4%
- 49 states...55 countries...109 counties...
- 13,508 graduates 2018-2024



## Paducah Regional Campus

- Course enrollments up 2%
  - Informational flyer on your table
- Occupational Therapy
  - First cohort in 2018
  - Record 25 new students Fall 2024
  - Thank you to our healthcare partners!
- Education programs
  - 100% placement
- Scholarship opportunities
  - Many scholarships, record awards and thank you!!
- Karami Underwood, Campus Director



## Paducah Regional Campus

- Paducah Academy for Nonprofit Development and Leadership (PANDL)
  - Leadership training and networking program for area nonprofit professionals
- Racers Finish...new degree completion program
  - Returning students...Adult completion initiative...scholarships!







# Federal Grant Department of Energy

- Support work environmental cleanup and reuse of the Paducah Gaseous Diffusion Plant site
  - Educational and workforce outreach
  - Thanks to our local partners!
- Dr. Renee Fister (PI)
  - Alex Sherwood, Project Director
- \$1.5 million grant
  - Partnership with PTHS/Innovation Hub
  - MSU Students



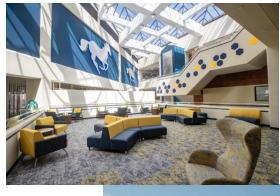
## 2024 Legislative Session

- Record appropriations for NEW capital projects
  - We are Transforming our University!
- Veterinary Sciences Building \$60 million
- Learning Commons/Residential Hall \$38 million
- Cybersecurity and Network Management \$10 million
  - Building, program enhancements, equipment
- Asset Preservation/Deferred Maintenance \$47 million (\$94 million)
- School of Nursing and Health Professions \$45.5 million (2022)
- Authorizing/Re-authorizing Language of Agency Projects \$122 million











#### School of Nursing and Health Professions



#### Learning Commons/Residential Hall



## Veterinary Sciences



# Cybersecurity and Network Management Cyber Center

- Record growth...30% increase in new students last fall
- \$10 million appropriation
- Renovation of facilities, enhance areas for growth
- Equipment

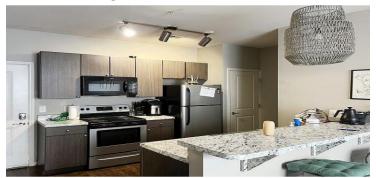


#### Residential Housing

Recruiting and Retention

Station 74 at Murray State University

College Courts









### Legislative Matters

- School of Veterinary Medicine
  - Senate Joint Resolution 170
    - A doctoral program for professional practice and licensure in veterinary medicine at Murray State University



## Washington, DC Meetings

- Capitol Hill Visits
  - Grants/direct appropriations
  - USDA Meetings
  - \$1.1 million appropriation







## Centennial Campaign

#### Be Bold: Forever Blue and Gold

- \$100 Million Campaign
  - 50% Scholarships and Need-Based Aid
  - 50% Academic Support/Enhancements and Campus Improvements
- FY 2023-24 Record year!
  - \$21.3 million...gifts/pledges
  - \$10.1 million gifts received
- Approximately \$84.5 Million
  - Major multi-million dollar gift pending
- Thank You!

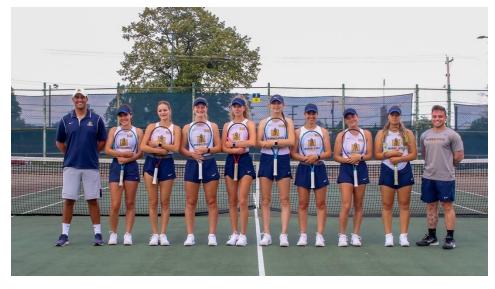




#### Racer Athletics

- Important and visible component... "Front Porch"
  - 350+ student-athletes
  - Thank You to our Alumni and Friends!
    - Swift and Staley/Mr. Leon Owens
  - Record Athletic Fundraising, Sponsorships and Ticket Sales
  - 39 Semesters with 3.0 Grade Point Average or Higher





## Major NEW Academic Initiative

#### Murray State University – University of Louisville

- President Kim Schatzel
- Dr. Jeff Bumpous
  - Dean of the School of Medicine, EVP Health Affairs
- Murray State University Team
- Baptist Health and Others
  - Kenny Boyd, CEO
  - Dr. Mike Muscarella
- Task Force will be appointed soon.
- School of Medicine campus at MSU
- Partnership to benefit our region and state







