



MEMO FROM THE MAGISTRATE

A Message from Sherry Sebastian, 1st District Magistrate

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From First-Time Candidate To Hands-On Magistrate

In 2019, I transitioned from a first-time candidate to your hands-on Magistrate! I'm working hard to focus on the issues and concerns that are important to you, to make the positive changes you are asking for. In one short year, I have learned so much; together, our efforts are making things better for the First District and all of Franklin County.



“Listening to you and addressing your needs are my highest priorities.”

Meet and Greets in the First District

In 2019, I held two “Magistrate Meet and Greets” in the First District to hear about issues on your mind and how to make Franklin County an even better place to live, work and play. I’m looking forward to having more of these gatherings in 2020 – they are open to everyone! Watch for me in your neighborhood, or contact me to come out and see you at any time. And when you do see me at your neighborhood association meetings, like the South Frankfort Neighborhood Association, feel free to pull me aside and share any issues, concerns, or words of encouragement.



Hearing from both my city and county constituents, I have worked to accomplish the following things for you, some of which you can see here.

Infrastructure Maintenance and Improvements

Roadside maintenance is a full time operation, from ditch cleaning, mowing and removing invasive plants, to responding to emergency situations like trees falling on power cables!

For you, your neighbors, and all of Franklin County to thrive, our infrastructure – including available clean water, sanitary sewage treatment, and safe county roads with proper shoulders – must be addressed.



“The health and safety of your families is non-negotiable!”



Installing Road Signage, Fixing Sidewalks, and Eliminating Safety Hazards in Neighborhoods



Removing Signs and Clearing Roadside Trash



From this....
...to this!



Critical situations demand constant attention and strong-willed advocacy to see change.

The Collapse of Big Eddy Road and the Repair Operation



The Long Overdue Repaving of Cardwell Lane



A New Community Event for Franklin County: Family Movie Night!

Members of the Fiscal Court launched a new family-focused event in 2019! It was a huge success and we are looking forward to more family-oriented activities in 2020.

Trick or Treating during Family Movie Night at Lakeview Park



Playing "Operation" during Family Movie Night! The game was fabricated by students at Franklin County Career and Technical Center.



Thriller Dance re-enactment during Family Movie Night at Lakeview Park

This is our home and together we can make a difference.

I have worked with my fellow Fiscal Court members to continue county patrols by funding new vehicles for the Franklin County Sheriff's office, as well as to challenge the continuation of county government's longstanding practice of balancing its budget with reserve funds. Check out this Editorial from [*The State Journal: New Magistrates wisely question use of reserve funds May 15, 2019*](#) and see how we use our voices on your behalf.

This type of success illustrates how important it is for you to have direct access to your Magistrate and local government. While I am your voice at Franklin County Government, I invite you to have a hands-on role in shaping our county by participating on one of the boards or commissions. You can use this link to find out how, and apply today:
<https://franklincounty.ky.gov/boards/>

I will continue working behind the scenes on short- and long-term projects for you, asking the hard questions, and focusing on all things large and small that make our community stronger.

2019 passed quickly. The time I spend representing you has consistently been among the most rewarding and meaningful moments in my 30+ public service career. My continued pledge to you is to give no less than my all, to be available to you, to serve you with honor and integrity, and to work closely with you on issues that matter to you – our neighbors in the First District and our community.



Best regards,

Sherry