



A Message from University of Kentucky  
**PRESIDENT ELI CAPILOUTO**

Dear Campus Community,

We recently announced new steps we're taking to chart our institution's path to greater excellence, diversity, impact and success. Part of those efforts involved creating the position of vice president for land-grant engagement.

Our land-grant mission — the idea of service — is in our DNA. It is as much a part of our identity as the name of the state we bear. An important part of successfully confronting the challenges we face today, I believe, can be found in translating the ethos of extension services found in our College of Agriculture, Food and Environment into programs and initiatives throughout our campus. Such a focus in a time of anxiety about the future will help us anchor our aspirations to our historical land-grant roots.

As [we previously announced](#), Dr. Nancy Cox, dean of the College of Agriculture, Food and Environment, has taken on the additional role of vice president for land-grant engagement, reporting directly to me, while continuing her academic leadership role and reporting to the provost.

This is another way we are meeting this moment. Thank you for the role you play in this crucial work.

Eli Capilouto  
President