



Commissioner Sandy Murman proclaimed Hurricane Preparedness Week in Hillsborough County. Hurricane Season begins on June 1st. On hand for the proclamation were Preston Cook, Division Director of Emergency Management, Chief Dennis Jones and the Hillsborough County Fire Rescue team.

[Tampa Bay area is nation's second best area for first-time homebuyers](#)

For first-time homebuyers, you can't beat the Orlando and Tampa Bay areas. Despite steadily rising prices, both are relatively affordable compared to the West Coast and Northeast at a time when nearly half of all buyers are first-timers, a new Zillow report says.

[Hillsborough commissioners request report on juvenile car theft](#)

Hillsborough commissioners, distressed by a *Tampa Bay Times* report about the juvenile auto theft epidemic in neighboring Pinellas County, requested the sheriff to provide a rundown of the crime in the Tampa area on Wednesday. Commissioner Sandy Murman asked the Hillsborough County Sheriff's Office to draw up a report on kids stealing cars and potential solutions.

[Hillsborough to consider cap on medical marijuana dispensaries](#)

Hillsborough commissioners will consider placing a cap on the number of medical marijuana dispensaries that can open in unincorporated parts of the county. A public hearing will be held June 7 to consider a cap based on population and patient demand.

[Report shows why Tampa Bay area is staycation hotspot](#)

Summer is coming, but for hardworking businesspeople in Tampa and St. Petersburg the choice between taking a vacation or a staycation could be a bit easier based on a new report. Tampa was named the fifth best city out of 100 for sticking around town and relaxing at home, by travel and survey company RewardExpert. "Tampa has it all: beaches, warm weather, pools, nature parks, hiking."

FROM THE BOARDROOM:

Hillsborough County Commissioners approved a partnership agreement with the Hillsborough County School Board that will reduce transportation costs by 10-20 percent for youth Summer Camp field trips.

Hillsborough Commissioners approved a no-cost agreement with WestShore Plaza to host the free 2017 Hillsborough County Hurricane Expo that will teach residents how to plan, prepare, and stay informed for the upcoming hurricane season.

Commissioners approved a \$3.06 million Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) grant agreement that will help directly fund emergency energy assistance for Hillsborough County residents.

UPCOMING EVENTS IN THE COUNTY

Saturday, June 3, 11:00 a.m. – Hurricane Expo 2017 at Westshore Mall

Friday, June 9, 9:00 a.m. – Sandy's Hurricane Prep Talk with South Tampa Chamber, Jan Platt Library

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