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HEADLINES FROM HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY



Commissioner Sandy Murman hosts DooDad Art Winner Allie Christian and her mother, Donna Christian, at her BOCC office. Allie's project, inspired by the county's Public Art Map, will be displayed as public art in Commissioner Murman's office at County Center.

Hillsborough EDC says past year brought 4,532 jobs

The Tampa Hillsborough Economic Development Corporation announced that in the 12-month period ending Sept. 30, 30 companies announced plans to create 4,532 new jobs and make \$614 million in capital investment in Hillsborough County. The EDC said that was the organization's highest job creation numbers in more than a decade and the largest amount of capital investment ever.

County approves lease agreement for new Entrepreneur Collaborative Center

Hillsborough County Board of County Commissioners have approved a lease agreement to secure space in Ybor City to serve as the new Entrepreneur Collaborative Center (ECC). The goal of the initiative is to foster an environment that is customer focused and connects people who own, operate or have a vision to create a new business with various resources and each other.

Channel District at a transformative time with Vinik's plan

Bill Gates has the deepest pockets in the world, and his investment group's interest in the future of the Channel District is a huge shot of adrenaline for downtown Tampa. The Microsoft co-founder controls the investment group Cascade, which was announced Thursday as a major behind-the-scenes player in the efforts by Tampa Bay Lightning owner Jeff Vinik to redevelop the Channel District into a livable urban neighborhood.

Hillsborough County Fire Rescue reminds residents: Working smoke alarms save lives

Working Smoke Alarms Save Lives: Test Yours Every Month!" Along with firefighters and safety advocates nationwide, Hillsborough County Fire Rescue is joining forces with the nonprofit National Fire Protection Association (NFPA).

Tampa Electric will build largest solar energy system at Tampa Airport

Tampa International Airport and Tampa Electric Co. have forged a project that may be the grandest show of environmental stewardship among large institutions in the county's history.

UPCOMING EVENTS IN THE COUNTY

Saturday, Oct. 11, 8:00 a.m. – Household Chemicals & Electronics Collection at 13000 U.S. Hwy 41, Gibsonton

Wednesday, Oct. 15, 9:00 a.m. – BOCC Meeting at County Center

Tuesday, Oct. 21, 1:30 p.m. – Policy Leadership Group: Transportation for Economic Development at County Center

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