



On behalf of Hillsborough County, Commissioner Sandy Murman and County Administrator Mike Merrill accept a check for \$113,185.79 from State of Florida Chief Financial Officer Jimmy Patronis. The funds are from the State's Unclaimed Property Fund and are sourced from a variety of accounts in the county's name.

Partner job centers in Tampa Bay planning a breakup

Leaders at a Hillsborough County employment center voted unanimously to cut ties with its Pinellas sister agency after working under one leader for eight years to help people find jobs. The executive committee at CareerSource Tampa Bay, which serves Hillsborough County, made the decision itself. It will take effect by July 1.

Water Street Tampa expects to have 10 buildings underway within a year

Water Street Tampa marks the start of construction on its first building, the posh JW Marriott hotel, but there's a lot more to come. Within a year construction should be underway on 10 of Water Street Tampa's planned 22 buildings. Watch for Amalie Arena to be surrounded by 20 construction cranes at a time, with nearly 3,000 hard hats on the job.

Ruskin crabber Gus Muench helping the environment

Thirty years ago, Gus Muench helped launch ELAPP which sets aside Hillsborough County's natural lands. Now, ELAPP has amassed more than 61,000 acres of County lands deemed environmentally significant. The program is fulfilling its mission to preserve forests, wetlands, and other natural lands in one of Florida's most rapidly developing counties.

FROM THE BOARD ROOM:

Commissioners approved \$150,000 in additional funding for The Centre for Women's Special Needs Barrier Removal and Rehabilitation Program that provides homeowners who are special needs, domestic violence victims, or foster parents with financial assistance for home repairs.

The BOCC approved a grant agreement with USF to be reimbursed for providing no-cost professional training and confidential business consulting services through Economic Development as the Florida SBDC at Hillsborough County, part of the Florida SBDC Network designated as Florida's Principal Provider of Business Assistance.

Hillsborough Commissioners approved a one-year extension on an existing lease agreement for the Entrepreneur Collaborative Center facility that continues to promote entrepreneurial growth potential by providing a one-stop shop of resources, information, collaboration, mentoring, and specialty training for small business owners.

UPCOMING EVENTS IN THE COUNTY

Tuesday, May 8, 9:00 a.m. – BOCC Land Use Meeting at County Center

Wednesday, May 16, 9:00 a.m. – BOCC Regular Meeting at County Center

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