



Commissioner Sandy Murman proclaimed Americans with Disabilities Act Awareness Day in Hillsborough County and urged all residents to celebrate the 28th anniversary of the passage of the law by supporting equality and inclusion for people with disabilities. On hand for the proclamation were Julie Reyes, Melinda Wheatley, Ben Ritter, Sandra Sroka, Justin Clark, Brittany Bush, Virgil Perry, Sheryl Brown, Brenda Clark and Carmen LoBue.

[National award for public leadership in arts goes to Hillsborough County](#)

When financial support for the arts feels threatened, it's a prime time to recognize and shine a spotlight on local public officials fighting for arts funding. That's what happened on July 15, when the Hillsborough Board of County Commissioners in Florida was awarded the Public Leadership in the Arts Award for County Arts Leadership at National Association of Counties' (NACo) annual conference in Nashville, TN.

[PACE home improvement lenders under Hillsborough County scrutiny](#)

It's been a rough few months around Tampa Bay for the government-sanctioned home improvement financing program known as PACE (Property Assessed Clean Energy) following an investigation of sketchy business practices. Hillsborough county consumer protection managers will meet with PACE loan providers to find out what kind of protections they have in place for consumers, how well they're executing those protections and whether additional protections for consumers need to be in place.

[Travel & Leisure names TIA to top domestic airports](#)

Travel and Leisure Magazine has ranked Tampa International Airport (TIA) as one of the top 10 domestic airports. According to the magazine, TIA really stood out because of their public art program. TIA has standout cultural and entertainment offerings at the airport. Tampa International Airport was ranked 4th out of the top 10 domestic airports.

FROM THE BOARD ROOM:

County Commissioners approved additional funds for Hillsborough County's Head Start and Early Head Start programs that will be utilized for ongoing staff training and technical assistance to continue improving a mental health pilot program and early learning curriculum for children.

The BOCC approved additional funding for Tampa Crossroads that will increase the number of individuals assisted through substance abuse treatment.

The Hillsborough Board of County Commissioners received the recommended Fiscal Year 2019 budget from the County Administrator that will provide effective, quality service at a reasonable cost, and protect and enhance the quality of life of residents throughout the County.

UPCOMING EVENTS IN THE COUNTY

Tuesday, July 24, 9:00 a.m. – BOCC Land Use Meeting at County Center

Wednesday, August 1, 9:00 a.m. – BOCC Regular Meeting at County Center

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