



Commissioner Sandy Murman declared October Fire Prevention Month in Hillsborough County at the quarterly awards ceremony recently. On hand to accept the proclamation for Hillsborough County Fire Rescue were Fire Chief Dennis Jones and members of the fire rescue team.

[Hillsborough commissioner has personal reason to see opioid plan succeed](#)

Hillsborough County's opioid task force is about to launch a comprehensive opioid attack plan considered the first of its kind in the state. It's a \$14 million effort to curb the deadly effects of the drug epidemic in our area. And for one county commissioner in particular, it's a battle that hits close to home.

[Tampa Bay's unemployment rate falls to 2.9 percent](#)

Tampa Bay's unemployment rate plunged to 2.9 percent, down from 3.6 percent in August. Hillsborough County's unemployment rate last month was 2.8 percent, down from 3.5 percent. Hernando County dropped a full percentage point to 3.7 percent from 4.7 percent, while Pinellas County dipped to 2.7 percent from 3.4 percent. Pasco County's rate also declined from 4 percent to 3.2 percent over the month.

[County Job Fair hosts more than 50 employers, draws hundreds](#)

Hillsborough County Commissioner Sandy Murman, in association with CareerSource Tampa Bay and Hillsborough Community College, hosted a County Job Fair at the HCC Dale Mabry Campus, where hundreds of job seekers had an opportunity to meet with more than 50 employers that had full and part time jobs open and ready to fill. Also, from 1-5 p.m. after the event, the Commissioner hosted a Virtual County Job fair, where jobs not filled in the morning event, were available online to anyone accessing a link from their computers or ones available at libraries around the county.

[Early voting sites are now open in Hillsborough County](#)

Early voting gives you the flexibility to vote when and where it's most convenient for you. As long as you're registered to vote in Hillsborough County, you can vote in any early voting site that is open. This is different than Election Day voting, when you must vote in the polling place assigned to your precinct. For the 2018 general elections, there will be 20 early vote sites open for the maximum number of days allowed by law.

UPCOMING EVENTS IN THE COUNTY

Thursday, November 8, 9:00 a.m. – BOCC Regular Meeting at County Center

Wednesday, November 14, 9:00 a.m. – BOCC Land Use Meeting at County Center

Thursday, November 15, 9:00 a.m. – Environmental Protection Commission Meeting at County Center

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