



Commissioner Sandy Murman proclaimed Bullying Prevention Month and honored Ms. Riley Yorker, the recipient of the first Annual Anti-Bullying Recognition Award. On hand for the proclamation and for the award presentation were members of the Anti-Bullying Advisory Committee, members of the Riley Yorker family and Mr. Eliah Ewing of Ameriprise Financial Services, a sponsor of the Annual Anti-Bullying Recognition Award.

[County offers to help fix air conditioning crisis in Hillsborough schools](#)

Commissioners instructed County Administrator Mike Merrill to meet with Schools Superintendent Jeff Eakins to see how the county can help fix the air conditioning crisis in schools. Among the ideas that may be floated would be to offer property tax credits in lieu of payment to firms that take on school repairs.

[\\$47.9 million contract awarded for Port Tampa Bay’s project to deepen channel](#)

For decades, officials at Port Tampa Bay have planned, worked and lobbied to draw up plans and line up the money for a major expansion of the Big Bend channel. The Army Corps of Engineers recently announced the completion of a long-awaited key step: A \$47.9 million contract to has been awarded to Great Lakes Dredge & Docks Co. to deepen and expand the channel. Work is expected to begin next month and take 11 months to complete.

[City shares information on Bayshore Boulevard pedestrian safety improvements](#)

Three pedestrian crosswalks will be marked with new signing and striping in the coming weeks along Bayshore Blvd. The crossings, located at S. Delaware, S. Dakota, and midblock between S. Brevard Ave. and W. Swann Ave. will be enhanced with Rectangular Rapid Flash Beacons (RRFBs). The new RRFBs are expected to be turned on Wednesday, October 24.

[Sandy Murman’s annual County Job Fair scheduled for October 26](#)

Hillsborough County Commissioner Sandy Murman, in association with CareerSource Tampa Bay and Hillsborough Community College, will be hosting a County Job Fair on Friday, October 26th, from 8:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the HCC Dale Mabry Campus, 4001 W. Tampa Bay Blvd., Tampa, FL 33614. All employers with job openings may register; space is limited. Click on the link above to access the registration forms and “Save the Date” flyer.

FROM THE BOARD ROOM:

County Commissioners approved a \$330,000 grant from the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration to expand and enhance the County’s existing Jail Diversion Program that ensures people with mental illness can receive the treatment and services they need as an alternative to incarceration.

The Hillsborough BOCC approved an agreement for the collection, removal, and disposal of biological debris that supports the County’s response for red tide or similar biological hazards in coastal and interior waterways and surrounding beach and land areas within Hillsborough County.

UPCOMING EVENTS IN THE COUNTY

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

Wednesday, October 17, 9:00 a.m. – BOCC Regular Meeting at County Center

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