



Sandy Murman

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HEADLINES FROM HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY



Commissioner Sandy Murman presents commendations to volunteer agencies who manage Cold Weather Shelters in Hillsborough County. The community-based initiative is coordinated by Hillsborough County Homeless Services. “During the past winter, the agencies temporarily housed 1,354 individuals and 13 dogs. The shelters are faithfully managed by dedicated volunteers whose duties include preparing meals, distributing mats and blankets for overnight guests. The Cold Weather Shelter Plan has proven to be a resounding success”, said Commissioner Murman



[Study: These are the highest-paying occupations in Tampa Bay](#)

In the Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater metro area, professionals in management occupations make more than professionals in 10 other major fields, according to a new RentHop study.

The average annual salary for Bay area management professionals is \$113,200. The next highest paid professionals in Tampa Bay are legal professionals, who have an average annual salary of \$86,010. The third-highest paid profession in the Bay belongs to those in computer and mathematical occupations, who make \$82,200 annually, on average.

Here’s the full list of the average pay for Bay area professions:

1. Management occupations: \$113,200
2. Legal occupations: \$86,010
3. Computer and mathematical occupations: \$82,200
4. Health care practitioners and technical occupations: \$74,580
5. Architecture and engineering occupations: \$71,780
6. Business and financial operations occupations: \$68,990
7. Education, training and library occupations: \$50,580
8. Arts, design, entertainment, sports and media occupations: \$48,280
9. Community and social service occupations: \$45,420
10. Office and administrative support occupations: \$36,530

[Tampa named among top 10 cities for Hispanic entrepreneurs](#)

The Hispanic community is expected to make up more than 25 percent of the U.S. population by 2050, translating to more buying power and a greater impact on the U.S. economy. WalletHub recently decided to find out the best places for Hispanic-owned enterprises. The personal finance website ranked over 180 U.S. cities and Tampa came in at No. 7!

Roberto Torres, Founder and President of Blind Tiger, now has four coffee shops throughout the area, and Amanda Cardoso, CEO and Co-Founder of Ekoa Brands, recently launched the U.S. brand of her snack food company in Tampa.





[Should I stay or should I go? Make hurricane evacuation plans now -- before you need them](#)

If emergency planning officials could get one message through to Floridians about hurricanes, it would be: Plan ahead -- long before a storm is approaching. Based on the experience from Hurricane Irma in September 2017, planning ahead not only will help keep you safer, it could mean fewer headaches before, during and after the storm blows through, and possibly less damage to your home.

[Notice of Openings on Boards and Councils](#)

Hillsborough County Commissioners are seeking residents to serve on the Value Adjustment Board.

Applications can now be submitted online using the forms found on the [Boards and Committees Forms](#) page on the County website at HCFLGov.net. Click on "Government" at the top of the page, then "Boards and Committees". Or click on the link below.

<https://www.hillsboroughcounty.org/en/government/boards-and-committees/boards-and-councils-forms>



CULTURAL ASSETS COMMISSION

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The newly appointed Cultural Assets Commission of Hillsborough County has recently announced the Special Events Partnership Grant program. This grant program is intended to grow and support Special Events that encourage place making and community-building outcomes aligned with the County's economic and community prosperity goals.

The new Special Events Partnership Grants are project-specific grants with two funding categories: "Pilot Effort" and "Next Level." The Pilot Effort category is intended for events that are new or have not occurred for more than three years and the maximum amount awarded under this category is \$50,000. The Next Level category is intended for Events that are well established and seek to grow and enhance event offerings above and beyond current levels to significantly increase attendance, community-wide impact and appeal. The maximum funding amount under the Next Level category is \$100,000.

Examples of eligible events include:

- Art Festivals
- Local Food Festivals
- Film Festivals
- River Celebration Events
- Celebration of Local Authors
- Music Festivals
- Local Community Historic Events

[The application period for this grant program begins Monday, June 24 and ends Friday, August 2, 2019.](#)

UPCOMING EVENTS IN THE COUNTY

Thursday, July 4 – Independence Day –

The majority of Hillsborough County offices and facilities will be closed on Thursday, July 4 in observance of the Independence Day holiday.

No trash, recycling, or yard waste pick up - see [Holiday Trash Collection Schedule](#) for more information.

All libraries closed - see [Library Holiday Closings](#) for more information

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