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Plant City Neighborhood Meeting

Commissioner Beckner will be hosting his final neighborhood meeting this year in District 4. Each quarter in 2011, the Commissioner has traveled to all of the four single member districts in Hillsborough County.

The **next meeting** will be held in District 4 at **Plant City City Hall** located at **302 W. Reynolds Street** from **6-8pm** on Tuesday, **December 6, 2011.**



The town hall style meeting will continue to act as a way for the Commissioner to hear directly from the citizens of Hillsborough County. Residents are invited to attend to share their concerns, ask questions and present their ideas about how to improve our community.

"Please join me in a conversation about the current state of County government and share your vision for a better Hillsborough County," said Beckner.

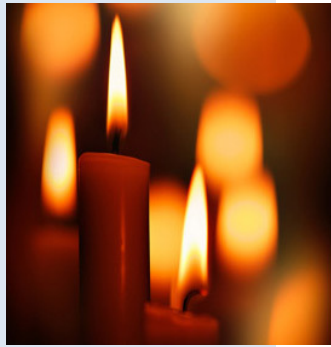


Upcoming Community Office Hours (11:00am – 1:00pm)

Please click [HERE](#) for a complete list of 2011 dates

Friday, November 18: Jan K. Platt Regional Library, 3910 S. Manhattan Avenue
Tampa, FL 33611 813.272.6062

Friday, December 16: Upper Tampa Bay Regional Public Library,
11211 Countryway Blvd Tampa, FL 33626 813.964.2971



NOPE National Candle Light Vigil

Last week the Narcotics Overdose Prevention and Education Task Force held NOPE's 5th Annual National Candle Light Vigil at MOSI.

The Narcotics Overdose Prevention & Education (NOPE) Task Force is a 501 (c)(3) non-profit organization that was formed in Palm Beach County, Florida in 2004, to combat the illegal use of prescription drugs and narcotics, as well as other abused substances. The NOPE Task Force is comprised of community leaders and concerned families working to save lives.

NOPE's mission is to diminish the frequency and impact of overdose deaths through community education, family support and purposeful advocacy.

The NOPE National Candle Light Vigil brings communities together each year during Red Ribbon Week to remember those lost to and suffering from substance abuse. The vigil brings awareness to the consequences our nation faces from the illegal use of prescription and illicit drugs. The NOPE Vigil strives to reduce the stigma surrounding addiction so that those suffering with the disease will openly seek help.

"I applaud the NOPE Task Force and the many community partners, including the Hillsborough County Sheriff's Office, Tampa Police Department, the Hillsborough County School District and MOSI, for their commitment to the prevention and education of those battling addiction," said Beckner.



2011 Tampa Bay Veterans Day Parade

This year the 2011 Tampa Bay Veterans Day Parade will take place on November 12, 2011 from 10:00 a.m. until about 12:30 p.m. The parade route will be on Hanley road from Barry road to Hanley drive.

The Parade is brought to you by Veterans Day Parade Group, Inc, a charitable non-profit organization whose mission is to organize and execute the Parade in honor of all United States Military Veterans for their sacrifice.

Commissioner Beckner will join a host of other elected officials at the Parade to honor all of our service men and women both past and present who have served to protect the citizens of Hillsborough County and the American people.



Current Boards

- Arts Council
- Children's Board
- EPC (*Chair*)
- HART
- MPO
- Public Safety Coordinating Council

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Keeping You Informed

There are seven members of the Board of County Commissioners for Hillsborough County. Four are elected from single-member districts, and three are elected county wide. The Board approves the County's operating and capital budgets and the County's capital improvement program. It may take action on any programs for the improvement of the county and the welfare of its residents.

Under a Charter Ordinance that went into effect in May 1985, County Commissioners are to perform legislative functions of government by developing policy for the overall management of Hillsborough County. The County administrative staff are entrusted with the implementation of these policies



Getting Involved in Your County Government

Regular meetings of the Board of County Commissioners are open to the public and are held on the first and third Wednesdays of each month, beginning at 9 a.m. Speakers generally are limited to 3 minutes. The Commissioners' offices and boardroom are located on the 2nd floor of the County Center, 601 E. Kennedy Boulevard in downtown Tampa.

The meetings also aired live on Hillsborough Television. Check your cable listings for the appropriate channel in your area. Or you can watch the live streaming broadcast at www.CommissionerBeckner.com.

