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Budget Information Session

May 22, 2014

9:30 A.M.

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## AGENDA

### Constitutional Officers & Independent Agencies

1. [Article V](#)
2. [Judiciary](#)
3. [Public Defender](#)
4. [State Attorney](#)
5. [Sheriff](#)

Break – 12:30 – 1:00 P.M.

6. [Public Library Cooperative](#)
7. [Palm Harbor Recreation and Library District](#)
8. [East Lake Library](#)

5<sup>th</sup> Floor Board of County Commissioners Conference Room

9. Review and prioritization of FY 2015 Decision Packages

Order of items is subject to change. All times are approximate. Break may be taken.

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### *Citizen's Comments Will Follow Presentation(s)*

*Any person wishing to speak regarding a work session topic must have a blue card completed and given to the agenda staff at the staff table. The Chair will call the speakers, one by one, to the podium to be heard. Each speaker may speak up to three minutes. Persons who have been authorized to represent a group of five or more individuals, who are present, should each complete blue cards and limit their presentation to 10 minutes.*

# Article V and Court Support Overview

May 22, 2014

# Background

- Article V, Revision 7 of the Florida Constitution redefined the responsibilities of both the State and counties for funding of the state court system
- The County is required to provide certain types of support, such as facilities and technology
- The County also provides support that is not mandated by the Constitution or State Statute
- The total impact of all Court related programs to the General Fund is (\$31.6M) in FY2014

# Background

Court Support Programs are budgeted in various agencies throughout the General Fund:

- Sheriff (including bailiffs)
- Judiciary
- State Attorney
- Public Defender
- Criminal Justice Information System (CJIS)
- General Government (Consolidated Case Management System project)
- Real Estate Management
- Safety and Emergency Services



# Court Support Categories

- I. Required County Functions
- II. Local Options with defined revenue streams
- III. Court Innovations and Other Local Options
- IV. Other Court Related

# I. Required County Functions

- Facilities Operations and Maintenance
- Technology and Communications
- Technology System Projects
- Other mandates

# I. Required County Functions

## Facilities Operations and Maintenance

### Expenditures:

- |                                     |               |
|-------------------------------------|---------------|
| • Court Security (Sheriff)          | \$ 13,180,490 |
| • Building Operations & Maintenance | \$ 5,706,240  |

### Revenue:

- |                       |              |
|-----------------------|--------------|
| • \$30 Facilities Fee | \$ 2,785,000 |
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Net Cost:	( \$16,101,730)
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# I. Required County Functions

## Technology and Communications

### Expenditures:

• Judiciary	\$ 1,391,850
• Public Defender	\$ 379,980
• State Attorney	\$ 258,230
• Criminal Justice Information System (CJIS)	\$4,614,380
• Communications	\$ 392,020

### Revenue:

• \$2 Recording Fee	\$ 1,305,840
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Net Cost:	(\$ 5,730,620)
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# I. Required County Functions

## Technology System Projects

### Expenditures:

- Justice Consolidated Case Management System (CCMS) \$3,514,580

### Revenue:

- \$2 Recording Fee: None available after ongoing costs

Net Cost: (\$3,514,580)

# I. Required County Functions

## Other Mandates

### Expenditures:

- Juvenile Detention (payment to Fla. Department of Juvenile Justice) \$ 4,724,600
- Alternative Sanctions Coordinator \$ 64,700
- Guardianship Monitor \$ 81,540

Revenue: None

Net Cost: (\$ 4,870,840)

# I. Required County Functions

\$ millions	Expenditures	Revenue	Difference
<b>Facilities Operations and Maintenance</b>	<b>\$ 18.9 M</b>	<b>\$ 2.8 M</b>	<b>\$ (16.1 M)</b>
<b>Technology and Communications</b>	<b>7.0 M</b>	<b>1.3 M</b>	<b>( 5.7 M)</b>
<b>Technology System Projects</b>	<b>3.5 M</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>( 3.5 M)</b>
<b>Other Mandates</b>	<b>4.9 M</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>( 4.9 M)</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 34.3 M</b>	<b>\$ 4.1 M</b>	<b>\$ (30.2 M)</b>



## II. Local Options with defined revenue streams

- Behavioral Evaluation
- Teen Court
- Juvenile Arbitration
- Law Library
- Legal Aid

## II. Local Options with defined revenue streams

### Juvenile Programs and Teen Court

#### Expenditures:

• Behavioral Evaluation	\$ 434,640
• Teen Court	\$ 247,280
• Juvenile Arbitration	\$ 421,360

#### Revenue:

• Juvenile Welfare Board grants	\$ 434,640
• \$3 Delinquency Case Fee	\$ 247,280
• \$ 65 Court Fee	\$ 372,450*

\* Includes carry-forward funds

## II. Local Options with defined revenue streams

### Law Library and Legal Aid

#### Expenditures:

• Law Library	\$ 275,150
• Legal Aid	\$ 360,770

#### Revenue:

• \$ 65 Court Fee (Law Library)	\$ 269,510*
• \$ 65 Court Fee (Legal Aid)	\$ 263,780
• Law Library copy machines	\$ 5,000

Net Cost (Legal Aid): (\$ 96,990)

*\* Includes carry-forward funds*

## II. Local Options with defined revenue streams

\$ millions	Expenditures	Revenue	Difference
Behavioral Evaluation, Teen Court, & Juvenile Arbitration *	\$ 1.1 M	\$ 1.1 M	\$ 0
Law Library	0.3 M	0.3 M	0
Legal Aid	0.3 M	0.2 M	( 0.1 M)
Total	\$ 1.7 M	\$ 1.6 M	\$ ( 0.1 M)

*\* Note: Per Statute, unused funds in Juvenile Alternatives are rolled over to support Court Innovations.*

# III. Court Innovations and Other Local Options

- Drug Court
- Court Counsel (Staff Attorneys)
- Administrative Assistance
- Domestic Violence Prevention

# III. Court Innovations and Other Local Options

## Expenditures:

• Drug Court (ongoing + grants)	\$ 773,370
• Court Counsel (Staff Attorneys)	\$ 379,290
• Administrative Assistance	\$ 52,290
• Domestic Violence Prevention (grant)	\$ 118,170

## Revenue:

• \$ 65 Court Fee	\$ 263,780
• Court Innovations carry-forward funds	\$ 329,840
• Drug Court (grant)	\$ 47,420
• Domestic Violence Prevention Grant	\$ 118,170

Net Cost: (\$ 563,910)

# III. Court Innovations and Other Local Options

\$ millions	Expenditures	Revenue	Difference
<b>Drug Court, Staff Attorneys, Administrative Assistance, Domestic Violence Prevention</b>	<b>\$ 1.3 M</b>	<b>\$ 0.7 M</b>	<b>\$ ( 0.6 M)</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 1.3 M</b>	<b>\$ 0.7 M</b>	<b>\$ ( 0.6 M)</b>

*General Fund supports \$600K of Drug Court Local Option expenses in Safety and Emergency Services budget*



## IV. Other Court Related Programs

- Jail Diversion programs
- Incompetent to Proceed (ITP) program
- Guardian ad Litem support

\* *No defined revenue streams other than occasional grants*

# IV. Other Court Related Programs

## Expenditures:

• Jail Diversion*	\$ 356,660
• Incompetent to Proceed	\$ 161,490
• Guardian ad Litem	\$ 187,140

## Revenue:

• None*	\$ 0
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Net Cost: (\$ 705,290)

\* Jail Diversion FY 2014 adopted budget did not include new grants or grant funds carried forward.

## IV. Other Court Related Programs

\$ millions	Expenditures	Revenue	Difference
Jail Diversion	\$ 0.4 M	\$ 0	\$ ( 0.4 M)
Incompetent to Proceed	0.2 M	0	( 0.2 M)
Guardian ad Litem	0.1 M	0	( 0.1 M)
Total	\$ 0.7 M	\$ 0	\$ ( 0.7 M)

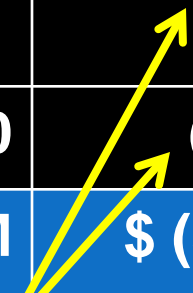
*General Fund supports \$700K of Other Court Related Programs*

# Court Support Categories

- I. Required County Functions
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# Court Support: FY2014 Budget

\$ millions	Expenditures	Revenue	Difference
<b>Required Functions</b>	<b>\$ 34.3 M</b>	<b>\$ 4.1 M</b>	<b>\$ (30.2 M)</b>
<b>Local Options</b>			
--w/ defined revenue	1.7 M	1.6 M	( 0.1 M)
--Court innovations & other Local Opt's	1.3 M	0.7 M	( 0.6 M)
<b>Other Court Related</b>	<b>0.7 M</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>( 0.7 M)</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 38.0 M</b>	<b>\$ 6.4 M</b>	<b>\$ (31.6 M)</b>



*\* Optional County funding without defined revenue streams totals \$1.3 million*

# Questions & Answers

## JUDICIARY

The Judiciary includes operational and administrative support for the Circuit and County Courts within Pinellas County. The Board of County Commissioners provides funding for statutorily required positions, communications, technology, and certain local option programs. Facilities maintenance is budgeted in the Real Estate Management Department under the County Administrator. Court security is included in the Sheriff's budget. All other personnel and operating expenses are either funded through grant awards, fines, and court costs, or are the financial responsibility of the State pursuant to Article V, Revision 7 of the State Constitution..

### 0001 GENERAL FUND

		FY14	FY15	FY15 Request vs.	
Department Revenues by Fund / Account		Budget	Request	FY14 Bud	%
0001	General Fund Tax Support	1,118,960	1,385,030	266,070	23.8%
	Federal and State Grants	165,590	165,590	-	0.0%
	\$2 Fee - Court Technology Support	891,320	889,560	(1,760)	-0.2%
	\$3 Teen Court Delinquency Fee	247,280	266,870	19,590	7.9%
	\$65 Traffic Fee - Juvenile Alternatives	263,780	255,260	(8,520)	-3.2%
	JWB Grant - Juvenile Psychological Services	405,600	405,600	-	0.0%
	\$65 Traffic Fee - Court Innovations	263,780	255,260	(8,520)	-3.2%
	\$65 Traffic Fee - Law Libraries	263,780	255,260	(8,520)	-3.2%
	Charges For Service-Law Libraries	5,000	5,000	-	0.0%
	Revenue Carryover From Prior Years	479,110	336,340	(142,770)	-29.8%
<b>Total Revenues &amp; Fund Balance</b>		<b>4,104,200</b>	<b>4,219,770</b>	<b>115,570</b>	<b>2.8%</b>
Department Expenditures by Program		FTE by Program			
0001	Court Technology	1,391,850	1,503,460	13.0	111,610 8.0%
	(a) Court-County's Statutory Requirements	574,710	602,810	2.0	28,100 4.9%
	Juvenile Arbitration	421,360	365,680	6.0	(55,680) -13.2%
	Teen Court Program	247,280	266,870	4.0	19,590 7.9%
	Behavioral Evaluation	434,640	452,140	5.0	17,500 4.0%
	(c) Administrative Office of the Courts	206,550	167,560	1.5	(38,990) -18.9%
	Drug Court Program	173,370	187,210	2.0	13,840 8.0%
	Court Counsel Program	379,290	394,680	5.8	15,390 4.1%
	Law Libraries	275,150	279,360	1.0	4,210 1.5%
<b>Total Expenditures</b>		<b>4,104,200</b>	<b>4,219,770</b>	<b>115,570</b>	<b>2.8%</b>
Personnel Summary					
County-Funded FTE (Full-time equivalent positions)		42.3	40.3	-2	-4.7%
State-Funded FTE (Full-time equivalent positions) (c)		265.0	TBD		
Total FTE (Full-time equivalent positions)		307.3	TBD		



## JUDICIARY

<b>Target Reconciliation</b>		
FY15 Budget Request Target (a)	\$	654,260
Target Variance	\$	(51,450) <i>under</i>

	FY14 Budget	% of Total	FY15 Request
<b>JUDICIARY TOTAL BUDGET</b>			
County Portion (above)	4,104,200	12.0%	4,219,770
(b) Direct State Support	30,136,958	88.0%	TBD
Total Budget	34,241,158	100.0%	TBD



- (a) The target is only applicable to the Court - Statutory Requirements program. The other programs in the Judiciary budget are intended to be funded by dedicated revenue streams.
- (b) State budget figures include positions and expenditures for the entire Sixth Circuit (Pinellas & Pasco).  
FY15 State budget is not final at this time.
- (c) FY14 budget for Administrative Office of the Courts includes second of two years of grant funding.

## JUDICIARY

### Program Descriptions

Court Technology Program	Article V of the State Constitution requires the counties to provide all reasonable and necessary technology and communications functions for the Judiciary, State Attorney, and Public Defender. Funding is partially supported by Court fees. Judiciary technology includes technical support to the judges and staff; video and audio systems; computer systems and networks; new products and upgrades to applications; training; and teleconferencing, video conferencing, and case management system support.
Court-County's Statutory Requirements	The County is mandated by statute to fund certain court-related activities. These include communication costs associated with Court Operations - including telephone, fax, and network communications; the Guardianship Monitor Program which supports the Probate Judges to ensure that the requirements of court rules and statutes pertaining to guardians are followed; and the Alternative Sanctions Coordinator who attends detention calendars to link families to community social services and provides information to families in unusual or difficult delinquency cases; and makes referrals as appropriate. Also included are Intergovernmental Risk Management cost allocations.
Juvenile Arbitration	To provide early intervention, prevention and diversion services to first-time juvenile offenders, and to relieve overburdened juvenile courts by providing non-judicial dispositions of lesser juvenile offenses. The program staff work with the Public Defender, State Attorney, Judiciary, local law enforcement, and the State Department of Juvenile Justice.
Teen Court Program	Teen Court is a non-judicial juvenile diversion program for youth under 18 years of age and is a part of the Juvenile Arbitration Program. Teen Court's purpose for the teen offender is to interrupt developing patterns of criminal behavior in juveniles by promoting self-esteem, motivation for self-improvement, and a healthy attitude toward authority.
Behavioral Evaluation	The Behavioral Evaluation Program supports the Unified Family Court by providing information regarding the social, emotional, behavioral and cognitive abilities of juveniles, the overall functioning of the family, the child/adult's competence to understand proceedings, and recommended sanctions based on treatment needs. The program enhances the safety and well being of the community through client referrals for psychiatric evaluations and further treatment as deemed appropriate.
Administrative Office of the Courts	Administrative support to the Trial Court Administrator.
Drug Court Program	Drug Court is a Local Option program. The Judiciary budget provides administrative support and oversight for the County's contribution to treatment services of Drug Court participants. Additional Drug Court expenses are found in the Department of Justice and Consumer Services.
Court Counsel Program	Staff attorneys and administrative assistant. These positions are local options and are classified as Court Innovations. Staff attorneys assist 33 Circuit Court judges and 17 County Court judges in Pinellas County. Staff Attorneys review and act on post-conviction motions, prepare orders, respond to judges' requests for trial and pre-trial assistance and respond to requests from the Chief Judge and the public
Law Libraries Program	Depository for legal materials for public use by pro se litigants and members of the bar, located in the Clearwater Old Courthouse. This program promotes trust and confidence in the judicial system by providing an access point for equal justice under the law.

### Decision Package Details

Not Applicable

Request







**CIRCUIT COURT  
THE SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA**

**J. THOMAS MCGRADY**  
CHIEF JUDGE

**HELEN SKIDMORE**  
JUDICIAL ASSISTANT

April 21, 2014

**Criminal Justice Center**  
14250 49th Street North  
Clearwater, FL 33762  
(727) 464-7457

William Berger, Director  
Office of Management and Budget, Pinellas County  
509 S. East Avenue  
Clearwater, FL 33756

Dear Mr. Berger:

Attached are copies of the Sixth Judicial Circuit's budget requests for Court Technology, Statutory Requirements, Court Innovations, Behavioral Evaluations, Juvenile Diversion and Law Libraries.

The mission of the Courts of the Sixth Judicial Circuit is to:

- *Protect and declare the rights and responsibilities of the people;*
- *Uphold and interpret the law;*
- *Provide a forum for the just and peaceful resolution of legal and factual disputes;*
- *Provide meaningful, proactive solutions to chronic social, human and legal problems of those who come before the Court in cases and disputes that lend themselves to such approaches.*

The Court has six (6) operating budgets, five (5) of which are supported by revenue collections and/or grant awards (Court Technology, Court Innovations, Behavioral Evaluations, Juvenile Diversion and Law Library) in Pinellas County. The Court's Statutory Requirements budget is the only operating budget not currently supported by revenue collections in Pinellas County and is supported fully by the Pinellas County General Revenue Fund.

For FY 2015, the Office of Management and Budget set a base budget target amount of \$654,260 for the Statutory Requirements budget. Our budget submission in the Statutory Requirements cost center is \$602,810. Additionally, we were asked to remain revenue neutral in our revenue supported cost centers, which I plan to do. Finally, Pinellas County program directors and Constitutional Officers were asked to limit expenditures to 95% in FY 14, which I will do.

The Court's total budget request for Fiscal Year 2015 is \$4,219,770, which is an increase of approximately 2.74% from our FY 2014 budget allocation of \$4,104,200. The increase is a

result of higher insurance rates, increases to the Court's Risk Allocations in the Law Library and Statutory Requirements budgets, and a potential salary increase for personnel.

The following narrative details each of the Court's operating budgets for Pinellas County:

**Law Library:                      \$279,360**

**(1) FTE (Law Library Manager)**

The Law Library budget request for FY 2015 is \$279,360. The Law Library budget is supported by revenue generated from s.939.185, Fla. Statutes (25% of the \$65 Court cost). The Court and the Law Library Board of Trustees continue to evaluate sources for additional revenue to help offset the decline in revenue from 939.185 funding. Currently, the Law Library receives approximately \$10,000 in donations and \$5,000 in fees for copies/faxes annually.

The Law Library is designed to promote trust and confidence in the judicial system by providing an access point for equal justice under the law. This access to legal information assists any interested citizen of Pinellas County in determining their legal rights and responsibilities. The Law Librarian selects and maintains a collection of legal material in accordance with the County Law Library Standards of the American Association of Law Libraries. Typical expenditures associated with this budget include: salary and benefits for one (1) FTE, office supplies, printing, legal publications, risk management, operating supplies and copier maintenance.

**Statutory Requirements:    \$602,810**

**(2) FTE    (1 Guardianship Monitor, 1 Alternative Sanctions Coordinator)**

The Statutory Requirements budget request for FY 2015 is \$602,810. This Court budget is funded with Pinellas County General Revenue funds. The Statutory Requirements budget houses the Court's Risk Management allocation which is determined by the Office of Management and Budget. In addition to Risk Management, this budget supports ADA accommodations that the County is responsible to fund, minimal operating costs and two (2) FTE statutorily mandated positions: Alternative Sanctions Coordinator and Guardianship Monitor. The Courts' Risk Management allocation is \$469,830, which is a \$48,880 increase from FY 2014.

The Alternative Sanctions Coordinator attends detention calendars and delinquency arraignments to identify Unified Family Court-related cases and makes requested alternative sanctions recommendations, provides information to families in unusual or difficult delinquency cases, connects juveniles found incompetent to proceed on misdemeanor cases (who are ineligible for competency training) to appropriate services, and attends Truancy Court and other Court calendars to link families to community social services.

The Guardianship Monitor provides initial and on-going investigations and monitoring of Guardians appointed by the Court. The Guardianship Monitor supports judges assigned to the Probate, Guardianship, and Mental Health Division to help ensure that the requirements of the Court rules and statutes pertaining to the appointment and removal of guardians are followed. The monitor reports on the well-being of the ward and the protection of the ward's assets, and assists judges and general magistrates by managing case flow and monitoring case reporting and recording requirements specified under Probate Rules of Court, Part III and Chapter 744, Florida Statutes. The monitor provides safeguards to Pinellas County citizens who through illness and

incapacity are under the Court's supervision. The Monitor notes any discrepancies, non-compliance with statutory requirements and any other problems and reports findings to the Court.

**Juvenile Diversion:                   \$632,550**

**(10) FTE (1 Program Coordinator, 1 Senior Court Program Specialist, 2 Court Program Specialist II, 4 Court Program Specialist I, 2 Sr. Secretary Specialists)**

The Juvenile Diversion budget request for FY 2015 is \$632,550. The Juvenile Diversion program is fully supported by revenue generated from s.939.185, Fla. Statutes (25% of the \$65 Court cost fee) and revenue generated from the Teen Court Trust fund for those services directly related to Teen Court. The Juvenile Diversion Program and Teen Court Program divert juvenile delinquents from Juvenile Court, Traffic Court, from local law enforcement and school resource officers through a new direct diversion initiative and from the State Attorney's Office. Last year the Juvenile Diversion Program served more than 3,000 youthful offenders. The program maintains a budget ratio of less than \$150 per juvenile offender, which historically has been substantially less than the reported cost to house a juvenile offender in the juvenile detention center. Typical program expenditures include: salary and benefits for ten (10) FTE, office supplies, printing, postage, copier maintenance, arbitrator fees, and mileage reimbursement. Currently, there is one vacant FTE position in this budget. It is my intention to leave that position vacant during FY 2015, absent exigent circumstances, due to declining revenue.

**Court Innovations Budget:                   \$749,450**

**(11) FTE (1 Administrative Assistant III, 4 Staff Attorneys, 2 Drug Court Case Managers, 1 PTE Administrative Assistant 1) \* Includes 3 Grant-Funded positions**

The Court Innovations budget request for FY 2015 is \$749,450. During FY 2013 (2) two grant awards that support Drug Court and Domestic Violence Court were moved from the Justice and Consumer Services budget to the Court's Budget. It is anticipated that the grant funding will be continued for FY 2015. The grants provide funding for 1.5 FTE for Domestic Violence Court and 1 FTE for Drug Court, plus minimal operating expenses. The operating expenses are in the Justice and Consumer Services budget, while the personnel costs are in the Courts budget. In addition to the grant-funded positions, the Court Innovations budget supports (2) two Drug Court positions, (4) four Staff Attorneys positions, (1) one Administrative Assistant III position, and (1) one half-time secretarial position in Court Counsel's office. Currently, there is (1) one vacant FTE position in the Court Innovations, which I have defunded due to declining revenue collections.

Court Counsel personnel funded through the Court Innovations budget assist in providing legal services to the 49 Circuit and County judges assigned to Pinellas County. Personnel also review and take action on post-conviction motions within six months of filing, prepare proposed orders for post-conviction motions, respond to requests by judges for trial and pre-trial assistance and respond to requests from the Chief Judge. Office Staff also provide administrative and clerical support for all of these tasks and responds to inquiries from the public.

The operating goals for the Drug Court program are to demonstrate a felony recidivism rate of no more than twenty percent (20%) for program graduates, measured at 12 and 24 months from program graduation, attain a retention rate of sixty percent (60%) for all program participants, and demonstrate a felony re-arrest rate of less than twenty percent (20%) for active

program participants. Eighty percent (80%) of the program participants will retain or obtain employment, obtain a GED or be actively participating in a GED or other educational program upon graduation.

The Court Innovations budget is supported by revenue from Florida Statute 939.185, F.S. (25% of the \$65 Court cost) and two grants awards. Typical expenditures include salary and benefits, office supplies, printing, postage, copier maintenance, mileage reimbursement, and contractual services.

**Behavioral Evaluation Budget: \$452,140**

**(5) FTE (3 Psychologists, 1 Social Worker and 1 Secretary)**

The Behavioral Evaluation Program (BEP) budget request for FY 2015 is \$452,140. The program evaluates approximately 500 Pinellas County youths annually and provides consultation, training, and testimony in Court as needed.

The BEP program is supported by a grant from the Juvenile Welfare Board and revenue from Florida Statute s.939.185, F.S. (25% of the \$65 Court cost fee for Court innovations). Typical expenditures include salary and benefits, office supplies, printing, postage, copier maintenance, communications, forms, testing materials, mileage reimbursement, and contractual services.

**Court Technology Budget: \$1,503,460**

**(12) FTE (1 Distributed System Network Coordinator, 1 Video/Audio Operations Coordinator, 6 Senior User Support Analysts, 4 User Support Analysts)**

The Court Technology Budget request for FY 2015 is \$1,503,460. Court Technology staff support 7 courthouse locations in Pinellas County and 266 Court personnel. The Court technology budget is supported by revenue from Section 28.24(12) (e) 1., F.S., and Pinellas County general revenue. In recent years, the Courts Technology department has assumed additional job duties as a result of reduced funding and staffing in BTS, Facilities Management, and the Communications department, as well as a new Case Management system being implemented by the CJIS User Policy Board. For fiscal year 2015, I have transferred a vacant position from my Court Innovation budget to Court Technology.

The Court Technology Office plans, designs, installs and maintains courtroom audio, video, computer, and data management systems, including video advisory systems, evidence viewing equipment and Court recording systems. The office provides broad-based technology expertise to the Circuit in multiple areas including, but not limited to, broadcast engineering, use of computerized graphics, mainframe case management systems, office support software, electronic research, fax machines and copiers, photo equipment, statistical reporting, web design, computer network design, emergency management and security, technology product updates, legal databases, scanning hardware, digital signage, remote interpreting and document management software.

The Technology office also supports, maintains, and inventories all hardware and software (video and computer); networks which cover Court buildings, jails, and juvenile detention facilities across two counties; mainframe, email; Westlaw/Lexis; firmware upgrades for video used by multiple Court-related agencies; virus protection and other security features; computer backup systems, and disability accommodation equipment. The office provides support



to Court and Court-adjunct staff in a manner which provides scheduling flexibility, maximum functionality, and service orientation based on the way Court operates.

The Court Technology office is charged with providing technological solutions to save operating time and cost for the Court and other agencies interacting with the Court. The Court Technology office also troubleshoots all video and audio systems, databases, computer systems and the networks; researches new products and solutions; provides upgrades and new applications including general user instruction as necessary.

Typical program expenditures include salary and benefits, office supplies, printing, copier lease and maintenance, communications, training, mileage reimbursement and equipment purchases (non-capital/capital). Court Technology staff is located in 3 of the 7 courthouse locations in Pinellas County. They are responsible for all Court-related emergency management procedures, technology staff training, hardware, software, audio, video and teleconference activity for Court staff, courtrooms, conference rooms and hearing rooms.

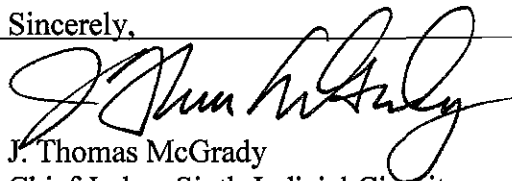
Revenue collections from existing revenue streams, carryover from FY 2014 revenue collections, new grant awards, as well as new revenue sources may affect my budget request. Additionally, the grant funding we receive from the Juvenile Welfare Board will not be confirmed until September 2014. Please understand that while the information contained in this letter represents our best estimate of what our FY 2014-2015 request will look like, it may be necessary to make adjustments based on revenue collections and funding decisions regarding grant awards by the Juvenile Welfare Board.

Currently, salary increases for state court system employees are being considered by the Senate in the Florida Legislature for fiscal year 2015. I have included a 3% salary increase in my FY 2015 request in the event an increase is formalized and approved by the legislature for my State budget. In the event a salary increase is not approved in my State budget, the budgeted increase in the County budget will not be utilized. It is my intention to mirror my Pinellas County and Pasco County budget requests to the actions taken by the Legislature.

Respectfully, I submit the Court's FY 2015 budget. The Court has historically stayed within our budget allocation, cooperated with budget restrictions, and made cuts in prior years beyond what were required of us. It is my intention to continue to work with the Commission and reduce operational costs whenever possible.

Thank you for your understanding. As always, should you have any questions or require further information, please contact me.

Sincerely,



J. Thomas McGrady  
Chief Judge, Sixth Judicial Circuit

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Attachments

cc: Members of the Board of County Commission  
Gay Inskeep, Trial Court Administrator



## PUBLIC DEFENDER

The Public Defender's office provides legal advice, counsel, and defense services to needy and financially indigent citizens accused of crimes, as required by Florida law. The County portion of the budget funds Article V related technology requirements, the Jail Diversion and Incompetent to Proceed programs. A new program, SOAR, is proposed to receive County funding in FY15.

### 0001 GENERAL FUND

Department Revenues by Fund / Account		FY14 Budget	FY15 Request		FY15 Request vs. FY14 Bud %	
0001	General Fund Tax Support	654,800	940,570		285,770	43.6%
	Federal and State Grants (a)	-	-		-	0.0%
	Document Recording Fees (\$2 Fee)	243,330	151,530		(91,800)	-37.7%
<b>Total Revenues &amp; Fund Balance</b>		<b>898,130</b>	<b>1,092,100</b>		<b>193,970</b>	<b>21.6%</b>
<b>Department Expenditures by Program</b>				<b>FTE by Program</b>		
0001	Public Defender - Technology	379,980	256,100	n/a	(123,880)	-32.6%
	Jail Diversion - BCC Funds	356,660	612,430	n/a	255,770	71.7%
	Incompetent to Proceed	161,490	163,570	n/a	2,080	1.3%
	SSI/SSDI Outreach, Access, and Recovery (SOAR)	-	60,000	n/a	60,000	n/a
<b>Total Expenditures</b>		<b>898,130</b>	<b>1,092,100</b>		<b>193,970</b>	<b>21.6%</b>
<b>Personnel Summary</b>						
County-Funded FTE (Full-time equivalent positions)		0.0		0.0	0	*****
State-Funded FTE (Full-time equivalent positions)		228.0		228.0		
Total FTE (Full-time equivalent positions)		228.0		228.0		

#### Target Reconciliation

FY15 Budget Request Target (b)	\$	526,960	
Target Variance	\$	309,040	over

PUBLIC DEFENDER TOTAL BUDGET		FY14 Budget	% of Total	FY15 Request
County Portion (above, excluding grants)		898,130	6.0%	1,092,100
(c) Direct State Support		14,085,541	94.0%	14,288,736
Federal/Grants/Fees/Misc		-	0.0%	-
Total Budget		14,983,671	100.0%	15,380,836



(a) Grant funding in support of the Jail Diversion Program is dependent on future approvals. FY13 was the last year of previous grants.

(b) The target is only applicable to the Jail Diversion -BCC Funds and Incompetent to Proceed (ITP) programs, excluding grant-supported expenditures.

These programs are completely discretionary. **The target compliance calculation includes the request for \$310,000 in additional BCC funding.**

The Technology program is assumed to be subject to Article V requirements.

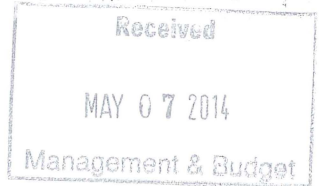
(c) State budget figures include positions and expenditures for the entire Sixth Circuit (Pinellas & Pasco).

## PUBLIC DEFENDER

### Program Descriptions

NAME	DESCRIPTION
Public Defender-Technology Program	Article V of the State Constitution requires counties to provide funding for all reasonable and necessary technology and communications functions for the Judiciary, State Attorney and Public Defender. Funding is partially supported by Court Fees.
Public Defender-Jail Diversion-BCC Funds	This program is a collaborative effort of the Public Defender, State Attorney, Pinellas County Sheriff, the Judiciary, and local service providers to reduce the incidence and length of incarceration of individuals diagnosed with mental illness or co-occurring mental health and substance abuse disorder.
Public Defender-Jail Diversion-State DCF Grants	This is supplemental grant funding for the Jail Diversion Program. The availability and amounts of grants are variable and subject to approval by State authorities.
Incompetent to Proceed	Since FY07, the Board of County Commissioners has funded a program for case management assistance to non-violent criminal misdemeanor offenders who have mental health issues. These persons are not eligible for other jail diversion programs which are only available to felony offenders.
SOAR Program	The SSI/SSDI Outreach, Access, and Recovery (SOAR) program allows for Social Security disability benefits to be received in three to six months, as opposed to the one to three years on a regular application. Proposed funding is for one position in the Public Defender's Office to assist clients in having benefits available when they are released from jail.





**BOB DILLINGER**  
**PUBLIC DEFENDER**  
SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA

**MEMORANDUM**

To: Honorable Karen Seel, Commission Chair  
Honorable Susan Latvala, Commission Vice-Chair  
Honorable Charlie Justice  
Honorable Janet Long  
Honorable John Morroni  
Honorable Norm Roche  
Honorable Kenneth Welch

From: Bob Dillinger *BD*

Date: May 5, 2014

Re: Public Defender Budget

The Public Defender has reduced \$123,880 from the previous year's budget due to a reduction in computer related needs.

The Public Defender's Office just finished a three-year, \$750,000 grant from the Department of Children and Families to address the chronic inebriate situation. The statistics of the success of that program are attached. The program involved medical detox, placement and case management. While many view the chronics as somewhat of a nuisance, the chronic inebriate is actually a very expensive population to the taxpayers of Pinellas County.

The Public Defender has also requested a SOAR position to address the disability needs of Public Defender clients. The SOAR program allows for Social Security disability benefits to be received in three to six months, as opposed to the one to three years on a regular application. We have done SOAR on a very limited basis, but with a full-time SOAR person, we could have benefits for clients when they are released from the jail. Having benefits available immediately allows people to put deposits down for rental and utilities. It also prevents people from receiving a very large check, since the benefits are from the date of application and oftentimes that, as previously mentioned, is one to three years. It is usually not productive when people receive a large check of that nature.

I realize everyone is asking for additional money in light of having not had any increase, in reality, since 2008. I believe these services, as proposed or even as reduced by this board, would be beneficial to the taxpayers and to the clients who are in need of these services.

If there are any questions, please feel free to contact me.

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**PUBLIC DEFENDER OFFICES**

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## RECAP CHRONIC INEBRIATE DCF EXPANSION GRANT

YEAR	NUMBER OF CLIENTS	ARRESTS BEFORE JD	May 2011 – February 2014		DECEASED CLIENTS
			ARRESTS AFTER JD	PERCENTAGE DECREASE ARRESTS	
<b>2011</b>	37	536	12	98%	2
<b>2012</b>	84	1,150	63	95%	0
<b>2013</b>	40	853	23	97%	0
<b>TOTALS</b>	161	2,539	98	96%	

AVERAGE COST SPENT PER CLIENT - \$3,397

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# RECAP JAIL DIVERSION PROGRAM

APRIL 2004 - DECEMBER 2013

YEAR	NUMBER CLIENTS	ARRESTS BEFORE JD	ARRESTS AFTER JD	PERCENTAGE DECREASE ARRESTS	DECEASED CLIENTS
<b>2004</b>	199	1005	201	80%	6
<b>2005</b>	601	4300	841	80%	11
<b>2006</b>	563	3585	320	91%	7
<b>2007</b>	602	4891	179	96%	5
<b>2008</b>	459	3320	88	97%	8
<b>2009</b>	625	4925	285	94%	3
<b>2010</b>	605	4800	302	94%	2
<b>2011</b>	473	3818	217	94%	4
<b>2012</b>	382	3229	200	94%	1
<b>2013</b>	347	3195	141	96%	0
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>4856</b>	<b>37,068</b>	<b>2,774</b>	<b>93%</b>	

**2004 COVERS APRIL - DECEMBER ONLY**





## STATE ATTORNEY

The State Attorney represents the State of Florida in the circuit and county courts and is responsible for conducting criminal prosecutions of all persons charged with violating state, county, and/or local laws and ordinances. The State Attorney reviews charges and complaints to determine whether they warrant prosecution and trial. In addition to court duties, the State Attorney provides legal advice in criminal matters to all law enforcement agencies and works with these agencies to provide in-service training. The County portion of the budget funds Article V related technology requirements.

### 0001 GENERAL FUND

Department Revenues by Fund / Account		FY14 Budget	FY15 Request		FY15 Request vs. FY14 Bud %	
0001	General Fund Tax Support	92,870	109,680		16,810	18.1%
	Document Recording Fees (\$2 Fee)	165,360	158,930		(6,430)	-3.9%
<b>Total Revenues &amp; Fund Balance</b>		<b>258,230</b>	<b>268,610</b>		<b>10,380</b>	<b>4.0%</b>
<b>Department Expenditures by Program</b>				<b>FTE by Program</b>		
0001	State Attorney - Technology	258,230	268,610	n/a	10,380	4.0%
<b>Total Expenditures</b>		<b>258,230</b>	<b>268,610</b>		<b>10,380</b>	<b>4.0%</b>
<b>Personnel Summary</b>						
County-Funded FTE (Full-time equivalent positions)		0.0		0.0	0	*****
State-Funded FTE (Full-time equivalent positions)		475.0		475.0		
Total FTE (Full-time equivalent positions)		475.0		475.0		

#### Target Reconciliation

FY15 Budget Request Target (a)	Not Applicable
Target Variance	Not Applicable

STATE ATTORNEY TOTAL BUDGET		FY14 Budget	% of Total	FY15 Request	% of Total
County Portion (above)		258,230	0.8%	268,610	0.8%
(b) Direct State Support		32,985,747	99.2%	33,546,689	99.2%
Total Budget		33,243,977	100.0%	33,815,299	100.0%

- (a) The Technology program is assumed to be funded by Article V revenues and does not have a target.  
(b) State budget figures include positions and expenditures for the entire Sixth Circuit (Pinellas & Pasco).



## STATE ATTORNEY

### Program Descriptions

State Attorney-Technology

Article V of the State Constitution requires counties to provide funding for all reasonable and necessary technology and communications functions for the Judiciary, State Attorney and Public Defender. Funding is partially supported by Court Fees.





OFFICE OF THE STATE ATTORNEY  
SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA  
PASCO AND PINELLAS COUNTIES

**BERNIE MCCABE**  
State Attorney

April 25, 2014

Mr. Barry Lupiani  
Office of Management and Budget  
Clearwater, Florida

Re: Budget Request FY15

Dear Mr. Lupiani:

Our budget request for FY15 has been placed in the Oracle system and is a 4% increase over the current FY14 budget. This increase is due to the fact that the county went from a leasing system to an outright purchase for PCs needed. We need to replace 147 computers in FY 15. Additionally, we use a centralized dictation system through the phone lines for all dictation in Pinellas County. Our current system is very close to being non-supported and we must replace it in FY15.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Donald K. Nelson".

Donald K. Nelson  
Executive Director

DKN/bat



## SHERIFF

Pursuant to Florida Statutes, the Sheriff is the chief law enforcement officer within the County. The Sheriff is required to provide basic services to all citizens residing within Pinellas County. These include law enforcement, jail operations, and court security. The Sheriff also tracks sexual predators/offenders, conducts flight operations, investigates child protection cases, serves civil process, manages pre-trial services and court security, and conducts joint operations with state and federal law enforcement agencies. The Sheriff serves as the primary law enforcement officer to unincorporated areas of Pinellas County and to 13 of the county's 24 municipalities pursuant to contract. Additionally, the Sheriff provides a variety of law enforcement services to the other 14 municipalities and contracts with many of these cities for specialized services. Approximately 14% of the Sheriff's budget (34% of the Law Enforcement function) provides service specifically to the unincorporated area (Municipal Services Taxing Unit, or MSTU).

### 0001 GENERAL FUND

Department Revenues by Fund / Account		FY14 Original Budget (a)	FY15 Request		FY15 Request vs. FY14 Bud	%
0001	General Fund Tax Support	193,289,500	201,661,820		8,372,320	4.3%
	Federal And State Grants	-	-		-	0.0%
	Local & Shared Grant Revenue	641,730	642,640		910	0.1%
	Charge For Services - Civil Income	626,020	540,130		(85,890)	-13.7%
	Charge For Services - Contracts	27,213,350	27,822,980		609,630	2.2%
	Court Revenues	851,620	828,570		(23,050)	-2.7%
	Reimbursements & Other Misc Revenues	3,791,630	4,113,560		321,930	8.5%
<b>Total Revenues &amp; Fund Balance</b>		<b>226,413,850</b>	<b>235,609,700</b>	<b>FTE by Program</b>	<b>9,195,850</b>	<b>4.1%</b>
<b>Department Expenditures by Program</b>						
0001	Law Enforcement	112,553,790	118,191,870	<b>1,067.0</b>	5,638,080	5.0%
	Detention And Corrections	97,533,380	100,435,460	<b>1,067.0</b>	2,902,080	3.0%
	Judicial Operations	16,326,680	16,982,370	<b>191.0</b>	655,690	4.0%
<b>Total Expenditures</b>		<b>226,413,850</b>	<b>235,609,700</b>		<b>9,195,850</b>	<b>4.1%</b>
<b>Personnel Summary</b>						
Total FTE (Full-time equivalent positions)		<b>2,325.0</b>		<b>2,325.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0%</b>

#### Target Reconciliation

FY15 Budget Request Target	\$	236,109,700	
Target Variance (b)	\$	(500,000)	under

#### FY15 Decision Package Requests

Additional Funding Proposed	\$	15,317,850
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(a) FY14 Original Budget. Does not Include Supplemental Appropriations for increased Grants, Contracts, and Other Revenue  
As of May 8, 2014, a total of \$2.6 million in supplemental grants, contracts, and other revenue had been approved for FY14.

FY14 and FY15 do not include \$500,000 for estimated Law Enforcement Trust Fund allocations.

**(b) Target compliance is calculated on base budget request (Submitted Budget); excludes proposed additional funding.**

Note: An additional \$10,000 is budgeted in FY14 and proposed for FY15 in the School Crossing Guard Trust Fund.

## SHERIFF

### Program Descriptions

Law Enforcement	The Law Enforcement program provides full primary law enforcement services in the unincorporated area of the County as well as 13 cities. The cities currently under contract with the Sheriff's office to provide full services are Belleair Beach, Belleair Bluffs, Belleair Shore, Dunedin, Indian Rocks Beach, Madeira Beach, North Redington Beach, Redington Beach, South Pasadena, Oldsmar, Safety Harbor, Seminole, and St. Pete Beach. The Sheriff's office also has contractual agreements with other cities in the county for specific services. In addition, Law Enforcement provides a wide range of county-wide services, including SWAT, canine, the Sexual Predator and Offender Tracking (SPOT) unit and the airborne Flight Unit. This program also encompasses supporting services such as fleet maintenance, training, records, and evidence.
Detention and Corrections	The Detention and Corrections Bureau is charged with the care and custody of over 3,000 inmates on a daily basis as they await trial or as they serve their county sentences in the Pinellas County Jail and the Inmate Healthcare facility. The Bureau is committed to providing a safe and secure environment for inmates and staff; providing jail programs that help inmates with their reorientation to society; and enhancing professionalism of the staff through training and educational programs.
Judicial Operations	Judicial Operations provides security and support to the Circuit and County court system. Sheriff's deputies are at the front doors and at the judges' sides at five courthouses in Pinellas County. They ensure the security of hundreds of courthouse employees and the thousands of citizens who come to the court houses every day to conduct business, appear for proceedings or serve on a jury. Florida State Statutes also require the Sheriff's Office to serve all enforceable civil process (writs, warrants, subpoenas, and other legal documents). Judicial Operations is also responsible for the operations of the misdemeanor/probation program which handles over 2,000 cases at any given time.
School Crossing Guard Fund	The School Crossing Guard Trust fund is used to account for collection and distribution of a surcharge on parking fines assessed under Pinellas County Code Section 122-32(6) for funding training programs for school crossing guards. This program is administered by the Sheriff.





**Sheriff Bob Gualtieri**

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**Pinellas County Sheriff's Office**

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May 1, 2014

Honorable Karen Williams Seel, Chair  
Pinellas County Board of County Commissioners  
315 Court Street  
Clearwater, FL 33756

Dear Commissioner Seel:

Please find enclosed our "submitted" line item budget for FY2015. This signed and "submitted" budget meets the budget target requested of PCSO by the Board of County Commissioners.

Our FY2015 Submitted Budget request is \$235,609,700. Our non-General Fund revenue is \$31,305,370, making our actual General Fund request, less other funding resources \$204,304,330.

This budget is submitted without consideration for the increased employer FRS contributions as the Legislature has not yet passed the bill determining those rates. Absent last minute changes by the Legislature, we anticipate this amount will not exceed \$700,000.

I am also submitting an unsigned Proposed Budget of \$250,927,550, which exceeds the target budget by \$15,317,850. The non-General Fund revenue in this budget remains the same, making the net General Fund request in the Proposed Budget \$219,622,180.

When I met with the Board last year I explained the dire situation with our employee compensation system and its adverse effect on competitive hiring and employee retention; the problems we have been experiencing with postponing capital purchases; and operational issues we are experiencing due to not updating technology or investing in our infrastructure. Those problems have not been resolved and in fact are worse today than they were a year ago.

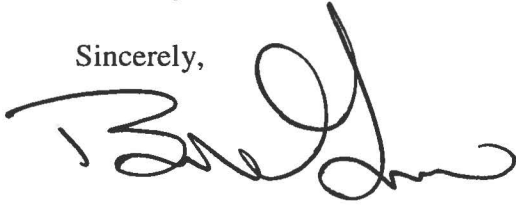
This Proposed Budget accurately reflects our needed funding resources and will allow us to address serious operational deficiencies that the Submitted Budget will require we continue to postpone, and cause exacerbation of some very real problems.

May 1, 2014  
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I am presenting our budget request to the Board on May 15, 2014 and will provide detailed explanations of what the Proposed Budget contains, why the request is necessary and what is omitted from the Submitted Budget if the additional funding is not approved. In general terms the increased funding is to fix our fractured compensation system and to make operating and capital purchases that are essential to our continuity of operations.

I look forward to working collaboratively and having good dialogue with the Board during this budget process to meet the public safety needs of our citizens throughout Pinellas County.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Bob Gualtieri', with a stylized, flowing script.

Sheriff Bob Gualtieri  
Pinellas County, Florida

BG/jsc





**Sheriff Bob Gualtieri**  
**Pinellas County Sheriff's Office**

# FY15 Budget Presentation



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## **Brief Overview of Responsibilities**

### Law Enforcement:

- PCSO's primary service area includes 50% of the county's land and 70% of its waterways.
- We are responsible for primary law enforcement to 41% of the county's total population, with the other 59% served by 10 different police departments.



# Sheriff Bob Gualtieri

## Pinellas County Sheriff's Office

### Brief Overview of Responsibilities – Pinellas County Jail

- Average Daily Population:
  - Pinellas County Jail: approximately 3,000.
  - Safe Harbor: approximately 400.
  - Pre-trial release supervision, electronic monitoring, and day reporting: approximately 800.
  - Misdemeanor probation supervision: approximately 2,800.
- 7,000 people in custody and/or being supervised by PCSO.



## Brain Drain

- Human capital crisis
- Institutional expertise that has been lost through retirement/attrition.
- Succession planning and leadership development are a top organizational priority.
- 51% of current law enforcement deputies have less than two years experience.



### Brain Drain

- Chief Deputy must retire in 8 months.
- 6 Majors are all in DROP or are retirement eligible.
- The most senior law enforcement Captain has 6 years in his position.
  - 4 of the 8 law enforcement Captains have less than 2 years in their positions.
- 3 of the 4 corrections Captains will retire this year, as well as the Major. DCB will have all new command staff except one Captain by the end of 2014.
- 9 of the 26 law enforcement Lieutenants have less than 2 years in their positions and all but 5 have less than 6 years experience.



# Sheriff Bob Gualtieri

## Pinellas County Sheriff's Office

### Management Structure Is Flat

- Our management structure is flat. The Detention & Corrections Bureau Major has 1,100 employees under his command. The Major of the Patrol Operations Bureau commands almost 700 employees.
- Patrol North District has 94 deputies and 9 sergeants
  - Averages 10.4 deputies per sergeant
- Patrol Central District has 157 deputies and 18 sergeants
  - Averages 8.7 deputies per sergeant
- Combined there is an average of 9.3 deputies per sergeant in Patrol



# Sheriff Bob Gualtieri

## Pinellas County Sheriff's Office

### PCSO Law Enforcement Deputy to Citizen Ratio CY 09 – CY 12

**Number of Law Enforcement Officers Per 1,000 Citizens as  
Reported by the Florida Department of Law Enforcement\***

2009	2010	2011	2012
1.80	1.60	1.50	1.49

*\* FDLE reports by number of certifications by agency. These numbers do not include concurrent certifications.*



# Sheriff Bob Gualtieri

## Pinellas County Sheriff's Office

### 2012 Officer to Citizen Ratio Local Agencies

Agency	Ratio Per 1,000 Residents
St. Petersburg Police Department	2.22
Clearwater Police Department	2.12
Largo Police Department	1.71
Tarpon Springs Police Department	1.94
Tampa Police Department	2.84
Pinellas County Sheriff's Office	1.49

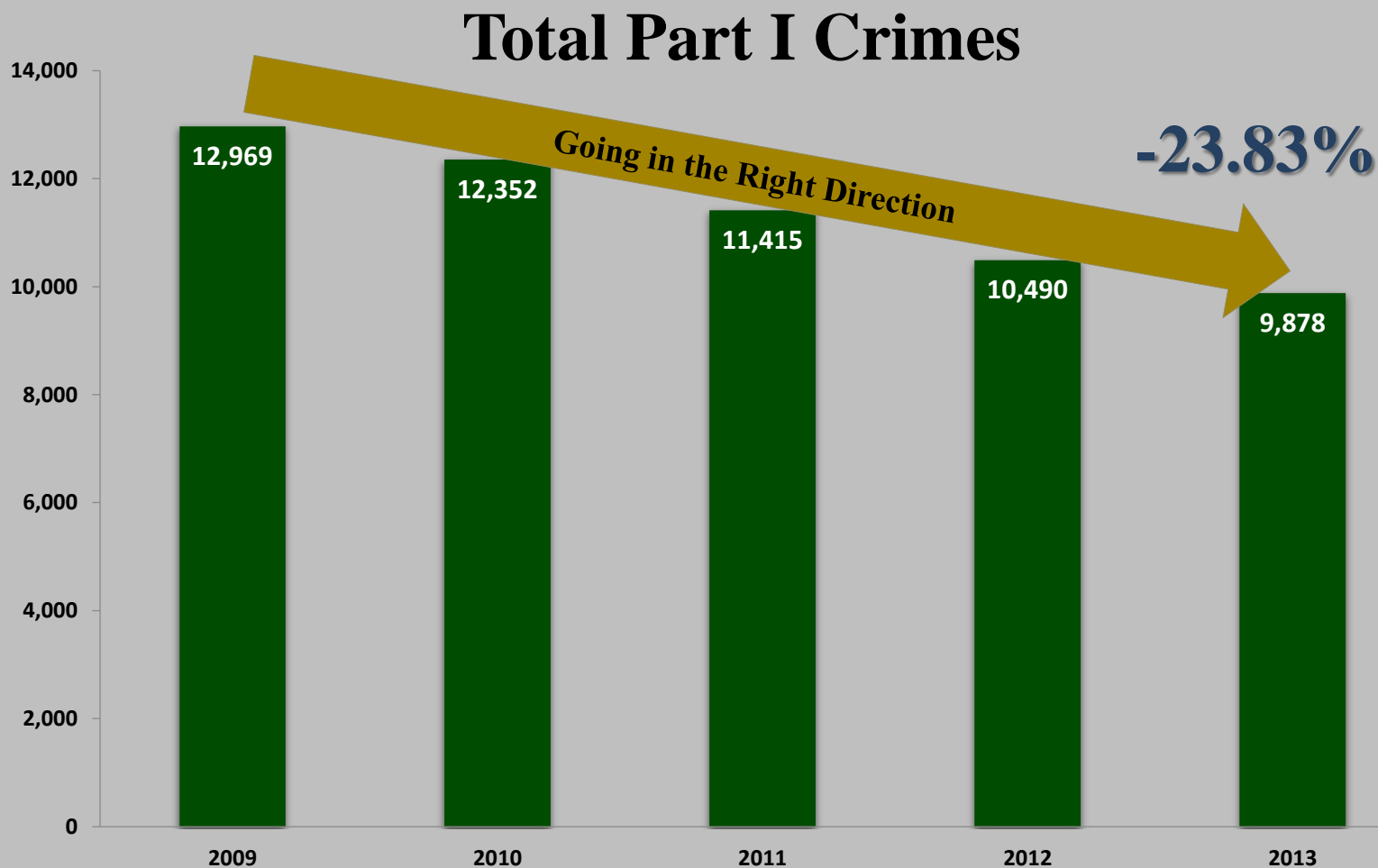
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# Sheriff Bob Gualtieri

## Pinellas County Sheriff's Office



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# Sheriff Bob Gualtieri

## Pinellas County Sheriff's Office

### FY 15 Budget Target

- FY 15 Budget Target \$ 235,609,700
- FY 15 Budget Submission \$ 235,609,700
- Under/Over Target \$ 0



# Sheriff Bob Gualtieri

## Pinellas County Sheriff's Office

### FY 15 Net Request from BCC

- **FY 15 Budget Submission** **\$ 235,609,700**
- **Sheriff's Office Generated Revenue** **\$ 31,305,370**
- *School Crossing Guard Fund* *\$ 10,000*
- **FY 15 Net Request from BCC** **\$ 204,294,330**



# Sheriff Bob Gualtieri

## Pinellas County Sheriff's Office

### FY 15 PCSO Generated Revenue

Summary of Revenue Sources	Amount
Municipal/Other Law Enforcement Contracts	\$ 16,371,270
Ancillary Services Contracts	\$ 763,950
Law Enforcement Fees & Charges	\$ 2,504,220
Detention & Corrections Fees & Charges	\$ 9,224,850
Judicial Operations Fees & Charges	\$ 2,441,080
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 31,305,370</b>

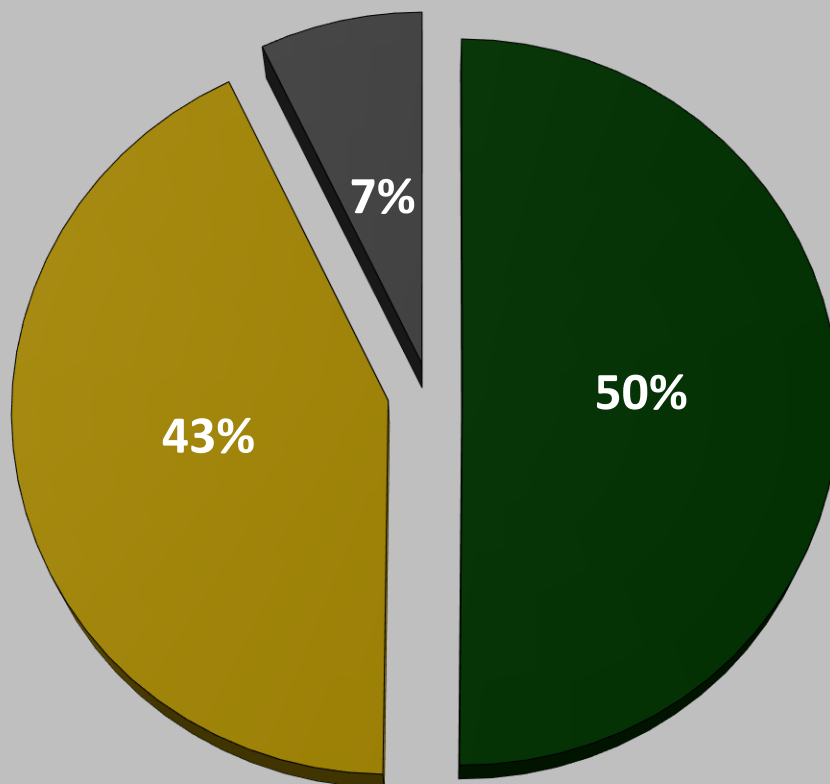


# Sheriff Bob Gualtieri

## Pinellas County Sheriff's Office

### Sheriff's Office FY 2015 Budget

■ Law Enforcement    ■ Detention and Corrections    ■ Judicial Operations



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# Sheriff Bob Gualtieri

## Pinellas County Sheriff's Office

**Personal  
Services**

**87%**

**13%**

**Operating  
Expenses**

**Capital  
Outlay**

**.004%**

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# Sheriff Bob Gualtieri

## Pinellas County Sheriff's Office

- **2,761** Total Positions (including crossing guards, grant funded, and contract positions)
  - **776** Full -Time Law Enforcement Deputies
  - **18** Part -Time Law Enforcement Deputies
  - **716** Detention Deputies
  - **996** Full -Time Civilian Employees
  - **67** Part -Time Civilian Employees
  - **188** Temporary Civilian Employees



# Sheriff Bob Gualtieri

## Pinellas County Sheriff's Office

- The FY 15 Submitted Budget meets the Board's requested target but falls short of meeting actual operating requirements of the Sheriff's Office.
- FY 15 Proposed Budget
  - FY 15 Budget Target **\$235,609,700**
  - FY 15 Proposed Budget Submission **\$250,927,550**
  - Over Target **\$ 15,317,850**





# Sheriff Bob Gualtieri

## Pinellas County Sheriff's Office

- The FY 15 Proposed Budget, which is **\$15 million** over target, has no “wants” and requests funding for essential personnel services, operating and capital expenditures.
- Like the departments under the BCC and the other constitutional officers the Sheriff's Office dramatically reduced its General Fund Budget during the four year period of FY 09 – FY 13.



# Sheriff Bob Gualtieri

## Pinellas County Sheriff's Office

- To briefly recap, we reduced our General Fund Budget by **\$108 million** and eliminated **616 positions**, including:
  - **167** law enforcement deputies and **250** detention deputies.
- To meet the budget reduction targets each year we made hard decisions, which in addition to cutting over **600 positions** included:
  - not providing any wage adjustments for employees for **5** years
  - postponing the replacement of operational items that we knew would eventually have to be replaced.



# Sheriff Bob Gualtieri

## Pinellas County Sheriff's Office

- Other area law enforcement agencies did increase their pay during the period in which PCSO was flat.
- This has significantly contributed to pay disparity between PCSO and the agencies we compete against to recruit and retain the best personnel.
- Recruiting and retaining the best personnel matters, and it especially matters in a law enforcement agency.



# Sheriff Bob Gualtieri

## Pinellas County Sheriff's Office

- This “kicking the can down the road” has taken its toll and caught up to us.
- As the largest law enforcement agency in Pinellas County, and one of the largest in the Tampa Bay area, we are one of the least paid and are no longer offer a competitive compensation package.



# Sheriff Bob Gualtieri

## Pinellas County Sheriff's Office

### Starting Salary Comparison

Agency	Starting Salary
Belleair PD	\$45,484
Clearwater PD	\$45,583
Gulfport PD	\$44,522
Largo PD	\$41,700
Pinellas Park PD	\$41,787
Treasure Island PD	\$43,564
Tarpon Springs PD	\$43,360
Tampa PD	\$48,506
Hillsborough SO	\$44,881
Pinellas SO	\$41,284

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## Pinellas County Sheriff's Office

- These budget requests are to remain at the “water line” and do not even contemplate expenditures to keep pace with the most current proactive policing methodologies.

### **The categories comprising the increases in the FY 15 Proposed Budget are:**

- FRS – Mandatory Employer Contribution
- Pay Plan Fix
- Vehicle Purchases
- Operating/Capital Needs
- Recruit/Academy Positions



### FRS Contribution

- Our mandated employer FRS contribution was increased by the legislature.
  - **\$ 850,000** for FY 15.
  - The total FRS contribution for FY 15 is **\$22.5 million**.
- This increase is not in our budget submission because the budget was submitted before the legislative session ended.
- PCSO currently has approximately:
  - **1,600** Special Risk participants.
  - **1,200** Regular Class participants.



## **Sworn Pay Plan - History**

- Prior to the October 2013 4% wage increase, PCSO employees had not had a wage adjustment in five years.
- They actually experienced a net pay decrease of 5% because during the intervening period they were required to begin paying a 3% FRS contribution and 2% more to Social Security.
- As a result, employees are still not taking home what they were in 2008.
- Simply put, the pay plan is a mess.





# Sheriff Bob Gualtieri

## Pinellas County Sheriff's Office

### The Problems: Deputies with different experience are earning the same salary.

- Deputy X earns \$59,000 and has 22 years experience and Deputy Y earns \$59,000 and has 16 years experience with PCSO.
- Deputy X earns \$54,000 and has 16 years experience and Deputy Y earns \$54,000 and has 12 years experience with PCSO.



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- Deputy X earns \$57,000 and has 18 years experience and Deputy Y earns \$57,000 and has 14 years experience with PCSO.
- Deputy X earns \$43,000 and has 7 years experience and Deputy Y earns \$43,000 and has 3 months experience with PCSO.
- Deputy X earns \$43,000 and has 7 years experience and Deputy Y earns \$43,000 and has 1 year experience with PCSO.



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### Deputies with the same experience are earning different amounts.

- Deputies A, B, C, D and E all have 22 years experience with PCSO and they all earn different amounts, ranging from \$59,000 to \$68,000.
- Deputies A and B both have 8 years experience with PCSO, one earns \$48,000 and the other \$44,000.



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### Supervisory Pay is Inconsistent

- Sergeant A earns \$79,000 and has been a sergeant for 19 years and Sergeant B earns \$79,000 and has been a sergeant for 13 years.
- Sergeant A earns \$64,000 and has been a sergeant for 4 years and Sergeant B earns \$64,000 and has been a sergeant for 3 months.
- Sergeant A earns \$79,000 and has been a sergeant for 19 years and Sergeant B earns \$79,000 and has been a sergeant for 11 years.



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- Lieutenant A earns \$82,000 and has been a lieutenant for 7 years and Lieutenant B earns \$82,000 and has been a lieutenant for 8 months.
- Lieutenants A and B both have 4 years as lieutenants, one earns \$82,000 and the other \$78,000.

### We Have Severe Pay Compression At The Bottom Of The Pay Range

- New deputies are earning the same amount as 5 year deputies, which creates a situation under which experienced deputies are earning less than minimally experienced deputies.



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### Pay Overlap With Supervisors Earning Less Than Subordinates

- 53 out of 87 law enforcement sergeants earn below the top deputy pay of \$69,829.
  - 49 of the 53 sergeants, earn \$64,777 or less. There are 67 deputies who earn more than \$64,777, thus 49 sergeants earn less than 67 deputies.
- 35 out of 55 DCB sergeants earn below the top deputy pay of \$69,829.
  - 34 of the 35 sergeants earn \$67,394 or less and 40 DCB deputies earn more than \$67,394, thus 35 sergeants earn less than 40 deputies.



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- 11 law enforcement sergeants earn more than 9 of the 24 law enforcement lieutenants. 12 lieutenants earn less than top sergeant pay.
- 14 DCB sergeants earn more than 6 of the 17 DCB lieutenants. 7 lieutenants make less than top sergeant pay.

### FTO'S Earn The Same or Less Than Their Recruits

- Of the 48 deputy recruits currently in the law enforcement FTO program, 15 recruits are making more than their FTO's and 1 recruit makes the same his FTO.



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### Deputies Are Underpaid

- Based on a market analysis Pinellas County Sheriff's deputies are underpaid.
- As the largest law enforcement agency in the county, we are the least paid.
- Entry deputy pay is \$41,284.





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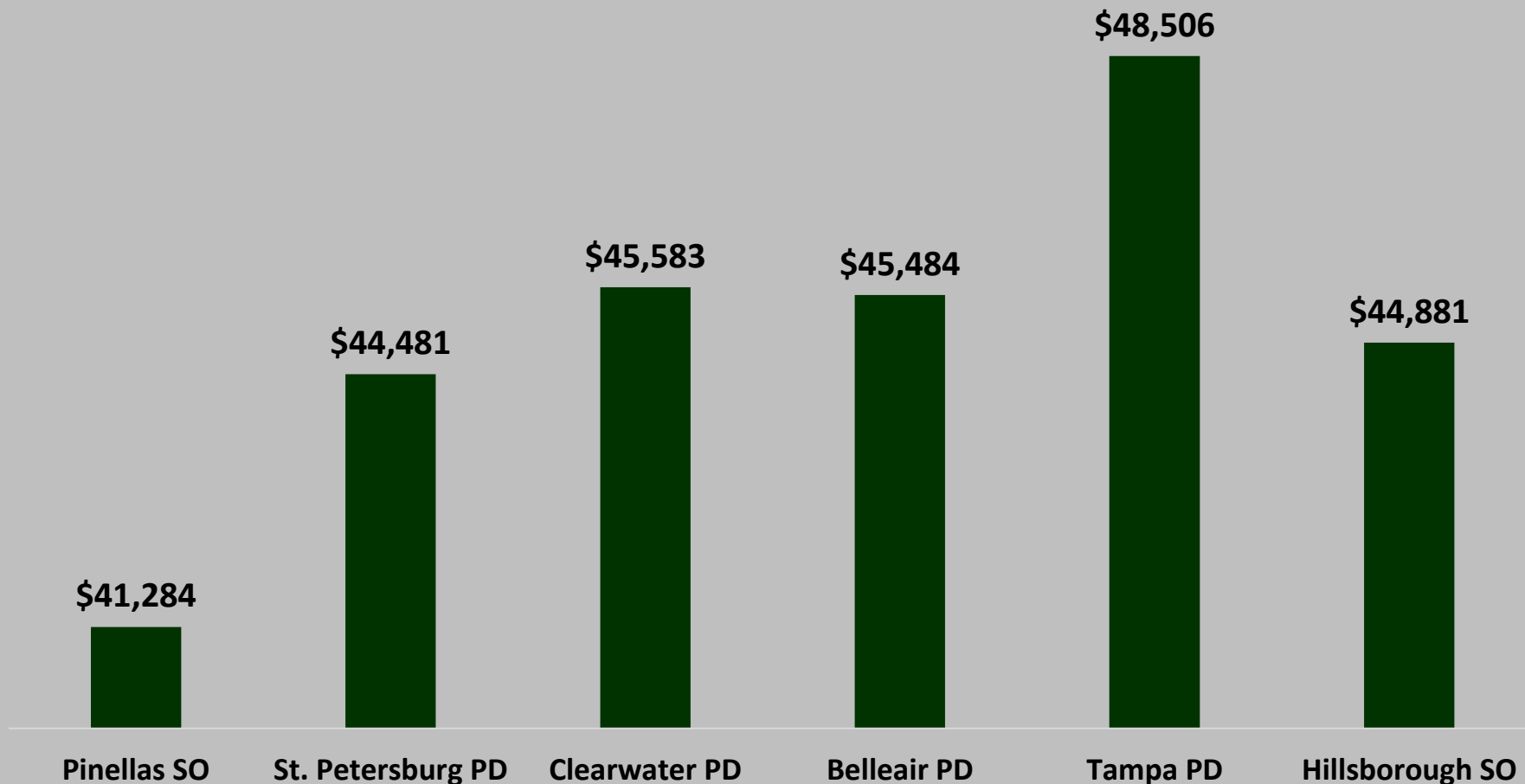
- Belleair P.D., St. Petersburg P.D., Clearwater P.D., Gulfport P.D., Largo P.D., Pinellas Park P.D., Treasure Island P.D. and Tarpon Springs P.D. all have starting salaries higher than PCSO.
- Specific examples: SPPD starts at \$44,481, Clearwater at \$45,583 and Belleair P.D. at \$45,484.
- Other competitors in the market have starting salaries that exceed ours: Tampa P.D. \$48,506 and Hillsborough S.O. \$44,881.



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### Starting Pay Comparison



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### Supervisors Are Also Underpaid

- The minimum pay for a PCSO sergeant is \$62,285 while a SPPD sergeant's minimum pay is \$69,782, a Tampa sergeant \$76,856, and an HCSO sergeant \$73,470.
- The minimum pay for a PCSO lieutenant is \$75,780 while a SPPD lieutenant's minimum pay is \$82,500, a Tampa lieutenant \$95,264, and an HCSO lieutenant earns a minimum of \$83,407.

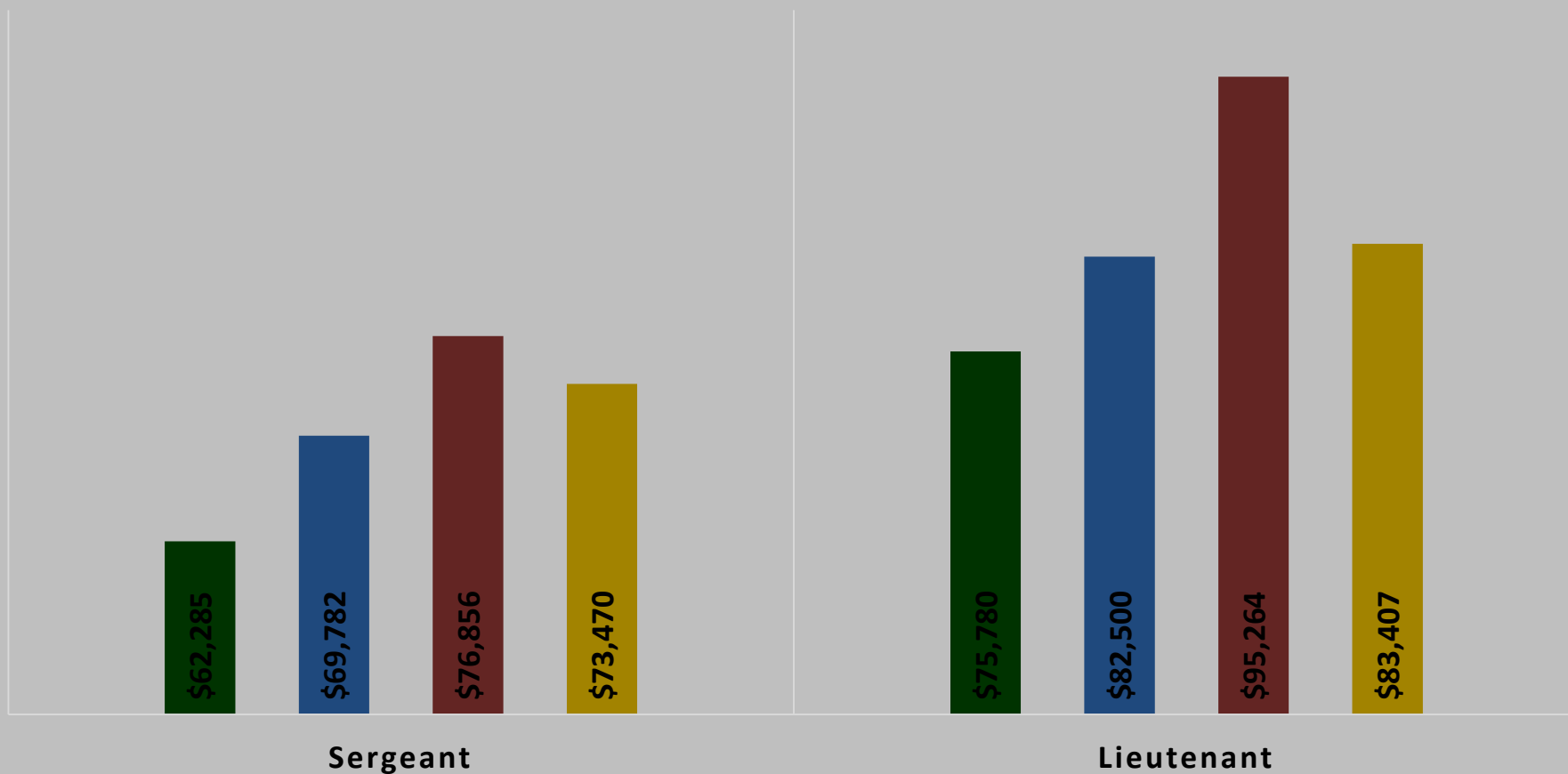


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### Supervisory Starting Pay Comparison

■ Pinellas SO ■ St. Petersburg PD ■ Tampa PD ■ Hillsborough SO



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## **Attrition Rates**

- Our FY 13 law enforcement attrition rate was **6.9%** and our corrections attrition rate was **9.4%**.
- Law enforcement and corrections each lose approximately **4** deputies **per month**, plus those who we know are leaving due to mandatory DROP retirements.



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- Over the next five years, law enforcement will lose about **100** deputies who are in DROP and we will have **160** deputies who are not in DROP but are retirement eligible. These deputies can and do leave at any time.
- Over the next five years, corrections will lose about **30** deputies who are in DROP and we will have **178** deputies who are not in DROP but are retirement eligible and can leave at any time.
- These numbers are in addition to those deputies who leave before being retirement eligible.



## **Structured Pay Plans Are The Standard And Necessary To Be Competitive**

- The number one issue and area of concern for PCSO deputies is their disparate and inadequate compensation.
- Not only is the pay too low, there is no structured pay plan and no framework to know whether and how they will reach the top end of the pay range.
- The deputies and their union want a structured pay plan.



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- Our competitors, Clearwater, Pinellas Park, St. Petersburg, Tampa and HCSO all have structured step plans and to attract the best candidates we not only need adequate pay, we need a structured pay plan.
- Without a structured pay plan some deputies may never reach the maximum pay during a 25 year plus career.
- The reasonable expectation is that retirement will be based on AFC of the highest 5 years and that will at least be 5 years based on top deputy pay.





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- It is misleading to advertise a position pay range and not have something in place where the top end of that range is attained.
- We currently have 119 deputies with 20 years or more experience. 88 of the 119, or 74% are not at top pay. 61 of 88 who are not at top pay have between 25 and 33 years of service.
- Additionally, of the 55 deputies who have between 16 and 19 years of service, none are at top pay.



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### The Fix

- To effectively recruit new quality deputies and retain current deputies, a structured pay plan that: competitively compensates deputies; eliminates pay compression; eliminates supervisory overlap; and eliminates disparate pay for deputies with the same years of service is necessary.
- To fix the entire pay problem all at once the cost would be **\$18.4 million**.
- To implement a two year plan to fix the problem, the FY 15 cost would be **\$6.6 million** and the FY 16 cost would be **\$12.4 million**.



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- We have developed a structured pay grade system that is commensurate with deputies' years of experience.
- This experienced-based system provides smaller pay increases in the early years, moderate increase in the middle years when it is most imperative to retain deputies, and again smaller increase in the later years. This is a bell curved pay plan.
- There is a 2% increase between pay grades 2 through 4, a 3.5% increase between grades 5 through 10, and 2.6% increase between grades 11 through 16.



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- The annual cost of this pay plan is no more than the annual cost of a general wage increase of 3%.
- Under this plan there is no COLA increase separate from the pay grade increase.
- The only time the pay range would move is because of a market study or because of some other objective measurement like an increase in CPI.



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### For FY 15:

- Starting deputy pay would be raised to \$45,500
- The first year fix would include eliminating pay compression at the bottom and ensuring that all deputies with more than 20 years of service are earning top deputy pay.
- All first year deputies' pay would increase to the new minimum.



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- All deputies with 2 to 5 years experience would be placed in a pay grade commensurate with their experience. This would eliminate the problem of a 4 year FTO deputy earning the same as his/her recruit, etc...
- All deputies with between 5 and 19 years of service would move to the pay grade closest to what they currently earn, not the grade commensurate with their experience.
- However, all deputies in this category would earn at least grade 5 deputy pay. Some deputies in this category will receive minimal or no pay increase in FY15. This will move the pay compression issue “up” for one year until it can be addressed for deputies in this category in FY16.



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- All deputies with 20 or more years of service will be moved to grade 16, top deputy pay of \$70,622.
- In FY 16 all deputies in the 5 to 19 years of experience category who were moved in FY 15 to the closest pay grade to what they were then earning would move to the pay grade commensurate with their years of experience.
- Deputies in pay grades 1 through 5 would also move to the pay grade commensurate with their years of experience.
- The total FY 16 cost would be \$12.4 million, of which \$10 million is to fix the pay problem for the deputies in the 5 to 19 year category, and move those who enter the 20 year category in FY 16 to the maximum deputy pay.



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- The sergeants and lieutenants would be placed in the proper pay grade in FY 15 and their issues would be fully fixed. This FY 15 cost is **\$2 million**, The FY 16 additional costs for sergeants and lieutenants would be **\$400,000**.
- Base sergeant pay would be **\$71,000** and top pay in grade six would be **\$81,857**. (Sergeants currently earn between **\$62,285** and **\$80,852**).
- Base lieutenant pay would be **\$82,000** and top pay in grade four would be **\$95,468**. (Lieutenants currently earn between **\$75,780** and **\$94,828**).





### Non-Sworn Pay Plan

- Prior to this year we last conducted a pay analysis approximately 10 years ago.
- The current pay system has approximately 55 different pay grades and suffers from the same infirmities as the sworn pay system, i.e. pay compression and overlap.
- Some examples:



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### Some Examples:

- Classification Specialist A has 1 year experience and earns \$30,000.
- Classification Specialist B has 7 years experience and earns \$30,000.
- Criminal Justice Specialist A has 1 year experience and earns \$25,000.
- Criminal Justice Specialist B has 7 years experience and earns \$25,000.



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- Forensic Science Supervisor A earns **\$56,318**.
- Forensic Science Assistant Supervisor B earns **\$47,105**.
- Forensic Science Specialist C earns **\$61,496** (earning more than both Asst. Supervisor and Supervisor.)
- Assistant Inmate Records Supervisor A earns **\$45,602**
- Inmate Records Shift Supervisor B earns **\$39,235**
- Intake Specialist C earns **\$49,644** (earning more than both Shift Supervisor and Assistant Supervisor.)



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- CJS current minimum salary is \$24,356 and market minimum is \$28,800.
- Flight Mechanic current minimum is \$35,837 and market minimum is \$45,000.
- Forensic Science Specialist current minimum is \$35,837 and market minimum is \$41,400.
- Public Information Specialist II current minimum is \$35,837 and market minimum is \$43,200.



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- The non-sworn pay system affects over 800 employees.
- Moreover, the current pay system is not a market based system and the positions have not been benchmarked to be competitive in the marketplace in over 10 years.
- A market-based competitive compensation system is essential to ensure that we attract and retain the best and most talented individuals.
- The proposed pay system will reduce from 58 to about 23 the number of pay grades and also consolidate and reduce the number of job titles from 142 to 114.



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- The new system will create a market-based range for each pay grade, with an easily identifiable midpoint. It is expected that employees will reach the midpoint of the range at the 10 year mark.
- Each pay grade has a range spread of 60% and there is an \$1,800 spread between grades.
- This will also provide some structure for experienced people coming in to the organization so we know what is fair compensation based on their experience, as opposed to the mess we have now with people with more time/experience making less than people with less experience/time.



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- The plan requires a one-time fix to eliminate compression and give due credit for experience.
- Employees will be given a 3% wage increase, unless doing so would move them over the top of the new pay range for their position. Nobody will be paid more than the range for their market validated pay grade and job classification.
- Members' pay will then be adjusted a certain percentage based on their experience so that they are at 100% of their pay midpoint by their 10<sup>th</sup> year of experience.
- Members who are at or above the midpoint will not receive a pay adjustment beyond the initial 3%.



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- Members earning above the maximum pay for their pay grade will be “*red circled*” and will not receive a wage adjustment until the pay ranges move based on cost-of-living or a subsequent market analysis warranting the adjustment.
- Out of the approximately 808 affected employees, 739 will receive an increase beyond the initial 3%. The lowest increase is \$171.00 and the highest increase is \$21,103.
- 69 employees will receive no increase—including the 3% because they are at the top of the new range





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- Once the initial adjustment is made to eliminate pay compression and overlap, each subsequent year's adjustment will be a percentage of the midpoint.
- This will result in each person in the grade receiving the same amount of money, up to the maximum of the range, but the percentage will vary—less one makes the higher the percentage of increase.
- This will help retain people and also ensure that tenured employees receive wage increases for a longer period of time without hitting the top of the range and getting frustrated that they no longer receive any wage increase.



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- There are currently 464 employees above the midpoint and 344 below the midpoint.
- The current cost of a 3% wage increase for these employees is approximately \$1 million and the cost under the midpoint methodology is about the same.
- However, as more employees go above the midpoint and hit the maximums in each pay grade the cost will decrease.
- The total cost to implement the non-sworn pay plan fix is approximately \$3.3 million.



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### **FY 15 Pay Plan Fix Cost**

<b>Deputies</b>	<b>\$ 6.6 Million</b>
<b>Sergeants/Lieutenants</b>	<b>\$ 2.0 Million</b>
<b>Non-Sworn</b>	<b>\$ 3.3 Million</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 11.9 Million</b>



### FY 15 Vehicle Replacements

- For FY 15 we must replace **158** vehicles in our fleet, this includes **98** patrol vehicles.
- The oldest patrol car currently assigned to a deputy on daily patrol is a **1999** (*15 year old*) Ford Crown Vic with over **100,000** miles on it.
- The patrol car with the highest mileage that we are replacing is a **2005** (*9 year old*) Ford Crown Vic with **140,000** miles.
- Of the **158** vehicles we are replacing **86%** currently have over **100,000** and the remainder will have over **100,000** by the time they are replaced.



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- We currently have **\$2.3 million** in outstanding debt service for previous vehicle purchases.
  - The FY 15 debt service payment is \$900,000.
- The FY 15 cost to purchase the **158** vehicles is **\$6.5 million**.
  - FY 15 debt service payment for these vehicles is **\$1.5 million**.
- This comprises the **\$2.5 million** in debt service payments in the FY 15 Proposed Budget.



## **Unbudgeted Academy Costs**

- We currently have no budgeted positions to hire and train new deputies before the deputies they are replacing leave the agency.
- For a new law enforcement deputy who is required to attend the academy, it takes **42 weeks** of training before that deputy may function independently.
- It takes **22 weeks** for a detention deputy.



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- The salary and benefits cost to PCSO for the 42 weeks of training is \$58,014 per deputy, and the 22 weeks for a detention deputy is \$30,388.
  - Averaging 25 recruits per class, a law enforcement class costs \$1.6 million and a corrections class \$900,000 in unbudgeted funds.
- In FY13 we hired 109 new law enforcement and corrections deputies and it cost us \$4.6 million in unbudgeted positions to pay them while they were in training.
- We had to “rob Peter to pay Paul” to cover these expenses which meant forgoing operating purchases, like cars.



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- For FY 14 we anticipate spending approximately **\$3.9 million** in unbudgeted funds to hire another **56** deputies.
- This means that over two fiscal years we are expending **\$8.5 million** in operating funds where we had to forgo necessary purchases in order to ensure deputies on the street and in the jail.
- We cannot continue “diverting” operating funds to meet personnel services demands and must have funds to hire and train new deputies.





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- For FY 15, we will have to hire as many as two law enforcement and two corrections recruit classes.
- Depending on our success in hiring certified law enforcement deputies and saving some academy costs, our FY 15 cost to hire and train new deputies will be **\$5.1 million.**



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### FY 15 Operating and Capital Needs

- In addition to vehicles, there several operating and capital purchases in the proposed budget that are required because we have postponed these purchases for many years and the items are at their end-of-life or technologically obsolete.
  - Portable police radios due to outdated technology
  - 12 year helicopter inspection
  - Network upgrades to replace end of life technology
  - AFIS upgrade to replace outdated technology
  - DCB portable radios due to outdated technology
  - Multiple server replacements due to end of life and/or outdated technology
  - Multiple year enterprise license agreements
- Approximately, **\$3 million** of the required capital and operating will go to the purchase of items that are non-recurring.



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## PUBLIC LIBRARY COOPERATIVE

The Public Library Cooperative (PLC) serves eligible residents of Pinellas County and its member public libraries. The Cooperative serves these groups through the management of county, state and federal funds for library development and by facilitating the sharing of materials and resources among its members. The Cooperative is funded by a millage levy in a portion of the unincorporated areas of the county and per capita dues paid by the participating municipalities without libraries. The maximum millage rate that can be levied is 0.5 mills.

### 1014 PUBLIC LIBRARY COOPERATIVE

Department Revenues by Fund / Account		FY14 Revised Budget (a)	FY15 Request		FY15 Request vs. FY14 Bud %	
1014	Ad Valorem Revenues*	4,172,810	4,327,450		154,640	3.7%
	Excess Fees - Constitutional Officers	15,000	15,000		0	0.0%
	Interest Earnings	2,900	1,520		(1,380)	-47.6%
	Subtotal PPLC Revenue	4,190,710	4,343,970		153,260	3.7%
	Beginning Fund Balance	172,730	182,220		9,490	5.5%
<b>Total Revenues &amp; Fund Balance</b>		<b>4,363,440</b>	<b>4,526,190</b>		<b>162,750</b>	<b>3.7%</b>
	Millage Rate	0.5000	0.5000		0.0000	0.0%
	<i>*FY15 ad valorem revenues reflect a 4.0% increase in taxable values</i>					
Department Expenditures by Program		FTE by Program				
1014	Public Library Cooperative	4,136,870	4,289,890	n/a	153,020	3.7%
	Constitutional Officers Transfers	140,170	145,780	n/a	5,610	4.0%
	Reserves Program	86,400	90,520	n/a	4,120	4.8%
<b>Subtotal Expenditures</b>		<b>4,363,440</b>	<b>4,526,190</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>162,750</b>	<b>3.7%</b>
	Less Reserves	(86,400)	(90,520)		(4,120)	4.8%
<b>Total Expenditures without Reserves</b>		<b>4,277,040</b>	<b>4,435,670</b>		<b>158,630</b>	<b>3.7%</b>
Personnel Summary						
Total FTE (Full-time equivalent positions)		0.0	0.0	0	0.0	*****

#### Target Reconciliation

FY15 Budget Request Target Not Applicable  
 County support of the Public Library Cooperative is funded by a separate property  
 tax levy apart from the General Fund.

PUBLIC LIBRARY COOPERATIVE TOTAL BUDGET		FY14 Budget	% of Total	FY15 Request	% of Total
County Aid to Govt Agencies (b)		4,125,840	84.7%	4,279,310	85.3%
State Funded Budget (c)		746,610	15.3%	740,000	14.7%
Total Budget		4,872,450	100.0%	5,019,310	100.0%



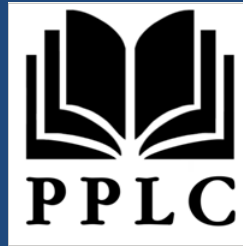
(a) FY14 Revised Budget as of January 26, 2014

(b) Excludes Cost Allocation Operating Expense

(c) FY15 State Funded Budget is subject to Legislative Appropriations

**Name of Department:** Pinellas Public Library Cooperative  
**Strategic Focus Area:** Environment, Open Spaces, Recreation, & Culture

Program	Classification	Description	FY15 Total Program Allocation (\$)	FTE's*	FY14 Total Program Revenue (\$)	Performance Measures	Estimated FY15	Actual FY12	Actual FY13	Estimated FY14
County Budget										
Unincorporated Area Library Services <i>Pursuant to an Inter-local agreement between 14 member libraries</i>	Essential	Funds are distributed to city libraries to allow access to services by unincorporated area residents and to improve the quality of library service countywide. The distributions are based on an Interlocal Agreement; the current agreement took effect on October 1, 2013 and is effective for 5 years. Of the total, 95% is allocated according to a formula based on population and per capita library expenditures; 10% is allocated based on non-resident circulation of library materials.	\$3,904,870		see note	Registered Borrowers	550,000	546,666	541,334	550,000
						Library Circulation	6,800,000	6,763,579	6,809,131	6,800,000
						Library Visits	5,000,000	4,744,559	4,619,546	5,000,000
						Expenditures per Capita	\$ 32.00	\$ 30.61	\$ 30.91	\$ 32.00
Library Cooperative Administration	Administrative	Personnel (3 FTE) manage Cooperative funds and countywide library programs; includes operating and capital expenses.	\$374,440	3*	see note					
	Administrative - Other	Tax Collector fees, Property Appraiser fees, Full Cost Allocation	\$156,360		see note					
SUBTOTAL - EXPENDITURES			\$4,435,670		\$0					
Reserves	Administrative	Reserves	\$90,520		see note					
TOTAL (County Budget):			\$4,526,190	3*	\$0					
Note: This budget is totally supported by a separate property tax levy for the Pinellas Public Library Cooperative										
* = Grants & Aid expenditures include the 3 FTEs. These FTEs are not County personnel positions.										
State-Aid-Funds										
County-wide Library Programs	Essential	By offering a cooperative library service, State Aid funds are made available to the Cooperative. These funds would not otherwise be available without a consolidated countywide library system. State Aid funds a variety of county-wide programs including ; the Talking Book Library for the Blind & Physically Handicapped; the Deaf Literacy Center; Countywide Library Automation System support; Program and Operating materials support. FY12 State Aid was \$703,683.	\$740,000		\$746,611	Rate of return in State Aid (cents in aid generated per dollar of local expenditures) Subject to Legislative Appropriation.	2.76 cents	2.55 cents	2.76 cents	
STATE & COUNTY TOTALS:										



# Pinellas Public Library Cooperative

May 2014

# New Executive Director

I am Acting Executive Director, Linda Allen. I am filling in for the new Executive Director of the Pinellas Public Library Cooperative, Cheryl Morales, who starts on June 9.

Cheryl lived in Florida, but has spent the last 10 years in American Samoa creating a public library system from the ground up. Now she is coming home to run PPLC.

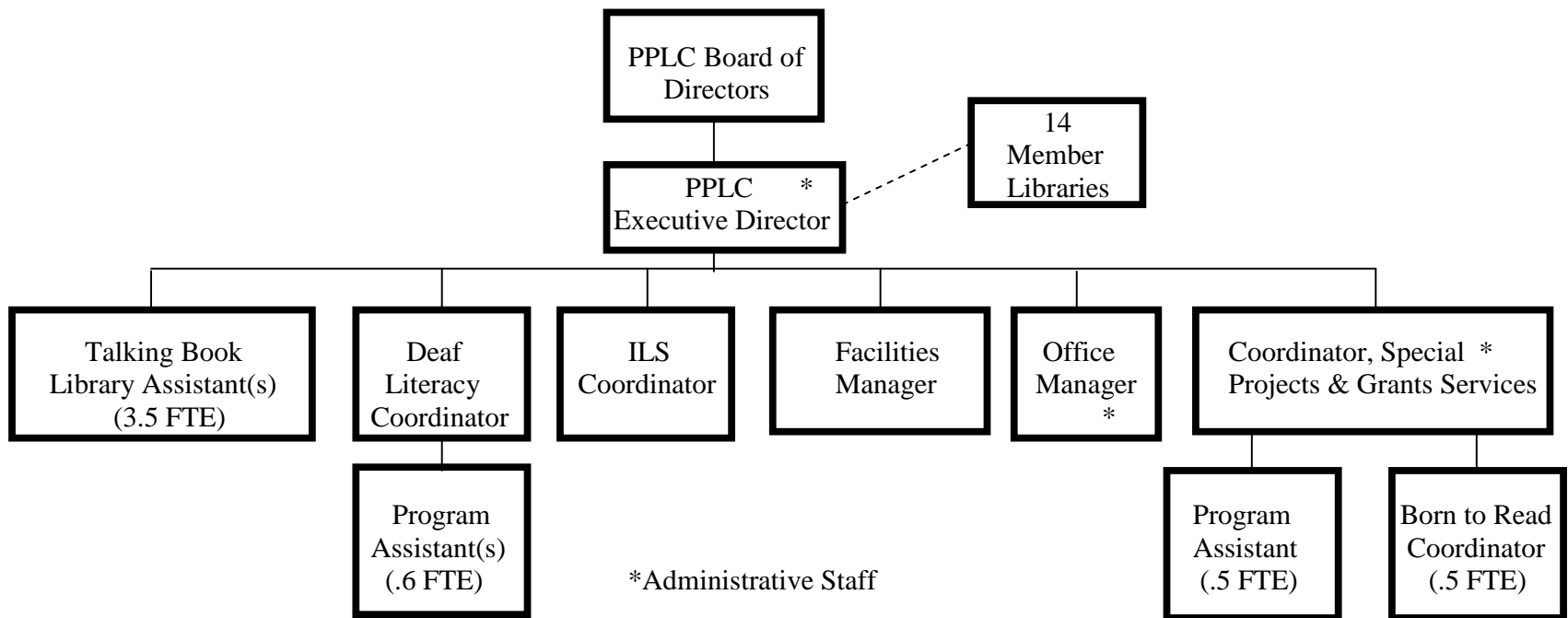
We are looking forward to welcoming her!



Cheryl Morales

# Organization Chart Administrative Staff

## Pinellas Public Library Cooperative Organizational Chart





# Mission Statement

PPLC provides leadership, resources and opportunities to enhance the quality, value and availability of library services to members.



# 2013-2014 Board of Directors

- **William B. Horne, II**  
**Chair**  
City Manager, Clearwater
- **Vacant, Vice-Chair**
- **Doug Lewis, Secretary/  
Treasurer**  
City Manager, Pinellas Park



William B. Horne II

- **Bill Berger,**  
Office of Management & Budget  
Pinellas County
- **Mary Campbell,**  
Pinellas County Extension Director  
Pinellas County
- **Norton “Mac” Craig,**  
City Manager, City of Largo
- **Marcus Harrison,**  
County Appointee
- **Sherry McBee,**  
Leisure Services Administrator  
City of St. Petersburg
- **Karen Roth,**  
County Appointee

# Our Member Libraries:

- Clearwater Public Library System
- Dunedin Public Library
- East Lake Community Library
- Gulf Beaches Public Library
- Gulfport Public Library
- Largo Public Library
- Oldsmar Public Library
- Palm Harbor Public Library
- Pinellas Park Public Library
- Safety Harbor Public Library
- St. Pete Beach Public Library
- St. Petersburg Public Library System
- Seminole Community Library
- Tarpon Springs Public Library



Largo Public Library



Oldsmar Public Library

# Pinellas Public Library Cooperative

- ❑ Administers countywide contracts with selected vendors as requested by the Library Directors Advisory Council (LDAC).
- ❑ Coordinates and communicates public service policies and provides a centralized communication and distribution point for external agencies and the County.
- ❑ Manages state-wide delivery service contract and local delivery services.





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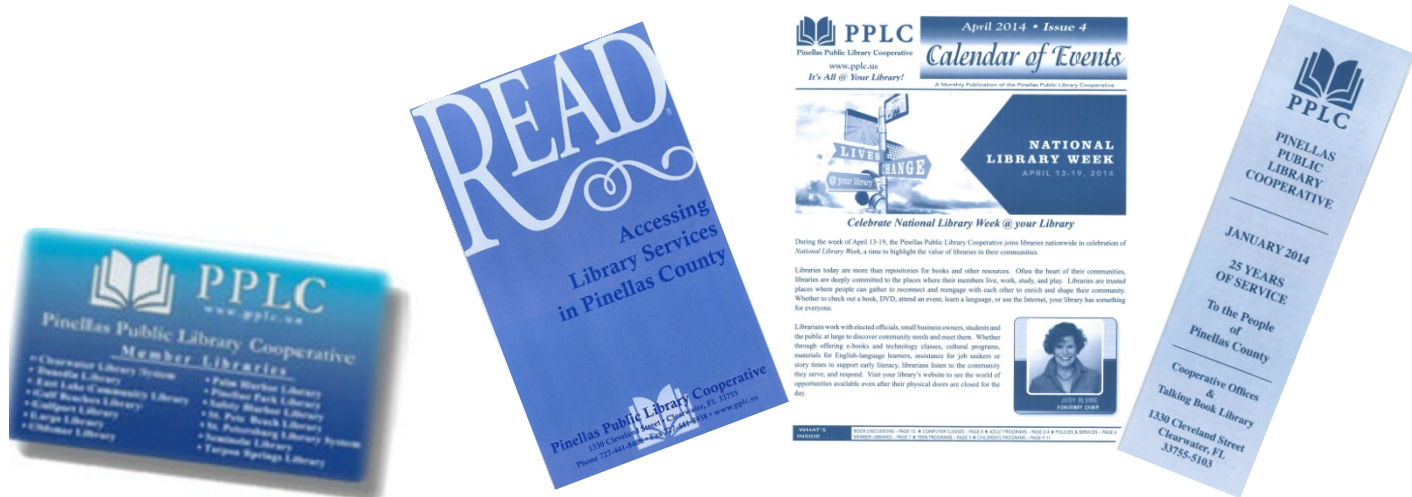
- ❑ Receives and disburses funds from federal, state and local sources.
- ❑ Advocates for public library service on a local and statewide basis.
- ❑ Oversees centralized special programming materials.



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# Pinellas Public Library Cooperative

- ❑ Produces web and print materials pertaining to all members.



- ❑ Manages county-wide integrated library automation system.
- ❑ Manages three special and unique services:

## • Born to Read.....

*is a family literacy program that encourages reading by distributing developmentally appropriate books and informs parents about the benefits of reading to their children.*



- Over 3,100 books and parenting materials were distributed in 2013
- 106 new families enrolled in the program in 2013
- Funded by a grant from the Early Learning Coalition of Pinellas County



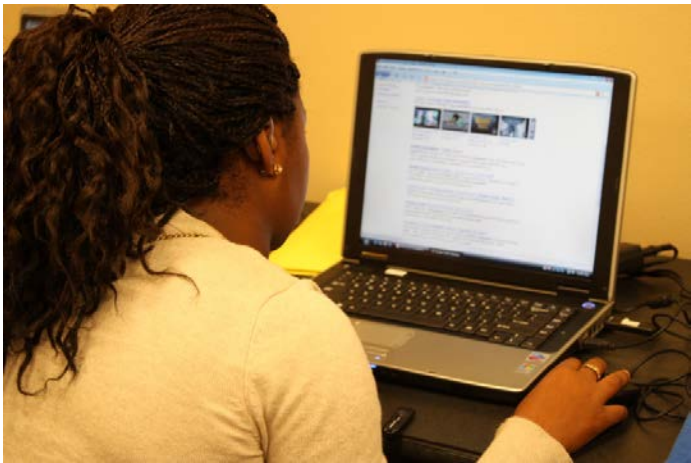
# Deaf Literacy Center.....

*is a library-based literacy program for Deaf and hearing-impaired individuals and their families. We provide Basic English literacy and in-home family literacy instruction as well as quality library and information services to the Pinellas County Deaf community*



- Provides services to 500+ Deaf/Hard of Hearing individuals and their families each month

- Funded by State Aid and Barbara Bush Foundation Grant.





# Talking Books Library.....

*is a free service to residents of all ages who are unable to read standard print material due to visual, physical or learning disabilities. PPLC also manages this program for Sarasota County.*

- 2,736 Patrons registered
- 36, 175 Books in our collection
- Approx 220 new patrons yearly
- 32 Volunteers working the annual equivalent of 3 full-time employees



- Funded by State Aid, Irene P. Murphy Trust and donations



# Pinellas County Program Budget Submittal

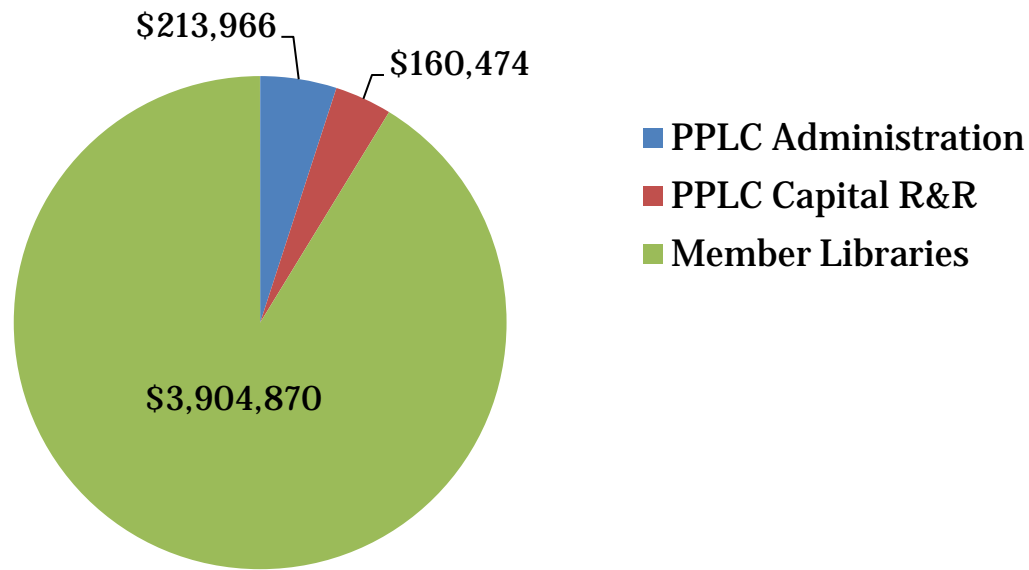
**The Pinellas Public Library Cooperative (PPLC) is funded by a separate property tax levy apart from the general fund, and does not receive any general fund tax support.**



# FY15 Total Program Allocation

Calculated at approved millage of 0.5; Total appropriation \$4,279,310

## Distribution of Funds



# State Aid to Libraries

State Aid to Libraries is the other primary source of funding for the Cooperative

Legislative session allocated \$22.29 million in support of public library services for FY 14.

Of that, Pinellas County has been allocated in FY 14: \$794,286.

This number is derived by the State using a formula based on local funding support for libraries. The current rate of reimbursement is 2.97 cents per dollar according to the State Library on May 1.

# Performance Measures

	FY 13 Actual	FY 14 Estimate	FY 15 Target
Material Circulation by Member Libraries	6,809,131	6,800,000	6,800,000
Registered Borrower at Member Libraries	541,334	550,000	550,000
Library Visits at Member Libraries	4,619,546	5,000,000	5,000,000
Average Expenditure per Capita for Member Libraries	\$30.91	\$32.00	\$32.00

- ✓ The latest population figure for Pinellas County is 925,338\*, so almost 60% of the residents of Pinellas have library cards
- ✓ On average, every registered borrower physically visits the library 9 times a year
- ✓ On average, every registered borrower checks out 12.36 items a year
- ✓ The average expenditure per capita statewide for 2012 was \$25.67\*\*
- ✓ The average expenditure per capita countywide for 2013 was \$30.91

\*From **Florida Estimates of Population 2013**, Bureau of Economic and Business Research

\*\*From **FY2012 Florida Public Library Statistics** (latest available) Florida Dept. of State, Bureau of Library Services

# Taxpayer Return on Investment in Florida Public Libraries

In 2013 the Florida Department of State commissioned the Haas Center for Business Research and Economic Development to develop an in depth study of the return on investment in Florida Public Libraries.

- ❑ For every dollar Floridians invest into Florida public libraries, they receive \$10.18 in economic benefit. In 2012 this amounted to \$5.55 billion in economic value
- ❑ 9 out of 10 people believe libraries improve workforce skills, a significant fact in a state whose current theme is “Let’s Get To Work”.
- ❑ 84% of library patrons consider the information provided by their local public library as either important or essential and nearly 76% indicated that they would be unwilling to sell their library card at any price





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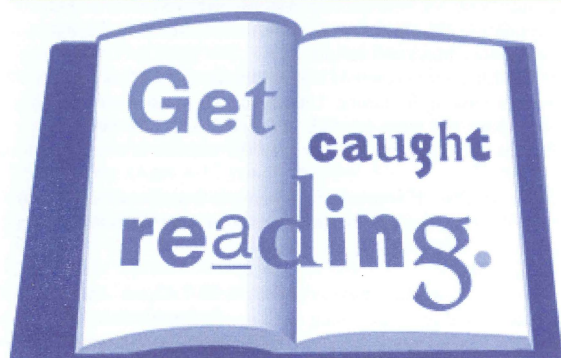
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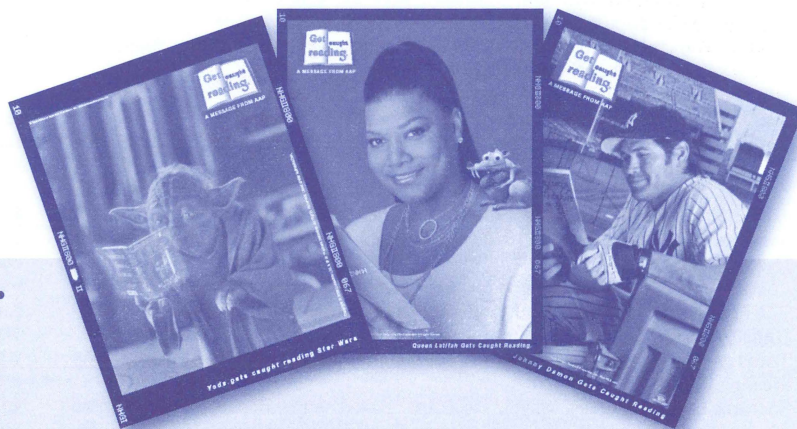


## May is "Get Caught Reading" Month!

Get Caught Reading is a nationwide campaign to remind people of all ages how much fun it is to read. Because of research indicating that early language experience actually stimulates a child's brain to grow and that reading to children gives them a huge advantage when they start school, we hope to encourage people of all ages to enjoy books and magazines and to share that pleasure with the young children in their lives.

Our collections continue to evolve to accommodate a variety of reading preferences. Whether you reach for paper or digital formats, your library card is your key to a wealth of

free materials. We hope your friends, family, and neighbors catch you reading this month and that they do catch you, you turn them into your accomplices by spreading the word about the great resources and programs available through our libraries.



## Looking Forward to the Future: St. Pete Beach Library's Expansion Plans

Fundraising efforts are underway to add 3500 square feet and additional parking to the existing 8200 square foot facility. The entire library will be improved, including new public restrooms, more public seating, a larger public meeting room with updated technology for presentations, and a new story-time area contained within a redesigned children's corner. The service desks will also be reconfigured so that patrons can receive circulation and information assistance at a single streamlined service desk. Expanded computers, wireless access, and printing services will also enhance patrons' experience at the library. You can help bring all of these wonderful improvements to fruition by contributing to the library's "Reimagine Renovation Campaign"; log on to <http://www.stpetebeach.org/renovation.html> or e-mail [fundraiser@stpetebeach.org](mailto:fundraiser@stpetebeach.org).

## Phone Notification Update

We've always advised patrons that the automated phone calls that alert you when requested items are ready for pick-up originate from a 315 area code in New York State. The system has recently changed and now more of those calls are coming from our local area codes. Some calls are also displaying as coming from a "private caller". Patrons continue to have the choice to receive notices via e-mail, and you can also log in to your account online to place or review your holds. Talk to your local library staff if you'd like to learn more about your options.

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# Adult Programs

## Clearwater Public Library System

### Main Library

**Sunrise on the Rooftop Terrace:** Wednesday, May 14, 5:30-7:00 am. Weather permitting. See the full moon set and the sun rise. Bring your cameras. Rooftop opens at 5:30 am. Part of the Main Library's 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration.

**Films on the Bluff:** Tuesday, May 13, 2:00-4:30 pm. Art house and independent films shown monthly.

**Chess Club:** Every Tuesday, 1:00-3:00 pm. Chess instructor, Yulia, will teach adults on all levels.

### Beach Branch

**Clearwater Beach Shell Crafters Club:** Thursdays, May 8, 22, 1:00-3:00 pm. Create shell crafts such as photo frames, wreaths, wall plaques, etc. using shells found on the beach. Sponsored in part by Beach Friends of the Library. To join, please call 447-5882.

**Writer's Support Group:** Wednesdays, May 7, 21, 1:00-3:00 pm. Workshop for writers and aspiring writers offers help and encouragement. Led by Anne Garriss.

### Countryside Branch

**Affordable Family Travels:** Sunday, May 18, 2:00-3:00 pm. Rand Scholet explains everything you need to plan a successful family trip. Sponsored by Target Family Grant.

**Big Screen Biographies @ Countryside Library:** Wednesdays, 2:00 pm. Join us for a weekly film. May 7, *I.M. Pei*; May 14, *Frederick Olmsted*; May 21, *Aldous Huxley*; May 28, *Agatha Christie*.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday @ the Countryside Library:** Saturday, April 12, 2:00-3:00 pm. *Blues at the Library* – Suncoast Blues Society musicians put on a show.

### North Greenwood Branch

**Thursday Afternoon @ the Movies (adults only please):** Thursday, May 1, 2:00 pm-4:00 pm. Join us for an afternoon film.

### East Branch

**U.S. Citizenship Information:** Thursday, May 22, 4:30-6:30 pm. Kristin Smith from the USCIS discusses the citizenship and naturalization process.

**ESOL Tutoring:** Mondays, 4:00-6:00 pm., except May 26. Literacy tutors and students practice Conversational English.

**Stitch in Time Charity Stitching Group:** Fridays, 2:00-4:30 pm. Join us at our weekly get-together to create items to donate for anyone in need.

**Chess Club for Adults:** Wednesdays, 1:00-3:30 pm. Exercise your brain during weekly chess matches.

**Zumba:** Saturday, May 24, 3:30-4:30 pm. Instructor Claudia Garzon leads an exhilarating workout with the popular dance-based fitness program.

**Socrates Café:** Saturday, May 10, 2:00-4:00 pm. Join in a philosophical discussion.

### Deaf Literacy Center

Check website for date, time and location [www.deafliteracycenter.us](http://www.deafliteracycenter.us) or Call Rosa 727-724-1525 ext 4120 or email [rodriguez@ppic.us](mailto:rodriguez@ppic.us) for more information!

### Dunedin Public Library

**Tuesdays at Two Film Program:** Movies are shown at 2:00 pm in the Community Meeting Room.

**Socrates Café:** Saturday, May 3, 10:00 am. Based on the idea that we learn more when we question and question with others, Socrates Café meetings are community gatherings where we explore philosophical questions. We meet the first Saturday of each month. All are welcome.

**Dunedin Garden Club:** Saturday, May 3, 1:00 pm. For more information please call 447-6814.

**Dunedin Community Garden Panel Discussion on Growing Methodologies:** Wednesday, May 7, 6:30 pm. "Three Successful Urban Farmers" – A compare and contrast in methodologies. Is it possible to have three different methods for growing food, and for all of them to be using "the right way?" Learn why the answer is "yes". Join us for a panel discussion with three well-known area growers.

**Volunteer Opportunities with the Suncoast Family of Programs, Including Pet Therapy:** Wednesday, May 14, 11:00 am. If you are looking for a rewarding volunteer opportunity, this may be for you. Judie Bortness will share the many volunteer positions available through Hospice. One of the therapy dogs will accompany her.

**Adult Summer Reading Program:** Sign-up for the Adult Summer Reading Program begins Monday, June 2. Many interesting programs are being planned for the summer. Read at your own pace. Reading logs will be provided to record the books you've read. As always, there will be weekly drawings for some fun reading incentives each week, reading suggestions, and the opportunity for everyone to share the great books they've been reading.

**Casual Scrabble Club:** Join us the first and third Mondays of the month for casual scrabble. Please bring your own board. Adults and teens, high school age and up are welcome.

**Chess Club:** Tuesdays, 5:00-7:00 pm. Open to those ages 10 and up. Stop in and play chess with us. Everyone welcome.

**SCORE Small Business Counseling:** Free small business counseling is offered on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month. The counseling is provided by a S.C.O.R.E. volunteer and is open to those starting up a small business or for existing businesses. Call 298-3080 ext 1707 for an appointment, or sign up at the Adult Information Desk. To learn more about S.C.O.R.E. visit their website at [www.scorepinellas.org](http://www.scorepinellas.org).

**Free Medicare Counseling with S.H.I.N.E.:** Every Wednesday. The S.H.I.N.E. agency of the Florida Department of Elder Affairs offers free unbiased counseling on Medicare and other health-related issues. To set up an appointment, call 298-3080, ext 1707.

**Genealogy Assistance:** Thursdays, 1:00-3:00 pm in Study Room 4. Members of The Caladesi Chapter of the DAR are here to assist you. No appointment is necessary.

**Dunedin Writers Group:** Fridays, 9:30 am. Open to all serious writers, the Dunedin Writers' Group focuses on novels, short stories, articles, children's books, synopsis for agents, presentation letters, plays and scripts.

**Literacy Program:** The Literacy Council of Upper Pinellas (LCUP), located at the Dunedin Public Library, is looking for tutors. Unlock the door to success by helping someone learn to read, speak and write English. For additional information please call the Literacy Office at 298-3080 ext 1724 or visit the website at [www.lcupinfo.com](http://www.lcupinfo.com).

**Outreach Program for Adults:** If someone you know is homebound in Dunedin and would like monthly deliveries of library materials (books and CD books), please call our Outreach Department at 298-3080, ext 1712.

### East Lake Community Library

**Author Showcase:** The third Tuesday of every month, 6:30-7:45pm. Our featured presenter is Laura Kennedy, author of the young adult novel, *Double Take*. For more information on the author, please go to, <http://laurakennedy17.wordpress.com>. No registration is required.

**Beginners' Bridge:** Every Monday, 10:00 am-12:00 pm.(except May 26). You will learn bidding, playing the hand, scoring and many other Bridge hints to make the game enjoyable while meeting new friends.

**Early Stage Dementia Support Group:** The first Wednesday of each month, 11:00am-12:30 pm. Linda Pinke, with the Florida Gulf Coast Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association will host an Early Stage Dementia Support Group for Alzheimer's. No registration is required.

**East Lake High School Art Show:** Wednesday, May 28, 6:30-7:45pm. Share the talent and join in the vision as East Lake High School showcases its emerging artists at the Second Annual Art Show. This popular event has art for every taste.

**Edward Jones Financial Workshop: Retirement-Making Your Money Last:** Thursday, May 8, 12:30-1:30 pm. The Edward Jones Foundations of Investing series continues with Jeff Mizner, CFP®, AAMS®, where he will focus on ideas to help build a reasonable strategy for managing income and expenses during retirement. Lunch will be provided and registration is required by calling Kristin at 727-787-1419.

**ELCL Advisory Board Meeting:** The second Tuesday of every month, 6:00-8:00pm. This meeting is open to the public.

**ELCL Friends of the Library Meeting:** The first Tuesday of every month, 6:30-8:00 pm. New Members are always welcome!

**ESOL Tutoring:** Free assistance with learning English as a second language. Please call to register.

**Farmers' Market:** The first Saturday of every month, 9:00 am-2:00 pm. Food, crafts, homemade items, and holiday gifts at our monthly indoor/outdoor market. Rain or shine!

**Fiber Arts Group:** Wednesday, May 21, 6:00-7:30 pm. Share your needle arts skills and bring any projects you are working on. Enjoy quality time "stitched" with tips and new ideas. No registration is required.

**Thrilling Tales:** The first Thursday of every month, 1:00-2:00 pm. Join Library Director, Lois Eannel, for a selection of oral readings from a variety of well-known and lesser-known short story authors for your listening pleasure.

**Writers' Critique Group:** The second and fourth Monday, 6:00-7:45 pm.(except May 26). This is a workshop for writers of all levels. Read excerpts of your works in progress and receive helpful feedback. No registration is required.

### Gulf Beaches Public Library

**Meditation Classes:** Saturday, April 26 through June 14, 10:00 am-12:30 pm. Ted Leitho teaches meditation based on *Your Head in the Tiger's Mouth* by Ramesh Balsekar and *The Power of Now* by Eckhart Tolle.

**Book Signing:** Tuesday, May 20, 11:30 am.. Book signing by author, Jeanne Sandberg Fuller, author of *Nice Girls Are the Best Kissers*.

**International Film Movement:** First Tuesdays, 4:00 pm.. May 6, *Tanta Agua*.

**World of Humor Film:** Last Tuesdays, 4:00 pm, May 27.

**Investment Club:** Thursdays, 2:30 pm. Join a group of experienced investors in an exchange of ideas about the current market and investment opportunities.

**Scrabble:** Fridays, 1:00-4:00 pm. Learn some new two letter words.

**Writer's Group:** Mondays, 10:00 am- 12:00 pm. We welcome all writers. Bring a few pages of your current work in progress to be critiqued by the group.



# Adult Programs

## Gulfport Public Library

**Free Thinkers Open Twelve Step Meeting:** Tuesdays, 5:45-6:45 pm, FMI, call 727-360-9069.

**Gulfport Prompt Short Story Writers:** Wednesdays, 10:00 am-12:00 pm.

**Gulfport Toastmasters:** Wednesdays, 6:00-7:30 pm. FMI, call 727-827-7875.

**Women's AA Club:** Fridays, 5:45-6:45 pm.

**Digital Camera Workshops:** Two classes scheduled during May:

May 3, 11:00 am-1:00 pm – Beginning Digital Photography

May 10, 11:00 am-1:00 pm – Intermediate Digital Photography

Pre-registration required; call 727-893-1073 or sign up at the Reference Desk.

**Gulfport Garden & Bird Club Program:** Thursday, May 15, 1:00-3:00 pm. Orchids & Epiphytes (plants that grow non-parasitically upon another plant, such as a tree), presented by Pinellas County Extension Service.

**Free Family Movie Day:** Saturday, May 17, two movies, starting at 10:30 am and 1:30 pm. Join us & enjoy flicks with popcorn provided by our Circle of Friends. For movie titles, call 727-893-1074.

**Introduction to Plant Identification:** Thursday, May 22, 10:30 am-12:00 pm. Want to learn how to identify some of our wonderful Florida plants? Join a UF/IFAS Pinellas County Extension specialist and examine the basics of plant identification, from using simple keys to identifying critical characteristics that will help any would-be botanist in the field. An emphasis will be placed on flowering plants, but ferns will be included as well.

**SCORE Face-to-Face Counseling:** Tuesday, May 27, get free and helpful business advice from locally based business mentors on the fourth Tuesday of the month. Call to set up an appointment, 727-893-1073.

## Largo Public Library

**Crafter Dark:** Wednesday, May 7, 6:00 pm. Join us to create a library book-inspired craft that is perfect for giving (or keeping)! In May, construct a simple chainmail bracelet. Mother's Day is just around the corner, and either of these handmade projects is sure to be a hit!

**Story Circle Writers' Group:** Wednesday, May 7, 6:00 pm. The Story Circle is a chance for writers to share their stories and develop their skills. The group is facilitated by author and writing coach, Jan Golden.

**Poets Live:** Monday, May 12, 6:30 pm. Participate in this volunteer-led group for poetry enthusiasts.

**Socrates Cafe:** Thursday, May 8, 1:00 pm. The Socrates Cafe is a volunteer-led program that allows people from all backgrounds to exchange ideas and opinions on a variety of topics in a fun, inclusive environment.

**English Language Learning Conversation Club:** Mondays, May 5, 12, & 19, 10:00am. Want to practice speaking and listening in English? Want to meet other ELL learners? This is a great opportunity! Join us for a fun, informal hour.

**Family Tree Maker User Group:** Saturday, May 3, 10:00 am. Q&A and a demonstration of how to use the Family Tree Maker genealogical database software.

**More Maps in Genealogy Research:** Wednesday, May 14, 10:00 am. This class deals with military, ward, topographical, plat, and railroad maps.

**Computers in Genealogy:** Saturday, May 17, 10:00 am. Question and answer session on the use of computers in genealogy research and record keeping.

**Workshop Tour of the Genealogy Center:** Saturday, May 17, 1:00 pm. Visit the Genealogy Center and get an understanding of how to use the materials in the space.

**Military Records:** Monday, May 19, 6:00 pm. Discover types of records, where to find them, and how to use them.

**Rootsmagic User Group:** Saturday, May 24, 10:00 am. Q&A and a demonstration of how to use the RootsMagic genealogy database software.

**Internet Site Exploration:** Wednesday, May 28, 6:00 pm. A fun-filled look at some lesser-known genealogy websites. Bring along some of your favorites.

## Oldsmar Public Library

**Movies & Popcorn:** Friday, May 2, 1:00 pm. Join us for a movie on the big screen! Call the library for movie title.

**SCORE Small Business Counseling:** Tuesday, May 6 & 20, 10:00 am-12:00 pm & 1:00-3:00 pm. Free 1 hour one-on-one session with a SCORE business counselor. Register at the Reference Desk or by phone.

**Poetry Group:** Wednesday, May 7, 6:00-7:30 pm. Call 727-251-4754 for more information.

**Friends of the Library:** Thursday, May 15, 1:00 pm, General Meeting & Elections.

## Palm Harbor Public Library

**Socrates Café:** May 1, 6:00-7:45 pm and May 15, 1:00-2:45 pm. This is one of our most popular programs! If you need intellectual stimulation and want to discuss a variety of subjects, you will enjoy this group.

**Fashion and Closet Organization Series-Making the Most of Your Closet:** Saturday, May 3, 10:30-11:30 am. Wardrobe consultant and fashion stylist, Kara Beck, facilitates this program. Questions and answers follow the presentation. Registration required.

**Medicare Assistance:** Mondays, May 5 and 19, 1:00-5:00 pm. A SHINE representative meets with seniors one-on-one to assist them in better understanding Medicare. Please schedule an appointment by phoning 1-800-963-5337 or by stopping at the library's Adult Services Desk.

**Florida Master Money Mentors-Managing Your Money:** Tuesday, May 6, 1:00-3:00 pm. The program, presented by the Pinellas County Extension Office, offers free financial coaching to persons aged 18 and older. To register, go to: <http://pinellassustainableliving.eventbrite.com/> or phone 727-582-2103.

**Master Gardener Lecture Series:** Thursday, May 8, 2:00 pm and 6:15 pm. The Pinellas County Master Gardeners sponsor the program "Top 10 Tips for Creating a Florida Friendly Landscape." Admission is free; space is limited. To reserve a seat, call Pinellas County Extension at (727) 582-2603.

**Friday Movie Matinees:** Friday, May 9, 2:00-4:00 pm. Call the library at (727) 784-3332 x. 3006 for movie title.

**Artist Meet and Greet:** Thursday, May 15, 5:30-7:00 pm. Come meet sculptor Susan O'Hara, the Florida artist whose works are featured in the John Brock Art Alcove during May and June. Light refreshments will be served.

**Florida Master Money Mentors-Basic Saving and Investing:** Thursday, May 22, 1:00-3:00 pm. This program, presented by the Pinellas County Extension Office, encourages you to create goals, learn to save, build an emergency fund, and discover the basics of investing. To register, go to: <http://pinellassustainableliving.eventbrite.com/> or phone 727-582-2103.

**Franchising 101:** Tuesday, May 22, 5:30-7:30 pm. "How to Find a Business that Fits." Who doesn't love the idea of being his own boss, controlling his own destiny? This seminar is a first step for anyone who is thinking about going into business for him/herself! SCORE representative, Pat Deering, facilitates the seminar. Registration required.

**Suncoast Genealogy Society, Roots Magic User Group:** Saturday, May 24, 1:00-1:45 pm. Attendees are assisted in the use of online genealogy resources and repositories.

**Suncoast Genealogy Society General Meeting:** Saturday, May 24, 2:00-4:00 pm. Today's topic is "How Cemeteries Can Help Your Genealogy Research" facilitated by Marianne Bradley.

**Master Gardener Plant Clinic:** Wednesdays, 10:00 am-2:00 pm. The Pinellas County Master Gardeners provide a weekly gardening help desk for the public. Bring your gardening questions and plant samples.

**Conversation Classes:** Thursdays, 6:30-7:30 pm. The Palm Harbor Literacy Council invites you to practice your English conversational skills with other students and volunteers from the literacy department. These classes are open to anyone who is learning English as a second language. Monthly meetings include discussions and special presentations on various topics.

**Tai Chi for Movement and Balance:** Join us for a fall-prevention program for seniors, developed at the Oregon Research Institute. Kris Scholz educates seniors on the importance of exercise and staying active to prevent falls. Registration (in class) is necessary. Intermediate Level, Mondays and Wednesdays, 1:00-2:00 pm. Beginner Level, Mondays and Wednesday, 2:00-3:00 pm. No classes for either level May 21 and May 26, no class for Beginner's May 14.

**Genealogy Assistance:** Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays, 1:00-4:00 pm. Members of the Suncoast Genealogy Society are present to assist with Genealogy research. This service is free of charge!

**John Brock Art Alcove:** May and June's featured artist is sculptor Susan O'Hara from Brandon. Susan interprets the human form in a primitive, modern way, using clay to depict emotion and expression.

**"Raise the Roof" Fundraiser:** Raffle tickets now on sale at the Palm Harbor Library for the November drawing. The top prize is \$10,000! For details go to <http://www.palmharborlibrary.org/library/raisetherooft.html>

## Safety Harbor Public Library

Registration required; call 727-724-1525 x 4112

**ESOL Conversation Club:** Tuesdays, May 6, 13, & 20, 4:30-6:00 pm. ESOL conversation club to brush up on your English in an informal, comfortable session. Registration required.

**Creative Writers Group & Story Circle:** Wednesday, May 21, 6:00 pm. Facilitators Jan Golden and Sheila McNaughton provide lessons, suggestions for topics, and gentle feedback. This group writes, shares, and encourages each other to preserve their life experiences.

**Safety Harbor Writers & Poets Library Group:** Thursday, May 22, 6:00 pm. A writers gathering, for those in search of forming or joining a writers' group, connecting to others with similar writing goals, and ideas on how to make their current or future group successful. Bring something to share if time permits, we will discuss the strengths and how your work may improve.

**SCORE Small Business Counseling:** Tuesdays, May 13 & 27, 10:00 am-2:00 pm. Appointments available from 10:00 am - 2:00 pm. Free and confidential small business advice.

**Barnes & Noble: Nook Demonstration:** Thursday, May 1, 6:30 pm. Meet a representative from Barnes & Noble, and get tips on improving your NOOK experience. Learn how this e-reader works, see the NOOK in action, and ask questions.

**Community Mosaic Project:** Saturday, May 3, 10:00 am-3:00 pm. Create a tile as part of a permanent mosaic patchwork at the Library. All materials and instruction provided. \$25.00 donation. Visit [www.SafetyHarborLibraryFoundation.org](http://www.SafetyHarborLibraryFoundation.org) for information and sign-up.



# Adult Programs

**Cynthia Sandor: Through Innocent Eyes:** Thursday, May 8, 6:30 pm. Meet author Cynthia A. Sandor as she discusses her mother's experience and journal entries as a child in Hitler's Youth Movement.

**Jan Golden: Dream Workshop:** Thursday, May 15, 6:30 pm. Learn about meaning and symbolism and how you can use your dreams to awaken your creative and spiritual self.

**Heart & Soul Cinema:** Sunday, May 18, 1:30 pm. *A Better Life* a story that follows father and son as they embark on a physical and spiritual journey to discover that family is the most important part of the American dream. Starring Demian Bichir & Jose Julian, rated PG-13.

**Mark McGourley: Native American Style Flute Concert:** Thursday, May 29, 6:30 pm. A night of enchanting Native American style flute music performed to a multimedia presentation of moving scenes of mountains, canyons, wildlife, waterfalls & more. Sponsored by the Friends of the Safety Harbor Public Library.

**Peak Performance Massage:** Saturday, May 24, 1:00 pm. Learn about the healthful benefits of massage therapy followed by free mini massages.

## St. Pete Beach Public Library

**Family Movies in May:** Mondays, 6:00-7:45 pm, May 5 (*Last Starfighter*), May 12 (*Zathura*), May 19 (*Planet 51*).

**City Commissioner Jim Parent:** Wednesday, May 28, 6:30 pm, roundtable discussion of local issues.

## St. Petersburg Public Library System

### Main Library

**Contemporary Composers Chamber Concert:** Sunday, May 25, 2:30 pm. New music Conflagration, a nonprofit dedicated to making quality performances of contemporary chamber & solo music accessible to the public.

**Florida Writers Association:** Thursday, May 8, 5:30-7:30 pm. Monthly meeting featuring topical speakers. See <http://fwatpete.blogspot.com/> for speaker schedule.

### Mirror Lake Branch

**Needle Craft Club:** Second and fourth Saturdays of each month, 1:00-3:00 pm. Needle crafts include knitting, crocheting, needlepoint, embroidery and quilting. All skill levels are welcome.

### South Branch

**South Branch Knitting Guild:** (Age 8 & up) Every Thursday, 11:00 am. All attendees must bring their own yarn, needles & supplies. Crafters with all level of experience are encouraged to participate.

**Reading Partners -Reading Buddies:** Elementary school children read aloud to adult volunteers. Call branch for more information.

### West Community Library

**St Petersburg Writer's Club:** First and third Thursdays, 6:30 pm.

**Citizenship Classes:** Tuesday, May 6, 6:00-8:00 pm.

**Art Workshop with Melissa Stevens-Grant:** Tuesday, May 20, 6:00 pm. Learn the basics of creating watercolor paintings. Space is limited to 12, call location to register.

## Seminole Community Library

**Cinema at Sundown:** Thursday, May 8, 6:00 pm. *Delicatessen* © Lionsgate (1991)—this film is Rated R for violence; in *French with English subtitles*. Thursday, May 22, 6:00 pm. *Instructions Not Included* © Lionsgate (2013)—in *Spanish with English subtitles*. Free popcorn and soda courtesy of the Friends of the Seminole Library.

**Classic Movie Matinee:** Fridays, 1:00 pm. May 2: *The King and I* © Twentieth Century Fox (1956). May 9: *The Man Who Came to Dinner* © Warner Bros. (1942). May 23: *Sunrise at Campobello* © Warner Bros. (1960). May 30: *A Night in Casablanca* © Warner Bros. (1946). Free popcorn and soda courtesy of the Friends of the Seminole Library.

**Gizmos, Gadgets & Geezers:** Need help with your phone, laptop, tablet, MP3 player, or E-Reader? Members of the Library Youth Advisory Board are here to help you become comfortable with the ever-changing world of technology. To set up an appointment, contact the Youth Services Department at 727-394-6913.

**Pause for Poetry:** Wednesday, May 21, 7:00 pm. Calling all bards! Enjoy a supportive atmosphere where lovers of poetry share their works and/or read favorite selections aloud. Spoken word encouraged. Writers and non-writers welcome.

**Socrates Café:** Monday, May 19, 1:00 pm.

**Seminole Chess Club:** (all ages) Wednesday, May 7, 14, 21 and 28, 6:30-8:30 pm. For novice, intermediate and advanced players. Basic instruction not available at the meetings. Players should already know the moves, rules and etiquette of chess.

**Sunday Musicales:** Sunday, May 18, 3:00 pm. "Billy Scott" [Vocalists and Guitarist].

**Technology Workshop: Staying Safe Online:** Friday, May 9, 1:00 pm.

**Thrilling Tales!:** Thursday, May 15, 1:00 pm. Enjoy hearing entertaining stories read aloud by a skilled reader. This month's selections are "Jack in the Giants' Newground" and "Jack and the King's Girl"—two humorous folktales from southern Appalachia. For more information call Michael Bryan, 727-394-6923.

**Two Towers Chess Club:** (all ages) Monday, May 12, 3:30-5:30 pm. All skill levels welcome.

**SPC Toastmasters:** Tuesdays, 6:15 pm.

**HEAL:** Wednesday, May 14, 1:00 pm.

**Hidden Stitches:** Monday, May 5, 6:00 pm.

**Sean Scott Seminar:** Monday, May 5, 2:00 pm.

**Seminole Recycling & Sustainability:** Monday, May 5, 10:00 am.

**Suncoast Bonzai Society:** Saturday, May 24, 10:00 am.

**Tampa Bay Hepatitis Support Group:** Thursday, May 22, 5:30 pm. Wednesday, May 28, 5:30 pm.

## Tarpon Springs Public Library

**Genealogy Assistance:** One-on-one research help on Tuesday afternoons. Other times are available by appointment; please call the library.

**Writers Group:** Fridays, 10:00 am-1:00 pm. Bring your manuscript to read and have critiqued. Call Rebecca Roberts (727)940-4327, for more information.

**The Forgotten Marlins with Sam Zygnier:** Saturday, May 3, 2:00 pm. Sam Zygnier, author of *The Forgotten Marlins: A Tribute to the 1956-1960 Original Miami Marlins*, will speak together with Jim Archer, former baseball player for the Miami Marlins and the Kansas City Athletics and former Tarpon Springs City Commissioner. This event is sponsored by the Friends of the Tarpon Springs Public Library.

**History Discussion Group:** Wednesday, May 7, 2:30 pm. Topic for discussion: "American History Trivia" presented by Bob Pattee. Come be a part of the discussion.

**Cinema Saturday:** Saturday, May 10 and 24, 2:00 pm. Watch newly released movies! Seating is limited to the first 80 people. Call the library for the movie titles.

**Needlecraft Group:** Monday, May 12 and Wednesday, May 28, 6:30-8:30 pm. Open to anyone who knits, crochets, embroiders, or does any other needlecraft. All skill levels are welcome.

**History Discussion Group:** Wednesday, May 21, 2:30 pm. Topic for discussion TBA. Come be a part of the discussion.

**Genealogy Research Group:** May 16, 2:30-4:30 pm and May 19, 6:30-8:30 pm. A wide range of topics are explored for family history research, organization, and writing. Beginners and advanced researchers are welcome. Bring your laptop or call the library to reserve one.

# Teen Programs

## Clearwater Public Library System

### Main Library

**Game On!:** Wednesdays, 3:30-6:30 pm. Teens in grades six to 12 may join us in the Teen Room for a fun, casual afternoon of video games, board games, and trading card games. Gaming consoles and board games supplied. Bring a friend – fun for all.

**Manga Book Club:** Saturday, May 31, 2:00-4:00 pm. (ages 13-18) Join us in the teen Room to read and discuss different manga monthly. Maybe reread an old favorite or find out about something completely new. We will also have an activity each month.

### Countryside Branch

**Teen Volunteer Summer Sign Up:** Sunday, May 4, 12:00- 2:00 pm. Registration for Summer 2014 Teen Volunteer Sign-Up.

### North Greenwood Branch

**Teen Club:** Wednesday, May 7, 5:00-6:15 pm. Enjoy gaming, music and more with other teens who share your interests.

### East Branch

**Summer Volunteer Registration and Orientation:** Saturday, May 17, 2:00-3:30 pm. Teens can register to volunteer during our 2014 Summer reading program. This informative session shows how you can help while earning school service hours.

## Dunedin Public Library

**Dunedin Youth Volunteers Recruitment Meeting:** Monday, May 5, 6:30 pm. Our teen volunteer group meets once a month to plan, assist and create programs for the youth of the community. This month is a Recruitment meeting. All volunteers are Bright Futures oriented. Available positions are limited.

## East Lake Community Library

**Girl Talk - Be You-Nique:** The first and third Monday of the month from 6:00-7:00pm. Girl Talk is a national program with a very simple premise: high school girls meet with middle-school girls to help with the triumphs and trials of the early teenage years! This peer-to-peer mentoring program is open to all middle school girls - no registration is required.

**Teen Council Meeting:** Every first, second, and third Monday from 4:00-5:00pm. Gather with the **ELCL Teen council** to help coordinate events for the teens in our community. Bring a friend!

**Teen Tutors:** Free assistance for students of all ages with Math, English, and Reading! Preregistration is required; please call for details.

**Teen Volunteers Needed:** Any teens looking for hours for Bright Futures? Then, this is the place for you! Please call for details.

## Gulfport Public Library

**Teen Leadership Workshops:** Mondays, through May 12, 5:30-6:30 pm. Presented by the Gulfport Toastmasters for teens. FMI, contact [kellymenges@hotmail.com](mailto:kellymenges@hotmail.com).



# Teen Programs

**TEEN GAME ZONE:** Wednesdays, 3:00-5:00 pm. Come challenge your friends on the latest XBOX 360 games or just hangout. Free Refreshments. FMI, call 727-893-1073 & ask for Cailey.

**Free Family Movie Day:** Saturday, May 17, two movies, starting at 10:30 am and 1:30 pm. Join us & enjoy flicks with popcorn provided by our Circle of Friends. For movie titles, call 727-893-1074.

## Largo Public Library

**Teen Connect:** May theme - Summer & Vacation Stories. Get rewarded for reading! Participate in this reading incentive program that runs throughout the school year and is just for teens. Ages 13-18. No registration required. See the Teen Room attendant for details.

**Wii Warriors:** Thursday, May 1, 2:30-5:30 pm. Test your Wii skills at this monthly gathering of gamers. Stop in after school to participate in a Wii tournament or just to play for fun. Ages 13-18.

**Puttering Around:** Monday, May 19, 5:00 pm. Participate with members of TLC to plan this year's teen fundraising event - Book Maniacs' Mini-Golf. Develop ideas, build props, and volunteer on the day of the program. Ages 13-18. See Julie to sign up.

**Jenga Madness:** Thursday, May 22, 2:30-5:30 pm. Drop in to play a round of Jenga with your fellow classmates. Compete for the top spot to earn prizes and more! Ages 13-18.

## Oldsmar Public Library

**Teen Coffee House:** (Grades 6-12) Tuesday, May 20, 6:00-7:30 pm.

## Palm Harbor Public Library

**Palm Harbor Youth Advisory Board (YAB):** (Ages 13-18) Thursdays, May 1, 15, 22, 29, 5:00-6:00 pm. The Youth Advisory Board (YAB) strives to serve the Palm Harbor Library and community by planning relevant programs for the youth of Palm Harbor. Membership is open to all teens that complete a YAB application. Attendance at weekly meetings and participation in various service activities and programs is expected. Come join us! Hours may be counted for Bright Futures Scholarships.

**Best of 2013 Book Bingo:** (Ages 11-18) Discover the best of the best books of 2013 through bingo! Each bingo card is comprised of award-winning books' covers. You may discover your new favorite book and win an awesome prize in the same night!

**Anime Club:** (Ages 11-16) May 19, 4:30-5:30 pm. Join our first ever anime club! Ms. Marisa and Ms. Samma will be your guides to all things anime, new and old. Come discuss your favorite characters, your least favorite story arcs, your cosplay accomplishments and frustrations, and more! This club meets once a month, so if you miss this month, try to catch them next month!

**Teen Summer Volunteer Opportunities:** (Ages 14 & up) Applicants must be responsible and available weekly June 16-August 2 for a variety of duties. Applications submitted will be reviewed by our Volunteer Coordinator and interviews will be scheduled. After successful completion of this process there will be a mandatory training session. Interested individuals please contact Cecile Creely at cecile@phlib.org or 727-784-3332 x 3005.

## Barbara S. Ponce Public Library

**Teen Advisory Board:** The T.A.B. helps to plan and organize teen programs and events for the Library. Meetings are held the third Thursday of each month at 6:30 pm, May 15. If interested, speak to a staff member at the Youth Services desk or call 541-0716.

**Teen Book-to-Movie Club:** Wednesday, May 28, 5:30 pm. Read watch and discuss the similarities and differences of books that have crossed over to the silver-screen. May Book: *Pride and Prejudice* by Jane Austen.

**Teen Creative Writers Group:** Whether you write poetry, fiction, or even fanfiction, all genres and types are welcome. This group meets on the second Wednesday of every month, May 14, 6:00-7:30 pm.

**Teen Art Club:** Monday May 12, 6:00-7:30 pm. Second Monday of each month. Artistically minded teens will be able to gather and work on their art in an informal environment; materials supplied.

**Teen Scene: Game Night:** Friday, May 16, 7:00-9:00 pm. Teens are invited to enjoy an evening of fun, food and entertainment at the library. Play board games, card games, sing karaoke, hang out with your friends and meet new ones! Pre-registration required.

**Origami Workshop:** May 13, 6:30-8:00 pm. Learn the art of paper folding from our local origami expert, Virgil Manning. Registration is necessary. Call (727) 541-0716 to sign-up.

## Safety Harbor Public Library

Registration required; call 727-724-1525 x 4118.

**Teen Library Advisory Board (TLAB):** Ages: 13+. Monday, May 5, 5:00 pm. Join TLAB and participate in planning and implementing programs for teens!

**Operation Gratitude:** (Grades: 6-12) May 1-30. Write a letter or card to thank our active service members. All cards and letters will be mailed to Operation Gratitude.

**Select Choice Free SAT Prep and Parent Info Session:** (Grades 9-12) Saturday, May 10, 9:30 am. Teens can take a practice SAT and have it reviewed by our experts. Parents can attend an information session while their students are testing. Registration required.

**Tutoring Tuesdays:** Language Arts. Ages 13+. Second & fourth Tuesday of each month, 3:00 pm. Get help from a certified Reading/English teacher. Registration required.

**Anime + Manga Club:** Ages 13+. Second & fourth Tuesday of each month, 4:30 pm. Draw and watch anime films with fellow manga & anime fans.

**Cartooning Class with Krishna Sadasivam:** (Ages 11-18) Saturday, May 17, 10:00 am. Learn how to draw from a professional cartoonist, Krishna Sadasivam, during our monthly class. Registration required.

**Teen Movie:** (Ages 13+) Saturday, May 31, 2:30 pm. Enjoy free popcorn, watch the story of *Thor*.

## St. Petersburg Public Library System

### Main Library

**Knights of the Square Table (Chess Club):** Monday, May 12, 3:30-5:30 pm. Join the fun - challenge others.

### North Branch

**Teen Computer Squad:** Mondays, 2:30-5:30 pm, Wednesdays, 2:30-4:30 pm, Fridays, 3:00-5:30 pm, & Saturdays, 10:00 am-4:00 pm. Receive computer help from our tech savvy teens appointments are on a first come first served basis.

### West Community Library

**Teen Night:** (Ages 13-19) Thursday, May 8, 6:30 pm. Sherlock Holmes Scavenger Hunt. Make a popsicle/paper moustache.

### Seminole Community Library

**Library Youth Advisory Board (LYAB):** (grades 8-12) Monday, May 12, 7:00-8:00 pm. Meet new people, help choose materials for the Young Adult collection, take part in the City's Halloween & Pow-Wow events and earn volunteer credits. Meetings are held twice a month on Mondays during the school year. Refreshments will be served. For further information, please call Ms. Bowen at the library, 727-394-6914.

**Tween Thursday:** (grades 5-7) Thursday, May 1, 7:00-8:00 pm. Join your peers for friendship and fun! Enjoy crafts, games, snacks and chitchat! Bring a friend and enjoy making new ones.

**Two Towers Chess Club:** (all ages) Monday, May 12, 3:30-5:30 pm. All skill levels welcome.

**Seminole Chess Club:** (all ages) Wednesday, May 7, 14, 21 and 28, 6:30-8:30 pm. For novice, intermediate and advanced players. Basic instruction not available at the meetings. Players should already know the moves, rules and etiquette of chess.

**Pause for Poetry:** (all ages) Wednesday, May 21, 7:00 pm. Enjoy a supportive atmosphere where lovers of poetry share their own poems and/or read favorite selections.

### Tarpon Springs Public Library

**Manga Book Club:** (Ages 12 and up) Monday, May 5 and 19, 7:30 pm. If you like manga, graphic novels and anime, then this club is the place for you! Hang out and meet other teens who share your interests. Each month new titles and series will be selected to read and discuss. Members will also enjoy watching popular anime episodes.





# PPLC Member Library Policies & Services

## MISSION STATEMENT

PPLC provides leadership, resources and opportunities to enhance the quality, value, and availability of library services to members.

## VISION STATEMENT

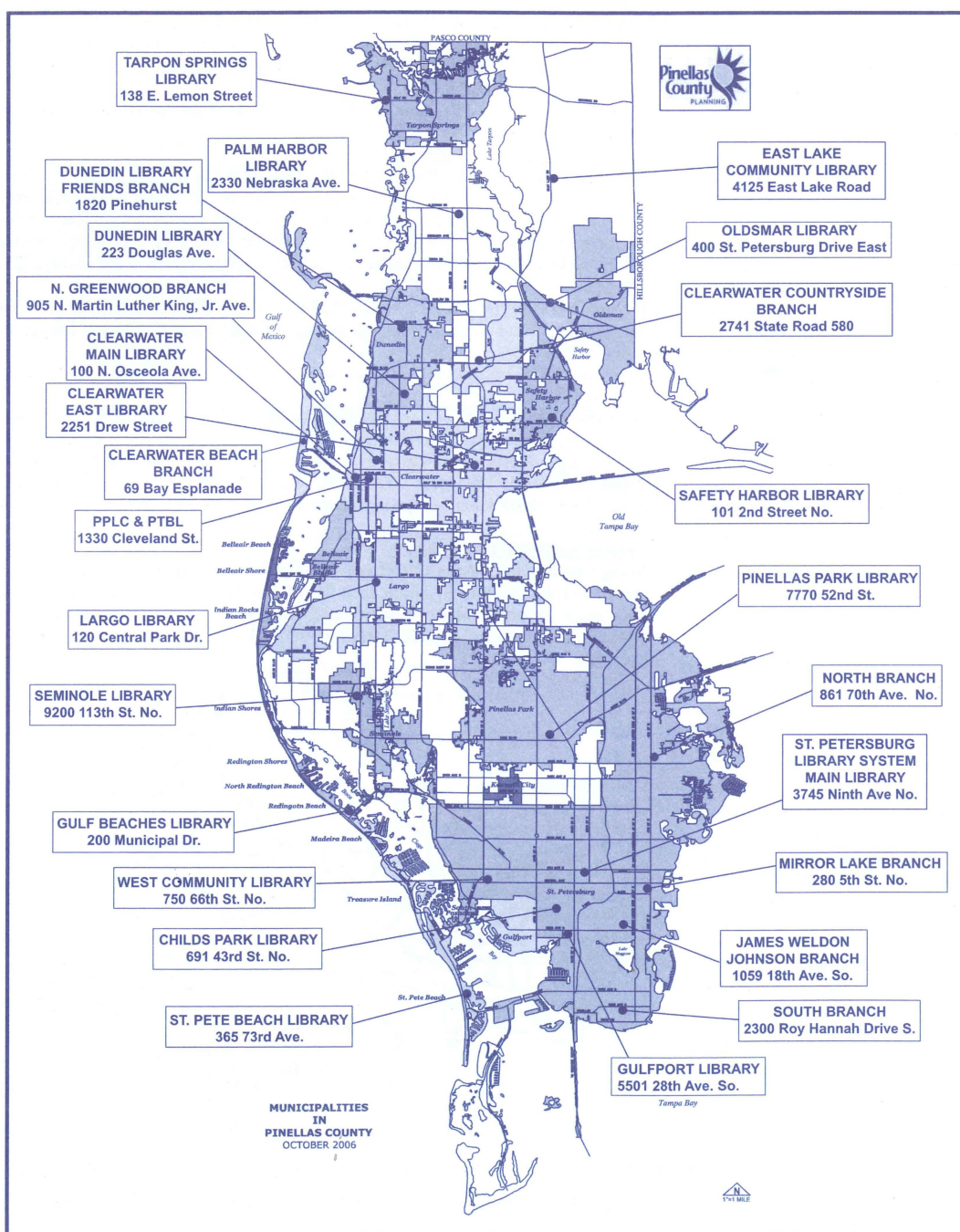
PPLC will lead the way for world-class library services to its members.

## PPLC Board of Directors

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## PPLC Executive Director

Interim, Linda Allen



## SERVICES

- Book discussions and reviews
- Books, CDs, DVDs, and magazines for checkout
- Computer classes
- Downloadable audiobooks & eBooks
- Downloadable music
- Countywide automation system and book delivery and return
- Friends of the Library and volunteer groups
- Internet access
- Interlibrary loan
- Literacy classes and tutoring
- Programs for adults and young adults
- Reference assistance and reader's advisory
- Story hours and children's activities

## POLICIES

- A resident of the unincorporated areas of Pinellas County or one of the member cities is entitled to a free library card.
- Residents of non-member cities may receive a card valid for one year upon payment of \$100. Note: Some cities reimburse all or part of this fee.
- One Cooperative card is good at all Cooperative libraries.
- Cards issued to residents are valid for three years.
- Cards issued to non-residents are valid for one year.
- Register for a card at any Cooperative member library.



# Cooperative Libraries

## Administrative Office

### Pinellas Public Library Cooperative

1330 Cleveland Street  
Clearwater, FL 33755  
Phone: 441-8408 • Fax: 441-8938  
[www.pplc.us](http://www.pplc.us)  
Mon - Wed 9am - 8pm  
Thurs 12pm - 8pm  
Fri - Sat 9am - 5pm

### Born to Read

1330 Cleveland Street  
Clearwater, FL 33755-5103  
Phone: (727) 449-2861  
Fax: (727) 441-8938  
Mon - Fri 9:30am - 4pm

### Deaf Literacy Center

101 Second Street North  
Safety Harbor, FL 34695  
Phone: (727) 724-1525 x232  
Fax: (727) 724-1533  
TDD: (727) 724-1529  
<http://deafliteracycenter.org>  
Mon - Thurs 9am - 8pm

### Talking Book Library

1330 Cleveland Street  
Clearwater, FL 33755-5103  
Phone: (727) 441-9958  
TDD: (727) 441-3168  
[www.pplc.us/tbl](http://www.pplc.us/tbl)  
Mon - Fri 9am - 4:30pm

### Clearwater System

#### Main Library & Offices

100 N. Osceola Avenue  
Clearwater, FL 33755  
Phone: 562-4970  
<http://myclearwater.com/cpl>  
Mon - Thur 10am - 7pm  
Fri 12pm - 5pm  
Sat-Sun 12pm - 5pm

#### Beach Branch

69 Bay Esplanade  
Clearwater, FL 33767  
Phone: 562-4970  
Sat & Sun Closed  
Mon - Fri 1pm - 5pm

#### Countryside Branch

2741 State Road 580  
Clearwater, FL 33761  
Phone: 562-4970  
Mon - Thur 10am - 7pm  
Fri Closed  
Sat - Sun 12pm - 5pm

#### East Branch

2251 Drew Street  
Clearwater, FL 33765  
Phone: 562-4970  
Sun Closed  
Mon - Thur 10am - 7pm  
Fri - Sat 12pm - 5pm

### North Greenwood Branch

905 N. Martin Luther King, Jr. Ave.  
Clearwater, FL 33755  
Phone: 562-4970  
Sat - Sun Closed  
Mon - Thur 10am - 7pm  
Fri 12pm - 5pm

### Dunedin Library

223 Douglas Avenue  
Dunedin, FL 34698  
Phone: 298-3080  
<http://www.dunedingov.com>  
Mon - Wed 9:30am - 8pm  
Thu - Fri 9:30am - 6pm  
Sat 9:30am - 5pm  
Sun 1pm - 5pm

### Friends Branch

1920 Pinehurst  
Dunedin, FL 34698  
Phone: 812-4548  
Mon 9am - 1pm  
Wed 3pm - 7pm  
Tues & Thur 2pm - 6pm

### East Lake Community Library

4125 East Lake Road  
Palm Harbor, FL 34685  
Phone: 773-2665  
<http://www.eastlakelibrary.org>  
Mon 10am - 5pm  
Tues - Wed 10am - 8pm  
Thu - Fri 10am - 5pm  
Sat 10am - 4pm

### Gulf Beaches Library

200 Municipal Drive  
Madeira Beach, FL 33708  
Phone: 391-2828  
<http://www.gulfbeacheslib.org>  
Mon, Wed - Fri 10am - 6pm  
Tue 10am - 8pm  
Sat 10am - 5pm

### Gulfport Library

5501 28<sup>th</sup> Avenue South  
Gulfport, FL 33707  
Phone: 893-1074  
Fax: 344-6386  
Reference: 893-1073  
<http://www.mygulfport.us/gpl>  
Mon - Fri 10am - 7pm  
Saturday 10am - 4pm

### Largo Library

120 Central Park Drive  
Largo, FL 33771  
Phone: 587-6715  
Reference: 587-6715  
TDD: 587-6778  
<http://www.largopubliclibrary.org>  
Sunday Closed  
Mon-Wed 9am - 8pm  
Thurs & Fri 10am - 6pm  
Saturday 10am - 5pm

### Oldsmar Library

400 St. Petersburg Drive East  
Oldsmar, FL 34677  
Phone: (813) 749-1178  
<http://www.oldsmarlibrary.org>  
E-mail: [information@oldsmarlibrary.org](mailto:information@oldsmarlibrary.org)  
Mon - Thu 9am - 8pm  
Fri - Sat 9am - 5pm

### Palm Harbor Library

2330 Nebraska Avenue  
Palm Harbor, FL 34683  
Phone: 784-3332  
<http://www.palmharborlibrary.org>  
Mon & Wed 10am - 6pm  
Tues & Thurs 12 noon - 8pm  
Fri 12pm - 5pm  
Sat 10am - 5pm

### Barbara S. Ponce Public Library

7770 52<sup>nd</sup> Street  
Pinellas Park, FL 33781  
Phone: 541-0718  
Reference: 541-0719  
<http://www.pinellas-park.com/library>  
Mon - Thu 9am - 8:30pm  
Fri - Sat 9am - 5pm  
Sun 1pm - 5pm

### Safety Harbor Library

101 2<sup>nd</sup> Street North  
Safety Harbor, FL 34695  
Phone: 724-1525  
<http://www.cityofsafetyharbor.com/library>  
Mon - Thu 9:30am - 8pm  
Fri 9:30am - 6pm  
Sat 9:30am - 5pm  
Sun 1pm - 5pm

### St. Pete Beach Library

365 73<sup>rd</sup> Avenue  
St. Pete Beach, FL 33706  
Phone: 363-9238  
<http://www.stpetebeach.org>  
Sun Closed  
Mon. & Wed 10am - 8 pm  
Tues - 10am - 6pm  
Thur - Fri 10am - 6pm  
Sat 10am - 2pm

### St. Petersburg System

#### Administrative Offices

280 5th Street North  
St. Petersburg, FL 33701  
Phone: 893-7318

#### Main Library

3745 Ninth Avenue North  
St. Petersburg, FL 33713  
Phone 893-7724  
Reference: 893-7928  
<http://www.splibraries.org>  
Mon, Wed, Fri 10am - 6pm  
Tue, Thu 10am - 8pm  
Sat 10am - 6pm  
Sun 12pm - 6 pm

### Childs Park Branch

691 43<sup>rd</sup> Street South  
St. Petersburg, FL 33711  
Phone: 893-7714  
Mon & Thu 10am - 7pm  
Tues, Wed, Fri 10am - 5:30pm  
Sat 10am - 2pm

### James Weldon Johnson Branch

1059 18<sup>th</sup> Avenue South  
St. Petersburg, FL 33705  
Phone: 893-7113  
Mon & Wed 10am - 8pm  
Tues, Thur, Fri 10am - 6pm  
Sat 12pm - 6pm

### Mirror Lake Branch

280 5<sup>th</sup> Street North  
St. Petersburg, FL 33701  
Phone: 893-7268  
Mon & Wed 10am - 7pm  
Tues, Thur, Fri 10am - 6pm  
Sat 9am - 5pm

### North Branch

861 70<sup>th</sup> Avenue North  
St. Petersburg, FL 33702  
Phone: 893-7214  
Mon, Wed, Fri - Sat 10am - 6pm  
Tues & Thur 10am - 8pm  
Sat 10am - 6pm

### South Branch

2300 Roy Hanna Drive S.  
St. Petersburg, FL 33712  
Phone: 893-7244  
Mon, Wed, Fri 10am - 6pm  
Tues & Thur 10am - 8pm  
Sat 12pm - 6pm

### West Community Library

@ SPC Gibbs Campus  
6700 8<sup>th</sup> Ave. North  
St. Petersburg, FL 33710  
Phone: 341-7199  
Mon - Thu 7:30am - 9pm  
Fri 7:30am - 4pm  
Sat 10am - 5pm  
(Reduced hours when classes not in session)

### Seminole Library

9200 113<sup>th</sup> Street North  
Seminole, FL 33772-2800  
Phone: 394-6905  
<http://www.spcollege.edu/scl>  
Mon - Thu 7:30am - 9pm  
Fri 7:30am - 6pm  
Sat 10am - 5pm  
Sun 1pm - 5pm  
(Reduced hours when SPC classes not in session)

### Tarpon Springs Library

138 E. Lemon Street  
Tarpon Springs, FL 34689  
Phone: 943-4922  
<http://tarponspringslibrary.org>  
Email: [tslibrary@pplc.us](mailto:tslibrary@pplc.us)  
Mon - Wed 10am - 9pm  
Thu - Fri 10am - 6pm  
Sat 10am - 5pm



# Computer Classes

## Clearwater Public Library System

### Main Library

**Computer and e-Reader Help:** Wednesdays, 10:30 am-12:30 pm. Meet with library computer techs for assistance using e-readers, computers, or the Internet. You can use library laptops or bring your own. Main Library, 3rd floor. No registration required.

**Technology Topics:** Saturday, May 10, 1:00-3:00 pm. Windows files and folders.

### Beach Branch

**Computer Help with Ray:** Mondays, 1:00-3:00 pm. except May 26. All types of computer help provided by Ray Pedersen, former IBM employee.

### Countryside Branch

**Computer and e-Reader Help!:** Thursdays, 12:30-3:30 pm. Meet with computer techs in the library for assistance using e-readers, computers, or the Internet. You can use library laptops or bring your own.

### North Greenwood Branch

**Computer and e-Reader Help:** Mondays, 4:00-6:00 pm. except May 26. Meet with our computer techs for assistance using e-readers, computers, or the Internet. You can use the library's laptops or bring your own. No registration required.

### East Branch

**Computer and e-Reader Help:** Tuesdays, 2:00-5:00 pm. Meet with library computer techs for assistance using e-readers, computers, or the Internet. You can use library laptops or bring your own.

### Deaf Literacy Center

Check website for date, time and location [www.deafliteracycenter.us](http://www.deafliteracycenter.us) or Call Rosa 727-724-1525 ext 4120 or email [rrodriguez@pple.us](mailto:rrodriguez@pple.us) for more information!

### Dunedin Public Library

**Excel 2010 Basics, Part 2:** Thursday, May 1, 11:00 am.

**Managing a Complex List in Excel 2010:** Tuesday, May 6, 11:00 am.

**Printing and Saving an Excel Workbook:** Thursday, May 8, 11:00 am.

**PowerPoint 2010 Basics, Part 1:** Tuesday, May 13, 11:00 am.

**PowerPoint 2010 Basics, Part 2:** Thursday, May 15, 11:00 am.

**Beyond PowerPoint 2010 Basics, Part 1:** Tuesday, May 20, 11:00 am.

**Beyond PowerPoint 2010 Basics, Part 2:** Thursday, May 22, 11:00 am.

**Windows Live MovieMaker, Part 1:** Tuesday, May 27, 11:00 am.

**Windows Live MovieMaker, Part 2:** Thursday, May 29, 11:00 am.

### East Lake Community Library

**Basic Computer Classes with Kevin:** Every Saturday from 2:00-4:00pm. Please call to register. (ASK MO)

**Computer Chat with Paul:** The first and third Friday of every month from 1:00-3:00 pm. Computer instructor, Paul, will be here to help with your computer issues and questions with one-on-one assistance. Preregistration is required.

### Gulf Beaches Public Library

*All classes at 1:00 pm. If you are bringing a laptop, please set it up before the class begins.*

**E-mail Class:** Wednesday, May 14.

**Open Forum:** Monday, May 19.

**Internet Class:** Wednesday, May 21.

**Facebook:** Cancelled in May.

### Gulfport Public Library

**One-on-One Computer Instruction:** Mondays, 10:00 am-1:00 pm. First come, first served.

**Beginning iPad Workshop:** Thursday, May 1, 1:00-3:00 pm. Learn how to benefit from and enjoy your new technology. Pre-registration required for this popular class. Sign up at the Reference Desk or call 727-893-1073.

Find Us On Facebook! <https://www.facebook.com/GulfportLibraryFL>

### Largo Public Library

**Internet:** Thursday, May 1, 10:30 am. Do you feel like you are broken down on the Information Superhighway? This introductory class is designed to provide the skill set that you will need to get you comfortably cruising online. Class size is limited. Please call 727-587-6715 to register.

**Word Processing:** Thursday, May 15, 10:30 am. Whether you want to write the next great American novel or simply type your resume into the computer, knowing the basics of word processing is a necessity. This introductory class explores how to create a document in Microsoft Word, how to copy & paste text, change the font, and how to save or print your work. Class size is limited. Please call 727-587-6715 to register.

**Library eBooks on Your Kindle:** Thursday, May 15, 3:00 pm. Learn how to download library books to your Kindle or using the Kindle app. This class is specifically for Kindles and mobile device owners using a Kindle app.

**Library eBooks on Your eReader:** Thursday, May 8, 3:00 pm. Learn how to browse for ebooks, place a hold, and check out ebooks from the library's digital catalog. This class is not intended for Kindle owners.

**Library eBooks on Your Tablet:** Thursday, May 22, 3:00 pm. Do you want to read ebooks on your tablet or mobile phone? Come to this class and learn how to browse for ebooks, place a hold, and check out ebooks from the library's digital catalog using your device. This class is intended for smartphone owners, and tablets including iPads, Samsung Galaxys, Kindle Fires, Nook Colors, or Nook HDs.

**iPads for Beginners:** Tuesday, May 13, 3:00 pm. Are you baffled by your iPad? Can't figure out how to get an app or how to erase a photo? This is the class for you! This beginners' class is meant to make you more familiar and comfortable with your device.

**iPads for Beginners 2:** Tuesday, May 20, 3:00 pm. You're not that baffled by your iPad, but you'd like to know a little more. In this class, you'll learn app organization, navigation tips, and how to use some of the apps that came with the device like calendar and contacts.

### Oldsmar Public Library

**Drop-in Computer Help:** Wednesday, May 7 & 21, 3:00-5:00 pm. We will have teen volunteers available to assist you one-on-one or in a small group. Bring your own laptop or smartphone, or use library computers. First come first served.

**Computer Class:** Tuesday, May 13, 2:00 pm, *Social Media*-Find out what it is as well as its impact on our culture, communications and policy. Lecture/demonstration followed by Q & A. No registration required.

### Palm Harbor Public Library

Registration required for classes, either online at [palmharborlibrary.org](http://palmharborlibrary.org) or by phoning (727) 784-3332, x 3017. Only five students per class.

**Borrowing Library eBooks:** Wednesday, May 7, 2:00-3:30 pm. Learn how to download free eBooks using your library card and transfer them to your Kindle, Nook, iPad, phone, tablet or other eReader.

**Internet Basics:** Monday, May 12, 10:00-11:30 am. Learn how to safely navigate the Internet using a search engine like Google, Yahoo or Bing.

**iPad for Beginners:** Wednesday, May 21, 10:00-11:30 am. Bring your iPad to this beginners' class, and we will go over some basic, introduce you to apps and FaceTime, and answer any questions you might have.

**Learn to Navigate Windows 8:** Thursday, May 29, 6:30-7:45 pm. This interactive class will explore the new features of Windows 8 and how to use the system to your advantage using both a touchscreen and a mouse.

**One-On-One Computer Instruction:** Available after 2:00 pm until closing each day.

Whether you need help surfing the net, creating a Word document, or setting up an e-mail account, our teen techs can help. No need to register, but call 727-784-3332, ext. 3017 to check availability.

### Barbara S. Ponce Public Library

**Introductory Computer Classes:** For class schedule, contact Information Desk – 541-0719. Prior registration recommended.

**E-book training:** Learn how to take advantage of the library's digital collections. Bring your device and your library card. Second Wednesdays at 10:00 am. Additional sessions often offered; please call 541-0719 to inquire.

**One-on-One Technology Clinic:** Thursdays, 6:00-7:00 pm. Bring your specific questions about your e-reader, tablet, and laptop. Help is offered on a first-come-first served basis.

### Safety Harbor Public Library

Registration Required. Call 724-1525 x 4112

**Book-a-Tech Mobile Device Help:** Fridays, 3:30-5:30 pm, by appointment. Have a question about an e-reader, MP3 player or your mobile phone? Make an appointment with a techie.

**Intergenerational Computer Tutoring:** Available Sundays, 1:00-4:00 pm. Call for information and to schedule an appointment, or go to <http://computer-class.webs.com/>

**One-on-One Computer Tutoring with Dan:** Available Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday evenings by appointment. Let Dan help you with your computer questions. Call for information and to schedule an appointment.

**One-on-One Computer Tutoring with Rahul:** Available on Saturdays between 9:30 am and 12:30 pm by appointment. Have basic questions about your computer? Call to schedule an appointment.

**Tony's Beginning Computer Series Part 1:** Wednesday, May 7 & 14, 2:00-4:00 pm. A beginner's series for learning the basics about using Windows. Registration required, please register before the first class.

**Tony's Beginning Computer Series Part 2:** Wednesday, May 21 & 28, and June 1, 2:00-4:00 pm. Learn the basics about email, searching the internet and other computer applications. Registration required, please register before the first class.

### St. Pete Beach Public Library

**E-Reader Hour:** Fridays, May 2 & 16, 11:00 am. Help with downloading library books to Kindle, Nook, iPad, etc.

**I Just Got My iPad...Now What?:** Tuesday, May 6, & Wednesday, May 14, 10:30 am.

**iPad E-Books:** Friday, May 9, 10:30 am.

### St. Petersburg Public Library System

#### Main Library

**E-Government Open Lab:** Fridays, 10:00 am-1:00 pm. Library staff will be available to assist with online services & applications. Computers available on first-come, first-served basis.

**E-Books: Overdrive Library:** Thursday, May 8, 10:00 am. Learn how to borrow free e-books through the library for your Kindle, Nook, iPad or other e-reader.



# Computer Classes

**Introduction to Ancestry Library Edition:** Wednesday, May 14, 4:00 pm. Learn how to research your family history using Ancestry Library Edition.

**How Do I Gmail?:** Tuesday, May 20, 1:00 pm. Learn how to create & manage your own e-mail account using Google Mail.

**Introduction to PowerPoint 2007:** Tuesday, May 27, 4:00 pm. Begin creating custom presentations & slide shows using Microsoft PowerPoint.

## Johnson Branch

**Mousing Basics:** Monday, May 12, 10:00 am. This class is for beginners with no prior computer experience. Learn the parts of a computer and how to use a mouse.

**One-on-One Computer/Internet Training:** Tuesdays & Thursdays, 10:30 -11:30 am.

## Mirror Lake Branch

**Basic Computing:** Tuesday, May 13, 2:00 pm. All registrants must have valid PPLC library card.

## North Branch

**Introduction to Microsoft Word 2007:** Thursday, May 8, 3:00-4:30 pm. Use Microsoft Word to write letters, papers, create resumes, flyers and much more.

# Children's Programs

## Clearwater Public Library System

### Main Library

**Let's Grow, Baby-Oh!:** Mondays, May 5, 12, 10:30 am. (Ages birth to 24 months) A gentle and fun introduction to literacy through stories, songs, and fingerplays. Please bring a blanket for baby and you. Stay for play and social time after the program.

**Mothers are Special Storytime:** Wednesday, May 7, 10:30 am-12:00 pm. A very special Bright Minds Storytime in honor of Mothers' Day. Children and caregivers will enjoy participating in early literacy activities including theme related stories, songs, and crafts. Younger siblings welcome.

**Teddy Bear Birthday Party:** Wednesday, May 14, 10:30 am -12:00 pm. It's the Main Library's 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary and we are celebrating with a birthday party! Bring your oldest "stuffed" friend for this very special storytime.

**Pop in for Pop-ups:** Saturday, May 24, 3:00-4:30 pm. Readings and crafts will highlight this showcase of the delicate pop-up books that the library keeps in its non-lending collections.

**Doggone Reading Fun:** Saturday, May 17, 12:00-2:00 pm. Every third Saturday, Paws for Friendship Inc. will bring four therapy trained dogs to the library for preregistered 20 minute reading sessions. Reluctant readers, or children who might not enjoy reading aloud, are often eager to read in the presence of an adoring and nonjudgmental pup. Call to reserve a session for your young reader.

### Countryside Branch

**After School Art:** Tuesday, May 6, 4:00-4:45 pm. Elementary school level art project is fun for the whole family.

**Homework Help:** Wednesdays, 3:00-5:00 pm., May 7, 14. Volunteers are available to help elementary age students with their homework.

**The PreSchool Place/After Hours Book Club:** Thursdays, May 1, 8, 10:30-11:15 am. Stories and crafts for the under five crowd, followed by the "After Hours Book Club" for older participants. Stories and crafts.

### North Greenwood Branch

**Doggone Reading Fun:** Thursday, May 8, 4:30-6:00 pm. Paws for Friendship, Inc. will bring trained therapy dogs to the library for pre-registered 20-minute reading sessions. Reluctant readers, or children who might not enjoy reading aloud, are often eager to read in the presence of an adoring and nonjudgmental pup. Call to reserve a session.

### East Branch

**Lego Club:** Saturday, May 3, 2:00-3:30 pm. Use the library legos or bring your own. We have Duplos for younger participants.

**Bilingual Homework Help:** Tuesdays, 4:00-5:30 pm., except May 27. Bilingual homework help for kids in elementary and middle school.

**Homework Help:** Wednesdays, 4:00-5:30 pm., May 7, 14. Bright Futures scholars are available to tutor elementary school children in various subjects.

**Doggone Reading Fun:** Monday, May 19, 4:30- 6:15 pm. Paws for Friendship, Inc., will bring trained therapy dogs to the library for pre-registered 20-minute reading sessions. Reluctant readers, or children who might not enjoy reading aloud, are often eager to read in the presence of an adoring and nonjudgmental pup. Call to reserve a session.

**Mother Goose on the Loose:** Thursdays, 11:00-11:30 am., May 1, 8, 15. Infants and toddlers ages up to three years with their caregivers have rollicking fun with traditional nursery rhymes and songs in this multi-sensory early literacy program.

### Deaf Literacy Center

Check website for date, time and location [www.deafliteracycenter.us](http://www.deafliteracycenter.us) or Call Rosa 727-724-1525 ext 4120 or email [rrodriguez@pplc.us](mailto:rrodriguez@pplc.us) for more information!

### Dunedin Public Library

**Note:** There will be no Story Times or Music Mash from May 19 through June 5.

**Baby & Me Story Time:** (Birth to 18 mos), Mondays, 10:00 am. Join us for a fun introduction to stories, rhymes and songs.

**One-on-One:** Computer help for adults, with volunteer computer tutors.

### South Branch

**One-on-One:** Computer help for adults, with volunteer computer tutors.

**Registration required for the above computer classes.**

### West Community Library

**Supervised Lab Time:** Fridays, 1:30-3:30 pm. Get help with all your computer issues. Beginners & advanced users welcome.

**PowerPoint Basics:** Thursday, May 1, 12:30 pm. Learn the first steps to using Microsoft PowerPoint.

**Social Media Basics:** Thursday, May 15, 12:30 pm. Learn the basics of Facebook, & Twitter.

**Advanced Word:** Thursday, May 22, 12:30 pm. For more experienced Microsoft Word users.

**BLOGGING:** Thursday, May 29, 12:30 pm. Learn the basics of doing online blogging.

**Music Mash:** (Ages 5 and under) Mondays, 3:30 pm. Join us for a mix of music and movement using some expressive props.

**Toddler Times:** (18 to 36 mos), Wednesdays, 10:00 am and 11:00 am. Utilizing early literacy skills, toddlers will experience the exciting world of reading with books, songs, finger plays, short literature based video and a craft.

**Preschool Story Times:** (3-5 yrs.), Thursdays, 10:00 am and 11:00 am. Join us for a fun time as we enjoy thematic books, songs, finger plays, literature based videos and crafts. Each week we'll focus on early literacy skills important to reading development.

**Homework Help:** (Elementary and Middle School age youth) Tuesdays and Thursdays, 3:00-5:00 pm through May 15. Need some help? Come on Tuesdays and/or Thursdays when school is in session and have our teen volunteers help you. No registration is required.

**Sunday Family Movie:** (Youth of all ages) Sunday, May 4, 2:00 pm, Join us for a new release DVD. No registration is required.

**Tiny Tales @ the Dunedin Community Center:** (Under 5 years) Tuesday, May 6, 11:00 am. Join us for a special story time in the Kids' Room at the Dunedin Community Center. No registration is required.

**LEGO Club:** (Ages 5-12) Wednesday, May 7, 4:00 pm. Bring your imagination for an hour of creativity and building fun. No registration is required.

**Mother's Day Card Craft:** (Youth of all ages) Saturday, May 10, 2:00-4:00 pm. Come and make a card for your Mom. No registration.

**Philip's 3D Puzzle Club:** (Ages 8-14) Tuesday, May 13, 6:00 pm. Enjoy an evening of creative building fun and help assemble the intricate puzzles. No registration is required.

**Night Owls Family Story Time:** (Ages 3 and up) Tuesday, May 13, 6:30 pm. An evening story time for the entire family. Includes stories, songs, literature based movie and a special craft. Pajamas optional. No registration is required.

**Grow Your Mind:** (Ages 5-7) Wednesday, May 14, 4:00 pm. We'll talk about water and boats. It's a STEM program regarding buoyancy and surface tension. Registration is required. Registration begins 2 weeks prior to a program.

**Book Buddies - "How Do Dinosaurs Say Good-night?":** (Ages 3-5) Friday, May 16, 10:30 am. Celebrate the fun Dinosaurs books with us. We'll make a fossil necklace, read stories, dino dance and make a tasty snack. Registration is required.

**Sunday Fun Day:** (All ages) Sunday, May 18, 1:00-4:30 pm. Stop by the Youth Services Department to make a special craft. No registration required.

**Super Speed Stacking:** (Ages 8-14) Tuesday, May 20, 6:00 pm. Compete against your friends, hone your stacking skills. Stack up, stack down, who is the fastest stacker in the library? No registration required.

**Wednesday Workout:** (Ages 8-14) Wednesday, May 21, 4:00 pm. Join us for a fantastic assortment of Wii & Xbox games. All games focus on STEM. No registration.

**Bits & Pieces Puppet Theatre presents "Jack and the Beanstalk":** (All Ages) Wednesday, May 21, 6:00 pm. The puppets are huge and the story is even bigger. Bring the whole family. No registration is required.

**Make & Take Summer Craft:** (Youth of all ages) Friday, May 23, 2:00-4:00 pm. Stop by the Youth Department to make a fun visor or decorate a pair of sunglasses. No registration is required.

### East Lake Community Library

**Fiber Arts for Kids:** The second Wednesday of every month, 3:00-4:00 pm. Fabric art projects for children, ages 7-14, include needlework, knitting, embroidery, crocheting, and quilting! Please register.

**Lapsit and Linger for Babies:** Every Tuesday, 10:00-10:30 am. Interactive story time for infants-18 months, focusing on infant/caregiver bonding - stories, lap bouncing and fingerplays! No registration is required.

**Lego Club:** The first and third Wednesday, 3:00-4:15pm. Children, ages 6-12, add to your masterpiece each week or break it down and start a new project! No registration is required but space is limited.



# Children's Programs

**Mother's Day Craft:** Thursday, May 8, 4:00-5:30 pm. Come make a gift and card for mom or grandma or any special lady! No registration is required.

**Reading Readiness:** Every Tuesday, 11:30 am-12:30 pm. Preschoolers or kindergarteners ages 3-5 (pre-K) get ready to read through songs, stories, and games. No registration is required.

**TARGET Family Yoga Story Time:** Saturday, May 10 & 24, 9:30-10:30 am. Sponsored by TARGET, this children's story time, for preschool and early elementary children and a parent or caregiver, is an hour of together time to share reading, learning letters and sounds, and learning some yoga related movement. Please register.

**Teddy Bear Family Story Time:** The second and fourth Wednesday of every month, 6:30-7:15 pm. An evening story time for families to hear great holiday, seasonal, and themed stories before bedtime - bring your teddy bears and wear your pajamas if you like! No registration is required.

**Teen Tutors:** Free assistance for students of all ages with Math, English, and Reading! Please register; please call for details.

**Tiny Tots Story Time:** Every Tuesday, 10:45-11:15 am. Fun stories and movement songs for toddlers, ages 18 months - 2 1/2 years old. No registration is required.

## Gulf Beaches Public Library

**Baby & Me Storytime:** (Baby - 2 yrs) Wednesdays, 10:30 am. Short stories, puppets, songs and fingerplays followed by some baby play & good times.

**Wild Things Storytime & Art Class:** (Ages 2-4) Fridays, 10:30 am. Stories, puppets, songs, fingerplays, followed by an art/craft class at 11:00 am.

**Happy Hour Library Time:** (Ages 3-7) Fridays, 4:30-5:30 pm. Read to our adorable pet therapy dogs, hear a new book, play Dolch sight word Bingo or Legos or cards.

## Gulfport Public Library

**Science Club:** Mondays, 3:00-4:00 pm. Activity club for children in grades K-5. FMI, please call 727-893-1133 and ask for Cailey.

**Earth Scouts:** Tuesday, May 6, 3:00-4:00 pm. New activity group for school-age children thru teens meeting on the first Tuesday of the month. Parents welcome. FMI, contact gratefullyshly@gmail.com.

**Storytime:** Join Cailey every Thursday, 10:30-11:00 am. for stories & activities selected for toddlers & preschoolers. Sing songs, play instruments and meet other caregivers in the community.

**Reading Paws:** Thursday, May 8, 3:30-4:30 pm. Read a story to Maya, our reading assistance Golden Retriever. To make an appointment with Maya, please call Cailey at 727-893-1133 or email kklasson@mygulfport.us.

## Largo Public Library

**Sunset Stories:** Mondays, May 5, 6:00 pm. Relax and enjoy tales and activities. Join us at this story experience for the whole family!

**CPR Instruction:** Monday, May 5, 7:00 pm. Join us, immediately following *Sunset Stories*, for non-certified, infant/child CPR training. Learn CPR methods that could save a child in life-threatening situations.

**Wobbly Walkers:** Wednesday, May 7, 9:15 am. Join us for stories, fingerplays, music, and movement activities. For walking children ages 12 to 18 months with an adult helper.

**Toddler Tales:** Wednesday, May 7, 10:30 am. This program includes themed stories, music, and extended story activities that encourage early literacy. For children ages 18 to 36 months.

**First Steps:** Thursdays, May 1 & 8, 10:30 am. Join us in this lap-sit program for an introduction to stories, songs, and fingerplays. For babies who are not yet walking and their parents/caregivers. We recommend one baby per lap.

**Pre-K Hooray:** Thursdays, May 1 & 8, 1:00 pm. Enjoy themed stories, songs, and more in this program designed to help prepare your child to attend school. Ages 3-5. **Character Bingo:** Thursday, May 1, 4:00 pm. Learn about historical figures, famous people, or book characters in this program that combines interesting stories and trivia with a bingo game of the same theme.

**Library Legos:** Saturdays, May 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, 2:00-4:00 pm. Whether you are new to LEGOs or have been building for years, the Largo Public Library has a program for you! Challenge yourself to create a new LEGO masterpiece every week. All materials are provided. Ages 5-12.

**All Booked Up:** Wednesdays, May 7, 4:00 pm. So many books, so little time. Join us to read, discuss, share, and have fun! This program is limited to 20 children. Please register at the Children's Desk. May 7 - *Martha Speaks: Space Dogs* by Susan Meddaugh.

**Pup Pals:** Saturday, May 24, 10:00 am-12:00 pm. Improve your reading skills and make a new furry friend by reading to therapy-trained dogs. Register in the Children's Department.

**End of Spring Crafting:** Friday, May 30, 2:30-5:30 pm. Help us make use of our leftover craft supplies! Express your creativity and have fun while getting ideas for inexpensive crafts to make over the long summer break. Ages 5-12.

## Oldsmar Public Library

**Toddler Time:** (Ages 18 months- 3 years) Mondays & Tuesdays, 10:00 am, Program includes short stories, songs and activities to encourage early literacy and lasts about 1/2 hour.

**Preschool Storytime:** (Ages 3 - 5) Thursdays, 10:00 am, Program includes stories and a simple craft and lasts about 1/2 hour.

**Netsmartz - Internet Safety Program:** (Grades K through 12), complete the Netsmartz Internet Safety program at the library and receive a free kid's meal at Pollo Tropical.

## Palm Harbor Public Library

**Toddler Story Time:** (Ages 18 months-3 years) Mondays, 10:00-10:30 am (no session May 26). Interactive stories, songs and fun. Don't expect to sit still -you'll be getting all your wiggles out! No registration required.

**Mother Goose Rhyme Time:** (Ages infant-2 years) Wednesdays, 10:00-10:30 am. A weekly program for our youngest patrons filled with nursery rhymes, songs, and fingerplays. No registration required.

**Beginning Readers Book Quest:** (Ages 4-8) Saturdays, 10:30-11:00 am (no session May 31). Meet Miss April for hands on fun traveling through the Beginning Readers Collection in search of great stories. No registration required.

**Starbucks Story Time:** (All ages) Tuesday, May 13, 10:30-11:00 am. Take a coffee break and meet Miss Chris at Palm Harbor Starbucks, US Hwy 19 & Nebraska Ave. We'll share some favorite storybook characters in celebration of Children's Book Week! No registration required.

**Mom & Me Drop In:** (Ages 3 and up) Friday, May 9, 2:00-4:00 pm. We are celebrating moms and Mother's Day with stories, activities, and a simple craft at this event! No registration required.

**Art Attack!:** (Ages 6-12, parents of age-eligible children welcome) Tuesday, May 13, 6:00-7:15 pm. Join Ms. Marisa for an hour of art-themed fun. We'll discuss some famous artists and then create artwork inspired by them. Please come dressed to get a little messy! Registration required.

**Librarian's Choice Story Time:** (Ages 3 and up) Tuesday, May 13, 4:30-5:30 pm. It's a Children's Book Week reading extravaganza! Join us at the Children's Room reading terrace where our storytelling crew members take turns sharing favorite children's books. No registration required.

**It's a Seussical Celebration!:** (Ages 3 and up) Wednesday, May 14, 3:00-5:05 pm. Parents are welcome to join their age-eligible children for zany stories, games, crafts, and activities to celebrate Children's Book Week and Dr. Seuss! No registration required.

**SPC Children's Science Program:** (Ages 6-12, parents of age-eligible children welcome) Friday, May 16, 3:00-4:00 pm. Children join St. Petersburg College's Sustainability Club for a mini science lesson with crafts! Registration required.

**Leap Into Art at Leepa-Rattner:** (Ages 3 and up) Wednesday, May 28, 3:00-4:00 pm. Join Ms. Marisa for "Beautiful Oops!" at the Leepa-Rattner Museum of Art's Interactive Gallery, located on the Tarpon Springs campus of St. Petersburg College. Enjoy an hour of art-related stories and an art activity. Admission is free for children and museum members, \$6.00 for all others. No registration required.

**Fizz - Boom - Read Summer Registration Day:** (All ages) Saturday, May 31, 10:00 am-4:00 pm. Sign up begins for all of our summer reading clubs and programs. Many popular events may fill up the first day so don't snooze and lose! Register online or in person to take part in our summer of "science-tastic" fun. There's something for everyone from toddlers to adults!

## Barbara S. Ponce Public Library

**Preschool Reading Adventures:** Tuesdays, 10:15 am. This program is designed for children ages 3-5 years. This story time is to help children develop the early literacy skills that they will need for school. Program may include stories, rhymes, songs, finger plays, and crafts.

**Read, Sing, & Play Toddler Time:** Tuesdays, 11:00 am. This program will encourage and strengthen the special bond between you and your toddler by sharing early learning activities such as reading age-appropriate books, singing engaging songs, and playing simple games together.

**Music in Motion:** Wednesdays, 11:00 am. Join us as we celebrate music and movement in this 20-30 minute program designed for children ages 2-5. We will sing, play instruments, and incorporate activities which promote moving along with the beat of music.

**Read, Learn, Imagine Family Storytime:** Thursdays, 7:00 pm. Designed for young children and their caring adults. Together, engage in book sharing and interactive activities that are chosen to encourage early learning and fun imaginative play through a variety of songs, creative movement, and storytelling with lots of audience participation.

**Read Your Way to a Party:** First, third and fifth Wednesdays of each month, 3:00-4:00 p.m. An 8-week reading incentive program for elementary school students. Children log their reading activity and participation in library events to earn a party invitation.

**American Girl:** Sunday, May 25, 2:00 pm. Travel back in time with one of the historical American Girls. Learn interesting facts, make a craft, and have a taste of food that the American Girls would have eaten. Call to register.

**Lego Club:** Second and fourth Wednesday of each month from 3:00-4:00 pm. Children can practice their creative building and problem solving skills with the library's collection of Legos.

**Adventures in Art: Painting Series:** May 26, 6:00 pm. Designed for elementary and middle grade children. Call for specifics.

**Tail Waggin' Tutors:** Second and fourth Thursdays of each month, 3:30-4:30 pm. 15-minute scheduled sessions that allow children to read aloud to a therapy dog. Call 541-0716 for more information and registration.

**Origami Workshop:** Tuesday, May 13, 6:30 pm. Learn the art of paper folding. Paper is provided. Registration is required, call 541-0716.



# Children's Programs

## Safety Harbor Public Library

Registration required; call 727-724-1525 x 4118

**Toddler Time:** (Ages 18 months to 3 years) Mondays, May 5, 12, 19, 10:30 am. Bring your young one to the library to listen to stories, sing songs, dance, and do finger plays.

**Preschool Story Time:** (Ages 2-5 years) Wednesdays, May 7, 14, 21, 28, 10:30 am. Read stories, sing songs, do a craft, and participate in other fun literary activities.

**Baby & Me:** (Ages 18 months and under) Fridays, May 2, 9, 23, 30, 10:00 am. Enjoy special time with your baby while you listen to stories, sing songs, and learn finger plays, followed by a play session.

**Homework Help!** (Grades 2-8) Mondays and Thursdays, 4:00 pm. *Bright Futures Scholarship* students will be at the library to tutor and assist students who are struggling with their homework. Registration required.

**Wee Sing:** (Ages 1-5 years) Tuesdays, May 6, 13, 20, 10:00 am. This program incorporates foreign and sign languages, music sticks, and more. Registration required.

**Pigeons Are Fun Program:** (Ages 12 and under) Saturday, May 3, 2:00 pm. Learn about the different types of pigeons, their history and then meet live pigeons with pigeon expert, Bill Burnside.

**Children's Movie:** Wednesday, May 14, 3:30 pm. Watch *Wreck It Ralph* at the library. Free snacks and drinks provided.

**Zumba Kids:** (Ages 4-12 years) Thursday, May 15, 4:00 pm. Participate in a dance fitness program with instructor Tiffany Palmer Godfrey.

**Family Musical Yoga:** (All ages) Friday, May 16, 4:00 pm. Stretch, move, breathe and make music together as a family! Registration required.

**Tail-Waggin' Tutors – A Dog is a READER'S Best Friend:** Friday, May 16, 3:00 pm and Tuesday, May 20, 7:00 pm. Practice your reading with our specially trained therapy dogs. Registration required.

**Wind Streamer Craft:** (Ages 4-12) Tuesday, May 20, 3:30 pm. Celebrate Memorial Day by making a patriotic wind streamer! Registration required.

**Wii Wednesday @ the Library:** (Ages 5-12 years) Wednesday, May 21, 3:30 pm. Join your friends for fun Wii Games. Play with our games or bring your own! Must be rated E for everyone.

**LEGO League:** (Ages 3 and up) Wednesday, May 28, 3:00 pm and Saturdays, 3:00 pm. Bring your friends and join us for creative building with LEGOs.

## St. Pete Beach Public Library

**Mother Goose Story Time:** (Ages 3 & under) Thursdays, May 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29, 11:00 am.

**I Want to Be a Skeeter Reader:** certified reading therapy dog, Thursdays, May 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29, 4:00 pm.

## St. Petersburg Public Library System

### Main Library

#### **No Story Times May 27-31, 2014**

**After School Story Time:** (Ages 5-10) Thursdays, 4:00 pm. Stories, music & crafts.

**Family Story Time:** (All ages) Thursdays, 6:30 pm. Stories, Music & Crafts.

**Humpty Dumpty Story Time:** (18 mos. & under) Thursdays, 10:15 & 11:00 am. Come join us for movement, music & fun with rhymes and puppets.

**Mother Goose Story Time:** (Ages 3 & under) Fridays, 10:15 & 11:00 am. Songs, puppets & finger plays.

**Preschool Story Time:** (3-5 yrs.) Wednesdays, 10:15 am. Stories & Songs.

**Roll Over & Read:** Monday, May 5, 3:30-4:30pm. Call to register for a session.

**Super Saturdays at Main:** (All ages) 11:00 am. Fun activities include **Puppet Show:** Saturday, May 3, **Library Lego Mania:** Saturday, May 10, **Craft Corner:** Saturday, May 17 & 31, **Game Time:** Saturday, May 24.

### Childs Park Community

#### **No Story Times May 27-31, 2014**

**After School Story Time:** (Ages 5-10) Fridays, 4:30 pm. Stories, activities & music.

### Johnson Branch

#### **No Story Times May 27-31, 2014**

**Preschool Story Time:** (Ages 3-5) Tuesdays, 10:15 am. Stories & songs.

**Ice Cream Social:** Saturday, May 10, 2:30 pm. Free book for every child in attendance! Winning bookmarks will be announced. Adults must be accompanied by a child, call 892.5296 to register. (Dairy free options will be available).

### Mirror Lake Branch

#### **No Story Times May 27-31, 2014**

**Mother Goose:** (Ages 3 & under) Thursdays, 3:00 pm & Fridays, 11:00 am. Songs, puppets, & finger-plays.

**Preschool Story Time:** (Ages 3-5) Thursdays, 2:00 pm & Fridays, 10:15 am. Stories & songs.

**Library Lego Mania:** (All ages) Wednesday, May 7, 3:30 pm. Come build with us.

**Roll Over & Read:** Wednesday, May 21, 3:30-4:30 pm. Call to register for a session.

### North Branch

#### **No Story Times May 27-31, 2014**

**Family Story Time:** (All ages) Tuesdays, 6:30 pm. Stories, Music & Crafts.

**Library Lego Mania:** (All ages) Monday, May 5, 3:30 pm. Come build with us.

**Mother Goose:** (Ages 3 & under) Wednesdays, 10:15 am. Songs, puppets, & finger-plays.

**Preschool Story Time:** (Ages 3-5) Wednesdays, 11:00 am. Stories & songs.

**Puppet Show:** (All ages) Tuesday, May 27, 6:30 pm.

**Roll Over & Read:** Tuesday, May 20, 3:30-4:30 pm. Call to register for a session.

### South Branch

#### **No Story Times May 27-31, 2014**

**Mother Goose:** (Ages 3 & under) Thursdays, 10:15 am. Songs, puppets & finger-plays.

**Preschool Story Time:** (Ages 3-5) Thursdays, 11:00 am. Stories & songs.

**Roll Over & Read:** Friday, May 2, 3:30-4:30 pm. Call to register for a session.

**Superstar Readers Book Club:** (Ages 8-12) Tuesday, May 13, 4:30 pm. Call or check online for latest title.

**Library Lego Mania:** (All ages) Friday, May 16, 3:30 pm. Come build with us.

### West Community Library

#### **No Story Times May 27-31, 2014**

**After School Story Time:** (Ages 6-12) Thursday, May 1, 3:30 pm. Stories & fun.

**Roll Over & Read:** Tuesday, May 20, 3:00-5:00 pm. Call to register for a session.

**Mother Goose:** (Ages 3 & under) Tuesdays, 9:30 am., Songs, puppets, finger-plays.

**Preschool Story Time:** (Ages 3-5) Tuesdays, 10:30 am. Songs & stories.

### Seminole Community Library

**Homeschool Humanities Club:** (PK-5<sup>th</sup> grade) Monday, May 19, 10:00-11:30 am. Join area homeschooling families for story time, discussion and additional activities relating to literature, music and art. For further information on specific topics to be studied, please call Ms. Storm at the library, 727-394-6915.

**Two Towers Chess Club:** (all ages) Monday, May 12, 3:30-5:30 pm. All skill levels welcome.

**Toddler Story Time:** (18-36 mo.) Tuesday, May 6, 13, 20 and 27, 10:30 am. 20 minutes of short stories, songs and movement activities based on a weekly theme for toddlers and their caregivers.

**Preschool Story Time:** (3-5 yr.) Tuesday, May 6, 13, 20 and 27, 11:30 am. 30 minutes of short stories, songs and movement activities based on a weekly theme for preschoolers and their caregivers.

**E-magination:** (K-5<sup>th</sup> grade) NEW PROGRAM. Tuesday, May 6, 13, 20 and 27, 6:30 pm. Come stretch your imagination with crafts, games, projects, talents and sharing. Try something new, share what you know. Parents may participate or take a break!

**Baby Steps Story Time:** (newborn-18 mo.): Wednesday, May 14, 21 and 28, 10:00 am. A lap sit program featuring books, fingerplays, songs and a playtime. NO BABY STEPS ON MAY 7<sup>TH</sup> DUE TO PROGRAM CONFLICT.

**LEGOs @ the Library:** (all ages) Wednesday, May 7 and 21, 3:30 pm. Open to all elementary aged children, with a play area provided for younger siblings. LEGOs will be supplied, so bring your imagination and share your building ideas!

**Reading with the Dogs:** (reading ages) Wednesday May 14 and 28, 3:30-5:00 pm. Enjoy a one-on-one reading opportunity with one of our trained therapy dogs and their handlers. A participation release form must be completed and signed by parent/legal guardian on site before a child may participate. Please, no personal pets allowed.

**Pause for Poetry:** (all ages) Wednesday, May 21, 7:00 pm. Enjoy a supportive atmosphere where lovers of poetry share their own poems and/or read favorite selections.

**Wiggle, Giggle and Sing!:** (ages 5 and under) Thursday, May 1, 8, 15, 22 and 29, 10:30 am. Shake a parachute, toss a bean bag, and other "wiggly, giggly" musical activities.

**Walk in the Park:** (ages 5 and under) Thursday, May 8, 11:00 am. Join a college professor and enjoy the beauty of the SPC Seminole Campus *Natural Habitat Park* as you search for Florida native plants and wildlife. Weather permitting.

**Tween Thursday:** (grades 5-7) Thursday, May 1, 7:00-8:00 pm. Join your peers for friendship and fun! Play board games and the Wii. Enjoy crafts, snacks and chitchat! Bring a friend and enjoy making new ones.

**Family Movie Matinee:** (all ages) Saturday, May 3, 10, 17, 24 and 31, 2:00 pm. Free popcorn and soda provided by *The Friends of the Library!* Please call the Youth Services Department at 394-6913 for movie titles and additional information.

### Tarpon Springs Public Library

**Preschool Story Time:** (Ages 3-5), Thursdays, 10:15 am. There will be no Storytime on May 22 and May 29. Themed story time with finger plays, books, music and puppet show followed by a craft. No registration required.

**Toddler Time:** (Ages 1-3), Fridays, 10:15 and 11:00 am. There will be no Toddler Time on May 23 and 30. Early literacy fun with music, stories, finger plays and activities. Registration required.

**Craft Club:** (ages 6-12), Friday, May 2, 4:30-5:30 pm. Join us on to create a one-of-a-kind masterpiece. Registration is required.

**Drop-In Homework Help:** Mondays, May 5, and 12, 3:00-5:00 pm. Extra assistance with homework or reading provided by a retired teacher and her homework buddy, Kendell. No appointment necessary.

**After School Make 'n Take Mother's Day Craft:** (all ages) Wednesday, May 7, 3:00-6:00 pm. Stop by after school to make a gift for your favorite mother. No registration required.

**Wee Sing with Mrs. Music:** (preschool ages) Monday, May 19, 10:30 am. Join us for a preschool singing program. Have fun learning colors, numbers, letters, sign language and Spanish. No registration required.

**After School Memorial Day Craft:** Wednesday, May 21, 3:00-6:00 pm. Come on in to make a patriotic wreath. Registration required.



# Book Discussions

## Clearwater Public Library System

### Main Library

**Circulo de Lectura:** Wednesday, May 28, 1:00-3:30 pm. Spanish language book discussion group. For more information and book discussion titles, call 562-4970 x5284.

**Book Lover's Bistro:** Tuesday, May 6, 12:00-1:30 pm. Book discussion group meets over lunch to discuss past best sellers and popular titles. Call 562-4970 ext. 5284 for more information and discussion titles.

### Countryside Branch

**The Book Group @ Countryside:** Thursday, May 15, 2:30-3:30 pm. Join us for this month's interesting read, *The Story of Beautiful Girl*, by Rachel Simon.

### East Branch

**Mystery Readers Club:** Tuesday, May 20, 12:00-1:30 pm. Join the lively discussion of books covering a theme for the month.

### Dunedin Public Library

**Great Books Discussion Group:** Wednesday, May 7, 2:00 pm. Topic: "Democracy in America, Part 2", by Alexis de Tocqueville.

**Contemporary Books Discussion Group:** Tuesday, May 27, 7:00 pm. Topic: "The Round House", by Louise Erdrich.

### East Lake Community Library

**Book Club:** The first Wednesday of every month from 6:30-7:45pm. This month's selection is *Wild: From Lost to Found on the Pacific Crest Trail* by Cheryl Strayed. For more information on the author, please go to, <http://www.cherylstrayed.com>. No registration is required.

### Gulf Beaches Public Library

**Chatterbooks:** Tuesdays at 10:30 am, May 20, *The House I Loved* by Tatiana de Rosnay.

### Gulfport Public Library

**Coffee/Talk Book Club:** Thursday, May 15, 11:00 am (Note new time). Title: *Travels with Charley: In Search of America* by John Steinbeck. Discussion with coffee & light refreshments. Stop by the Circulation Desk to check out a copy. Sponsored by our Circle of Friends.

### Largo Public Library

**Last Word Book Discussion Group:** Wednesday, May 7, 6:00 pm. *The Faith Club* by Ranya Idliby.

**Booktalking with Iris:** Wednesday, May 14, 12:00 pm. Listen to a talk on popular titles each month.

### Oldsmar Public Library

**Books and Brews:** (Ages 21 and up) Tuesday, May 6, 6:30 pm, at the Oldsmar Tap House, 300 State Street East, *My Life in Orange: Growing up with the Guru* by Tim Guest, no registration required.

### Palm Harbor Public Library

**Phil's Book Club:** Monday, May 12, 11:00 am and Tuesday, May 13, 7:00 pm.

*The Paris Wife* by Paula McLain. Copies of each book are available at the library. Director Gene Coppola leads this lively book discussion group.

### Barbara S. Ponce Public Library

*The French Lieutenant's Woman*: May 14, 6:30 pm. By John Fowles

*Swamplandia!*: May 15, 2:00 pm. By Karen Russell

### Safety Harbor Public Library

**Words & Wine Book Club:** Monday, May 19, 6:30 pm. Join us for our book club held at Whistle Stop Bar and Grill, 915 Main Street. May's title is *Someone*, by Alice McDermott. Limited copies of the books are available at the library.

### St. Pete Beach Public Library

**Book Discussion Group:** Tuesday, May 20, 10:30 am, *Mystic River* by Dennis Lehane.

**Book Discussion Group film:** Tuesday, May 27, 10:30 am, *Mystic River*.

### St. Petersburg Public Library System

#### Main Library

**Speculative Fiction Book Club:** Tuesday, May 6, 2:00 pm. *Off Armageddon Reef* by David Weber. Featuring a wide variety of books, from spells to spaceships.

**Modern Classics Book Club:** Thursday, May 15, 6:30 pm. *Mrs. Dalloway* by Virginia Woolf. Read the best of 20<sup>th</sup> century fiction.

**The Real Deal Book Club:** Thursday, May 29, 6:30 pm. Book club discussing a wide range of non-fiction topics. May title selection: *TBA*

#### North Branch

**Thursday Morning Group:** Thursday, May 1, 11:00 am. *Orphan Masters Son* by Adam Johnson.

**Murder by the Book (Mystery Book Club):** Thursday, May 1, 6:30 pm. *Gone Girl* by Gillian Flynn.

**Carl G. Jung Society Reading Group:** Saturday, May 10, 10:00 am.

#### South Branch

**Book Club:** Wednesday, May 14, 2:00 pm. Call or check online for latest title.

**Mahogany Book Club:** Saturday, May 17, 12:00 pm. Call or check online for latest title.

### Seminole Community Library

**Backward Travelers Historical Fiction Book Discussion:** Tuesday, May 20, 2:00 pm.

*Blood of Flowers* by Anita Amirrezvani.

**Book Buzz!:** Tuesday, May 6, 2:00 pm. Drop by and enjoy chatting with other readers about your favorite books, plus hear the latest 'buzz' about what's new at the library.

**Booktalkers:** Wednesday, May 7, 2:00 pm. *Rebecca* by Daphne Du Maurier.

**Great Books Reading and Discussion Group:** Wednesday, May 21, 2:00 pm. *The Secret Sharer* by Conrad.

**Super Novels:** Thursday, May 22, 2:00 pm. *Go Tell it on the Mountain* by James Baldwin.

### Tarpon Springs Public Library

**Expand Your Horizons Book Club:** Wednesday, May 14, 3:30 pm. May's book will be *Songs of Willow Frost* by Jamie Ford.

**Mystery, Murder and Mayhem Book Club:** Wednesday, May 21, 7:00 pm.

The book choice for May is *Harm's Way* by Stephen White. Light refreshments will be served.

**Books and Beyond Book Club:** Thursday, May 22, 12:00 pm and will be reading *On Folly Beach* by Karen White. If you are interested in joining, please call Sherri Patterson at (727)934-5926.

## LIBRARY CLOSINGS FOR MAY 2014

Library closings for the month of May, 2014 are as follows:

### May 25

Dunedin Public Library  
Safety Harbor Public Library

### May 26

Clearwater Public Libraries  
Dunedin Public Library  
East Lake Community Library  
Gulf Beaches Public Library  
Gulfport Public Library  
Largo Public Library  
Oldsmar Public Library  
Palm Harbor Public Library  
Barbara S. Ponce Public Library  
Safety Harbor Public Library  
St. Pete Beach Public Library  
St. Petersburg Public Libraries  
Seminole Community Library  
Tarpon Springs Public Library

Library change in hours for the month of May, 2014 are as follows:

### May 9 through May 18

Seminole Community Library

Opens at 9:00 am Monday-Friday and closes at 8:00 pm Monday-Thursday.

### May 12

St. Petersburg West Community – 9:00 am to 8:00 pm

### May 13

St. Petersburg West Community – 9:00 am to 6:00 pm

### May 14

St. Petersburg West Community – 9:00 am to 6:00 pm

### May 15

St. Petersburg West Community – 9:00 am to 8:00 pm

### May 16

St. Petersburg West Community – 9:00 am to 4:00 pm



## PALM HARBOR COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT

The Palm Harbor Community Services District (PHCSD) is a special taxing district within unincorporated Pinellas County. This special taxing district, formed by the residents of Palm Harbor, was established for the purpose of providing library and recreation facilities and services to the residents of Palm Harbor. These facilities and services are funded by ad valorem taxes. Property owners within the district are levied a separate millage for this purpose (1985 voter referendum). The maximum millage rate that can be levied is 0.5 mills.

### 1081 PALM HARBOR COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT

Department Revenues by Fund / Account		FY14 Revised Budget (a)	FY15 Request		FY15 Request vs. FY14 Bud	%
<b>Library Revenues</b>						
1081	Ad Valorem Revenues*	775,710	805,910		30,200	3.9%
	Excess Fees - Constitutional Officers	2,610	-		(2,610)	-100.0%
	Interest Earnings	960	470		(490)	-51.0%
	Subtotal Palm Harbor Library Revenue	779,280	806,380		27,100	3.5%
	Beginning Fund Balance	57,620	58,400		780	1.4%
<b>Recreation Revenues</b>						
1081	Ad Valorem Revenues*	775,710	805,910		30,200	3.9%
	Excess Fees - Constitutional Officers	2,610	-		(2,610)	-100.0%
	Interest Earnings	960	460		(500)	-52.1%
	Subtotal Palm Harbor Recreation Revenue	779,280	806,370		27,090	3.5%
	Beginning Fund Balance	58,440	58,720		280	0.5%
<b>Total Revenues &amp; Fund Balance</b>		<b>1,674,620</b>	<b>1,729,870</b>		<b>55,250</b>	<b>3.3%</b>
	Millage Rate	0.5000	0.5000		0.0000	0.0%
	<i>*FY15 ad valorem revenues reflect a 4.0% increase in taxable values</i>					
<b>Department Expenditures by Program</b>				<b>FTE by Program</b>		
1081	PHCSD Library Program	772,420	797,140	n/a	24,720	3.2%
	Constitutional Officers Transfers - Library	23,470	24,410	n/a	940	4.0%
	Library Reserves Program	41,010	43,230	n/a	2,220	5.4%
1081	PHCSD Recreation Program	772,360	797,430	n/a	25,070	3.2%
	Constitutional Officers Transfers	23,470	24,410	n/a	940	4.0%
	Reserves Program	41,890	43,250	n/a	1,360	3.2%
<b>Subtotal Expenditures</b>		<b>1,674,620</b>	<b>1,729,870</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>55,250</b>	<b>3.3%</b>
	Less Reserves	(82,900)	(86,480)		(3,580)	4.3%
<b>Total Expenditures without Reserves</b>		<b>1,591,720</b>	<b>1,643,390</b>		<b>51,670</b>	<b>3.2%</b>
<b>Personnel Summary</b>						
Total FTE (Full-time equivalent positions)		<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>*****</b>

**Target Reconciliation**

FY15 Budget Request Target Not Applicable

FY15 County support of the Palm Harbor CSD is funded by a separate property  
*tax levy apart from the General Fund.*

	FY14 Budget	% of Total	FY15 Request	% of Total
<b>PALM HARBOR COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT TOTAL BUDGET</b>				
PHCSD Library and Recreation Programs (b)	\$1,535,940	69.3%	\$1,585,490	69.0%
Library Coop Funding (c)	\$174,925	7.9%	\$174,925	7.6%
Other Library Funding	\$90,600	4.1%	\$105,400	4.6%
Other Recreation Funding	\$415,800	18.8%	\$431,010	18.8%
Total Budget	<u>\$2,217,265</u>	<u>100.0%</u>	<u>\$2,296,825</u>	<u>100.0%</u>

(a) FY14 Revised Budget as of January 26, 2014

(b) Excludes Cost Allocation Operating Expense

(c) FY15 Library Coop Estimate



**Department:** Palm Harbor Community Services District  
**Strategic Focus Area:** Environment, Open Spaces, Recreation & Culture

Program	Classification	Description	FY15 Total Program Allocation (\$)	FTE's *	FY15 Total Program Revenue (\$)	Performance Measures	Estimated FY14
<b>Library Operating</b>	Mandatory	Library Services to residents of the Palm Harbor unincorporated community. Amount not to exceed ad valorem revenues collected.	<b>\$792,600</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<i>see note</i>	<i>See below</i>	<i>See below</i>
<b>Recreation Operating</b>	Mandatory	Recreation Services to residents of the Palm Harbor unincorporated community. Amount not to exceed ad valorem revenues collected.		<b>0.0</b>	<i>see note</i>	<i>See below</i>	<i>See below</i>
<b>SUBTOTAL - PROGRAMS:</b>			<b>\$792,600</b>	<b>0.0</b>			
<b>Administrative charges</b>	Library Administrative - Other	Tax Collector and Property Appraiser Commissions, Full Cost Allocation	<b>\$28,950</b>				
<b>Administrative charges</b>	Recreation Administrative - Other	Tax Collector and Property Appraiser Commissions, Full Cost Allocation					
<b>SUBTOTAL - EXPENDITURES:</b>			<b>\$821,550</b>	<b>0.0</b>			
<b>Reserves</b>	Library	Reserves	<b>\$43,230</b>				
<b>Reserves</b>	Recreation	Reserves					
<b>GRAND TOTALS:</b>			<b>\$864,780</b>	<b>0.0</b>			
NOTE: This budget is supported by a separate property tax levy for the Palm Harbor Community Services District.							
<b>Other Funds</b>							
<b>Public Library Cooperative</b>	<b>Essential</b>		<b>\$174,925</b>				
<b>Palm Harbor Friends of the Library</b>			<b>\$29,000</b>				
<b>Overdue Fines</b>			<b>\$35,000</b>				
<b>Facility Rental</b>			<b>\$2,000</b>				
<b>Miscellaneous</b>			<b>\$39,400</b>				
<b>OTHER FUNDS TOTAL:</b>			<b>\$280,325</b>	<b>0.0</b>			
<b>All TOTALS - Less Reserves and Admin Other:</b>			<b>\$1,072,925</b>				

Palm Harbor CSD Program	Performance Measures	FY12 Actual	FY13 Estimate	FY13 Actual	FY14 Target	FY14 Estimate	FY15 Target
<b>Library</b>	Registered Borrowers	34,019	34,000	35,482	34,500	35,757	35,800
	Material Circulation	532,738	530,000	524,420	550,000	494,000	500,000
	Library Visits	159,215	165,000	151,888	170,000	150,000	160,000
	Library Programs Offered	774	825	983	840	950	1,000
	Library Programs Attendance	20,141	20,000	20,712	21,000	20,910	21,000

**Department:** Palm Harbor Community Services District  
**Strategic Focus Area:** Environment, Open Spaces, Recreation & Culture

Program	Classification	Description	FY15 Total Program Allocation (\$)	FTE's *	FY15 Total Program Revenue (\$)	Performance Measures	Estimated FY14
Library Operating	Mandatory	Library Services to residents of the Palm Harbor unincorporated community. Amount not to exceed ad valorem revenues collected.			see note	See below	See below
Recreation Operating	Mandatory	Recreation Services to residents of the Palm Harbor unincorporated community. Amount not to exceed ad valorem revenues collected.	\$792,890	22.0	see note	See below	See below
<b>SUBTOTAL - PROGRAMS:</b>			<b>\$792,890</b>	<b>22.0</b>			
Administrative charges	Library Administrative - Other	Tax Collector and Property Appraiser Commissions, Full Cost Allocation					
Administrative charges	Recreation Administrative - Other	Tax Collector and Property Appraiser Commissions, Full Cost Allocation	\$28,950				
<b>SUBTOTAL - EXPENDITURES:</b>			<b>\$821,840</b>	<b>22.0</b>			
Reserves	Library	Reserves					
Reserves	Recreation	Reserves	\$43,250				
<b>GRAND TOTALS:</b>			<b>\$865,090</b>	<b>22.0</b>			

NOTE: This budget is supported by a separate property tax levy for the Palm Harbor Community Services District.

Other Funds		
Program Fees	\$200,000	
Facility Rentals	\$125,000	
User Group Fees	\$36,000	
Special Events Programs	\$20,000	
Memberships	\$6,500	
Miscellaneous	\$43,514	
<b>OTHER FUNDS TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$431,014</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>All TOTALS - Less Reserves and Admin Other:</b>	<b>\$1,223,904</b>	<b>22.0</b>

Palm Harbor CSD	Performance Measures	FY12 Actual	FY13 Estimate	FY13 Actual	FY14 Target	FY14 Estimate	FY15 Target
Recreation	Camp Revenue		\$105,000	81322.49	98,000	110000	121000
	Rental Revenue		\$80,000	94,770	94,000	91,000	125,000
	Facility Usage (Participants)		615,000	610,000	620,000	615,000	627,000
	Field Usage (Participants)		320,000	310,000	325,000	312,000	320,000

## EAST LAKE LIBRARY SERVICES DISTRICT

The East Lake Library Services District (East Lake Library SD) is a municipal services taxing district within unincorporated Pinellas County. This special taxing district was established by the Board of County Commissioners for the purpose of providing library facilities and services to the residents of the East Lake Fire District. These facilities and services are funded by ad valorem taxes. Property owners within the district are levied a separate millage for this purpose. The maximum millage rate that can be levied is 0.25 mills.

### 1083 EAST LAKE COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT

Department Revenues by Fund / Account		FY14 Revised Budget (a)	FY15 Request	FY15 Request vs. FY14 Bud %	
1083	Ad Valorem Revenues	555,470	576,760	21,290	3.8%
	Excess Fees - Constitutional Officers	-	-	0	****
	Interest Earnings	-	270	270	****
	Subtotal East Lake Library SD Revenue	555,470	577,030	21,560	3.9%
	Beginning Fund Balance	- (b)	38,870	38,870	****
<b>Total Revenues &amp; Fund Balance</b>		<b>555,470</b>	<b>615,900</b>	<b>60,430</b>	<b>10.9%</b>
Millage Rate		0.2500	0.2500	0.0000	0.0%
*FY15 ad valorem revenues reflect a 4.0% increase in East Lake Library Service District taxable values					
Department Expenditures by Program		FTE by Program			
1083	East Lake Library Program	505,400 (c)	557,910	n/a	52,510 10.4%
	Constitutional Officers Transfers	11,470 (d)	27,190	n/a	15,720 137.1%
	Reserves Program	38,600	30,800	n/a	(7,800) -20.2%
<b>Subtotal Expenditures</b>		<b>555,470</b>	<b>615,900</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>60,430 10.9%</b>
	Less Reserves	(38,600)	(30,800)		7,800 -20.2%
<b>Total Expenditures without Reserves</b>		<b>516,870</b>	<b>585,100</b>		<b>68,230 13.2%</b>
Personnel Summary					
Total FTE (Full-time equivalent positions)		0.0	0.0	0	0.0 *****

#### Target Reconciliation

FY15 Budget Request Target Not Applicable  
 FY15 County support of the East Lake Library SD is funded by a separate property tax levy apart from the General Fund.

EAST LAKE LIBRARY TOTAL BUDGET	FY14 Budget	% of Total	FY15 Request	% of Total
County Aid to Govt Agencies (e)	\$505,400	70.10%	\$554,260	75.02%
Library Coop Funding Estimate	\$149,689	20.76%	\$150,555	20.38%
Other Library Funding	\$65,890	9.14%	\$34,000	4.60%
<b>Total Budget</b>	<b>\$720,979</b>	<b>100.00%</b>	<b>\$738,815</b>	<b>100.00%</b>



- (a) FY14 Revised Budget as of January 26, 2014  
 (b) FY13 is General Fund MSTU Support; FY14 No Beginning Fund Balance  
 (c) FY14 No Cost Allocation Expenses are Included  
 (d) FY14 Constitutional Officers Transfers only included the Tax Collector  
 (e) Excludes Cost Allocation Expenses'

Department: **East Lake Library Community Services District**  
Strategic Focus Area: **Environment, Open Spaces, Recreation & Culture**

Program	Classification	Description	FY15 Total Program Allocation (\$)	FTE's *	FY15 Total Program Revenue (\$)	Performance Measures	Estimated FY15
Library Operating	Mandatory	Library Services to residents of the East Lake unincorporated community. Amount not to exceed ad valorem revenues collected.	\$554,260	0.0		See below	See below
<b>SUBTOTAL - PROGRAMS:</b>				<b>0.0</b>			
Administrative charges	Library Administrative - Other	Tax Collector and Property Appraiser Commissions, Full Cost Allocation	\$30,840				
<b>SUBTOTAL - EXPENDITURES:</b>				<b>0.0</b>			
Reserves	Library	Reserves	\$30,800				
<b>GRAND TOTALS:</b>			<b>\$615,900</b>	<b>0.0</b>			

NOTE: This budget is supported by a separate property tax levy for the East Lake Library Community Services District.

**Other Funds**

Public Library Cooperative	Essential		\$149,638				
Palm Harbor Friends of the Library			\$10,000				
Overdue Fines			\$15,000				
Facility Rental			\$1,000				
Miscellaneous			\$8,000				
<b>OTHER FUNDS TOTAL:</b>			<b>\$183,638</b>	<b>0.0</b>			
<b>All TOTALS - Less Reserves and Admin Other:</b>			<b>\$737,898</b>				

<u>East Lake Library CSD</u>	<u>Performance Measures</u>	<u>FY13 Actual</u>	<u>FY14 Estimate</u>	<u>FY15 Target</u>
	Registered Borrowers	13,919	14,200	14,500
	Material Circulation	157,027	175,000+	175,000+
	Library Visits	89,613	100,000	100,000
	Library Programs Offered	576	500+	600+
	Library Programs Attendance	10,796	7,000	10,000
	Percentage of ELCL budget reliant upon general revenue	n/a	40%	75%
	Budget amount per resident	n/a	\$11.04	\$23.24