



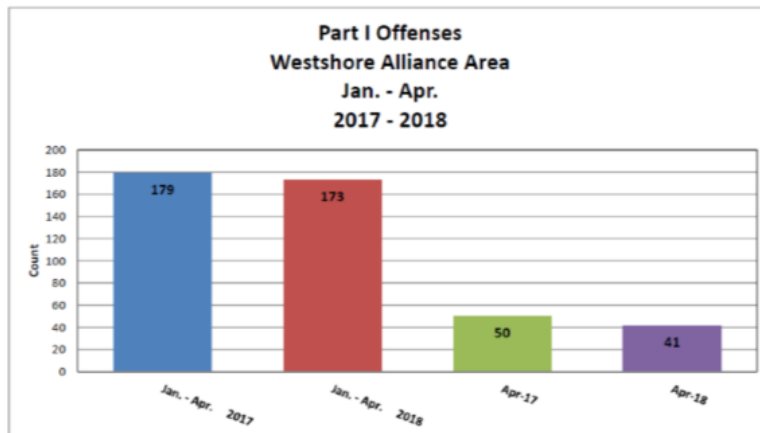
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## CRIME STATISTICS, PREVENTION TIPS & PROGRAMS

### Crime Statistics

Crime is down in Westshore. According to the Tampa Police Department, there was an 18% decrease in reported Part I Crimes in April and a 3.4% decrease January through April 2018 as compared to 2017.



Part I Offenses for Westshore Alliance grids only. Grids: 67, 68, 76, 77, 89, 117, 118, 119, 120, 149, 150, and 151.

*\*Part I Crimes are based on FBI crime reporting data and include criminal homicide, forcible rape, robbery, aggravated assault, burglary (breaking and entering), larceny-theft (except motor vehicle theft), motor vehicle theft, and arson.*

### Crime Reports

The Alliance reviews the latest crime statistics and crime trend reports published by the Tampa Police Department. Reports are emailed weekly to those individuals requesting them. [Click here](#) for more information.

Please Help Us Prevent Vehicle Burglaries



Your vehicle has been inspected for visible items

- Congratulations – No valuables were observed in your vehicle.
- If we were thieves, you would have lost the following items:

Tampa Police Department – District One Crime Prevention  
Questions – (813) 354-6692



### Operation Tag-It Program

To help prevent auto burglary, invite the Tampa Police Department (TPD) to conduct "Tag-It" at your business location. During Tag-It, officers assess your property to identify potential crime opportunities and alert motorists via a tag on their windshield of UNLOCKED vehicles and VISIBLE valuables that could entice a thief. Please note, TPD will NOT open doors or enter vehicles. Tags are also placed on vehicles with no visible valuables so that criminals are not alerted to which vehicles have valuables in them. Contact TPD's

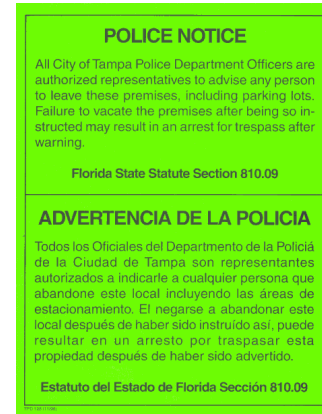
If you see suspicious activity report it to local law enforcement at (813) 231-6130. Click [here](#) for auto burglary prevention tips to reduce your risk of becoming a victim.

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### Trespass Affidavit Program

The Tampa Police Department implemented the Trespass Affidavit Program to help business and/or property owners control access to their property during non-business hours.

When an owner has identified a recurring trespassing problem at his or her business or property, the owner or legal representative may request this service. The Trespass Affidavit gives any Tampa Police officer the right to act as the owner's representative in warning anyone found in violation of the affidavit to leave, and to arrest violators if they refuse. [Click here](#) for more information and to register today.



### Project REC - Register Every Camera

Did you know that your video surveillance system could potentially help solve a crime? Tampa Police Department's (TPD) Camera Registration Program is designed to deter crime and promote public safety through a collaboration between TPD and the residents and businesses of the City of Tampa. [Click here](#) for more information and to register your system today.

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### Bright Lights, Safe Nights

Approximately 90% of all street lights in the City of Tampa are maintained by Tampa Electric Company (TECO) and



the remaining street lights are maintained by the City of Tampa's Transportation and Stormwater Services Department. To learn how to identify who maintains a street light, report an outage, or request a new light be added to your property [click here](#).

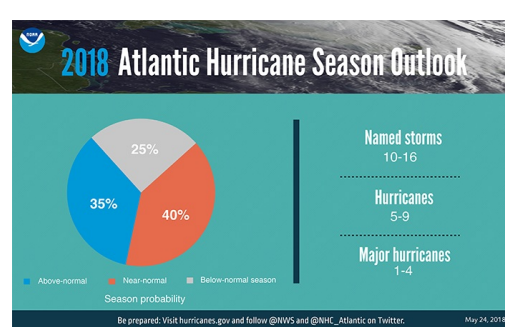
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## HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS



## Forecasters predict a near- or above-normal 2018 Atlantic hurricane season.

NOAA's Climate Prediction Center is forecasting a 75-percent chance that the 2018 Atlantic hurricane season will be near- or above-normal. Forecasters predict a 35 percent chance of an above-normal season, a 40 percent chance of a near-normal season, and a 25 percent chance of a below-normal season for the upcoming hurricane season.



[READ MORE](#)

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## Hurricane Preparedness & Emergency Resources

- **Know Your Zone: Did you know flood zones and evacuation zones are different?** Use the [Hurricane Evacuation Assessment Tool \(HEAT\)](#) for more information and to determine your zones today.
- [Alert Tampa](#)
- [City of Tampa Office of Emergency Management](#)
- [FEMA Business Protection Toolkit](#)
- [Florida Division of Emergency Management](#)
- [Get a Business Emergency Plan](#)
- [Hillsborough County Disaster Planning Guide](#)
- [Hillsborough County Office of Emergency Management](#)
- [National Hurricane Center \(NOAA\)](#)
- [Ready Business](#)
- [SBDC Business Continuity and Disaster Preparedness](#)
- [State Assistance Information Line\\* \(SAIL\) 1-800-342-3557](#)

\*The SAIL hotline is only operational during an emergency event; at all other times, a recorded message with general information about the hotline is available.

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## Westshore Emergency Access Card Program

In partnership with the Tampa Police Department, Westshore Alliance manages the Emergency Access Card Program, which is designed to assist emergency and rescue crews identify individuals authorized to enter the Westshore Business District following a disaster or emergency. Property owners can register up to three authorized personnel to receive reentry passes that allow them access to their building **for the limited purpose of evaluating the safety and security of property before allowing tenants, other occupants, or the general public to return.**

We encourage property owners to register if they haven't already done so. To request passes, please complete an [Emergency Access Card Request Form](#) and return it to Shawn Fogarty at [fogarty@westshorealliance.org](mailto:fogarty@westshorealliance.org). Please note; passes do not expire but are non-transferable. If you have a change in personnel, please contact [Shawn Fogarty](#) to request a new pass.

[MORE INFORMATION](#)

COMMUNITY EVENTS



**THIS QUARTER'S COMMUNITY SAFETY SOCIAL WILL FEATURE**

***RUN. HIDE. FIGHT. - A SEMINAR ON ACTIVE THREAT SAFETY***

*Learn strategies, tips, and a suggested plan for surviving an active shooter event*

**June 12, 2018**

**6:30pm to 8:00pm**

**Hillsborough Community College  
Dale Mabry Campus**

Student Services Building Auditorium - Room 111  
4001 West Tampa Bay Boulevard  
Tampa, FL 33614

**REGISTER TODAY!**

*Registration is necessary  
due to limited seating.*

**REGISTER ONLINE:**

**tampagov.net/TPD-Safety-Social**

**REGISTER BY PHONE:**

**(813) 354-6692**

**NOTE: THIS IS NOT A FIREARMS TRAINING. WEAPONS ARE NOT PERMITTED.**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD AFFAIRS LIAISON AT  
[MARYANNE.HUNSBERGER@TAMPAGOV.NET](mailto:MARYANNE.HUNSBERGER@TAMPAGOV.NET)**



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**tampagov.net/Police**



June 1-7: [2018 Disaster Preparedness Sales Tax Holiday](#)

June 8: [SBDC Cybersecurity Basics for Small Business](#)

June 14: [Hillsborough County Tax Collectors Safety Awareness](#)



## Westshore Business Watch Re-Launch

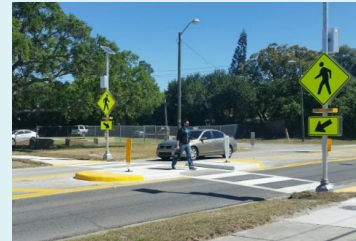
The Westshore Business Watch now employs a multi-platform communications network with law enforcement. This FREE program is designed to create a direct line of communication between businesses and the Tampa Police Department to help ensure employees, residents and visitors are well-informed about crime and traffic-related issues in the area. It aims to reduce and prevent crime through enhanced communication and awareness.

Get alerted by [signing up today](#). You will receive time-sensitive information wherever you specify, such as your home, mobile or business phones, email address, text messages and more.

[LEARN MORE](#)

### New Crosswalk & Sidewalks in Westshore

Pedestrians have a new crosswalk on Spruce Street near Cigar City Brewing, which connects to the brewery's remote parking area.



Pedestrians can also enjoy new sidewalks recently installed on the north side of Laurel St. from Frontage Road to O'Brien St. and on the north side of Columbus Dr. from Himes Ave. to Dale Mabry Hwy.

### The Himes Avenue Safety Improvement Project

a federally funded pedestrian and vehicle safety project on Himes Ave. from Kennedy Boulevard to Columbus Drive, has begun. The project includes adding dedicated bike lanes throughout the corridor, enhanced crosswalks, decreasing the speed limit from 40 to 35 mph, and replacing two-way left turn lanes with raised separator islands.



[MORE INFORMATION](#)

***Want to stay up-to-date on the latest transportation and pedestrian improvements happening in Westshore? View our interactive map [here](#) and subscribe to the Alliance's Traffic News [here](#).***

### FREQUENTLY CALLED NUMBERS

Emergency	9-1-1
Police Non-Emergency	(813) 231-6130
Code Enforcement	(813) 274-5545
Animal Control	(813) 744-5660
Solid Waste	(813) 348-1112
Crime Stoppers of Tampa Bay	(800) 873-TIPS
Crisis Center	2-1-1



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