

July 2019

Newsletter for the Office of Administrative Services

## USGBC President Visits USF

The US Green Building Council (USGBC) aims to create a sustainable future through the Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) program, the leading program for green buildings and communities worldwide. The LEED program was recently updated and

is now the "most inclusive and transparent platform" that USBGC has used.

This month, the President and CEO of the USGBC came to the Tampa Bay area and visited the USF campus. Part of the visit was in regards to implementing the newest version of LEED. He also presented a LEED Silver plaque for the 5th Floor Library Renovation project. LEED Silver is a higher ranking than the normal LEED certification. A project's ranking is determined by various sustainability factors, such as water efficiency, energy, and materials/resources, that can earn a project building points.



President and CEO of the USGBC presenting the LEED Silver plaque to the Dean of USF Libraries and the Design and Construction team from Facilities Management.



On the Job: **Rosey Reid** sorts through incoming mail at the USF Post Office.

#### Reminders



2nd Quarter Town Hall is **Tuesday, August 6**<sup>th</sup>



Contact the Communication Pillar at **OASCommPillar@usf.edu** with ideas or suggestions!



moments."

### **Groundskeepers Recognized for Excellent Work**

USF Groundskeepers are always working hard to guarantee the campus is looking its best. This month, the USF Grounds Unit has been recognized on multiple occasions for providing outstanding work.

The first recognition came from the Dean's office for the Muma College of Business. They said the grounds surronding the business building had never looked better! To show their appreciation for the excellent work done, the Dean's office recognized the Grounds detail crew with Muma hats and t-shirts.

Later in July, the Grounds Unit was recognized by Dr. Puglisi, Director of the Stavros Center, for the excellent work they do in maintaining the Stavros Center. The crew that maintains this area was recognized with a luncheon and certificates of appreciation. Keep up the good work, Groundskeepers!





Cali Dejesus, Jazmine Torrez, Robert Guia, Jorge Fernandez, Jerry Fernandez, Eya Hernandez and Roy Banks (not pictured) attended the luncheon.



Eya Hernandez, Senior Groundskeeper, pictured with the Muma College of Business hat and t-shirt.





## PATS Completes Renovations

The Parking and Transportation Services buildings are open again and better than ever. The recent renovations included a new air conditiong system and with the summer heat, this is a welcome upgrade. Check out the before and after photos of the front office below!





## **USF Takes Steps Towards a More Sustainable Campus**

The USF Student Green Energy Fund (SGEF) is a program designed to transform the Tampa campus through student, faculty, and staff led sustainability projects. These projects help conserve energy, reduce energy costs, lower greenhouse gas emissions, and/or promote renewable energy technologies throughout campus.

The USF Campus Food Waste Recovery project was approved for SGEF funding in October of 2018. The project's purpose is

to pilot test a program that will provide the USF community with a place to support food recovery and zero-waste initiatives through the use of anaerobic biodigesters. The project also explores the potential savings that may come from recovering on-campus food waste internally.

A team from Facilities Management (consisting of Suchi Daniels, Nainan Desai(retired), Chris Martin, Ray Miller, Ray Curbelo, Kim Tomkinson, Tom Schlick, and the FM purchasing team) has offered continuous time, support and guidance to the project team, as well as donating various materials and providing a space for the biodigesters to be built. Once the biodigestigesters are fully functional, the methane gas produced from breaking down food waste can be used to fuel golf carts and other machinery on campus.



Whitney Fung, the principal investigator of the project, says the project vision is "to see zero waste produced and more food diverted from landfills on a larger scale". The project also includes a social marketing campaign (one ad is pictured above) to promote behavior changes that will reduce food waste among students across campus.

#### Retirements

**Douglas Williams (18 years)**Maintenance Technician *Key Shop* 

Lori Anderson (14 years)

Administrative Specialist *Business Center* 

#### **Welcoming New Additions**

**Timothy Seidel,** Transit Bus Driver *Parking & Transportation Services* 

# **Anniversaries**July 2019

Facilities Management	
Sonia Jackson	29
Neftali Espana	29
Barbara Donerly	27
Robert Gonzalez	24
Gregory Lewis	21
Gerardo Fernandez	21
James Gillilan	21
John Courtney	14
Julia Cummings	14
Charles Hamilton	11
Danielle Hill	10
Falicia Royal	10
Erickson Amida	9
Priscilla Stevens	7
Britney McClendon	7
Jeremy Ocasio	7
Danny Stearns	7
Lindsey Hanson	4
Scott Alvarez	3
Eustace Joseph	3
Roosevelt Reid	2
Christopher Martin	2
Lance Rocks	2
Lon Crawford	1
Matthew Howell	1
Ashley James	1
Pamela Edwards	1

#### Parking & Transportation Services

Ivette Torres	21
Tracy DeCrescenzo	4
Vincent Carlo	3
Mikael Stead	3
Dorotea Cruz	1
Winston Francis	1
Business Center	

Gregory Williams

