

from the desk of...



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County Cooperation

working together makes a difference



I never lose sight of the fact that we are working for tax-paying citizens, and need to be the best possible stewards of your dollars and your trust. We are always looking at what we can do to work smarter, and one way to do that is through partnerships.

If you were to look inside the pink windows at County Center, you'd see that we've reached a new level of cooperation among our Constitutional offices.

These infrastructure improvements are part of a long history of cooperation within Hillsborough County that includes using libraries for Early Voting, registering to vote when you get your driver license, and twice-a-year outreach in our local public high schools.

And that's the way it should be. These partnerships are critical, because when you think about it, elections aren't just a service provided by your Supervisor of Elections. Elections are a community-wide project that we all, as members of a democracy, depend on.

I am incredibly proud to be part of a county that works at such a high level of professionalism, and truly appreciate this unprecedented partnership. Together, we are going to make Hillsborough County the best place in America to vote.

Some examples:

- The Sheriff's Office has given us access to their fiber optics, so that we can have a network connection between our main offices at no additional cost.
- The Tax Collector is sharing their phone system with us, increasing our capacity for receiving and making calls, and reducing our expenses.

the flip side



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Join us: ADOPT A PRECINCT

definition: [adopt a precinct]

nonprofits recruit volunteers to be poll workers, who donate their Election Day earnings to the nonprofit; a partnership of, by and for our community; win-win-win



Nonprofits raise \$\$\$

We get great poll workers

Community benefits from nonprofit

"Our volunteers thoroughly enjoyed working and learning about the behind-the-scenes activities that support an election."

-Strawberry Crest High School IB Partnership



GREAT PRACTICES SHOWCASE



As the first elections office to earn the Governor's Sterling Award, we have been asked to host a Great Practices Showcase.

We've learned from experience and proven business models how to improve our efficiency and reliability. Now we're giving businesses, elections offices and other government offices an opportunity to learn from us.

We're holding our one-day workshop on Tuesday, November 3rd—a significant day because it's one year from the 2016 Presidential Election. What better time to look at what we've done and what we need to do to ensure a successful Election Day in Hillsborough County?

It's going to be a great day that includes keynotes from USF's Dr. Susan MacManus and Secretary Mike Carroll of Florida Department of Children and Families.

Register or get more information at <https://HillsboroughSOEshowcase.eventbrite.com>.

the last word

If your nonprofit is interested in Adopt A Precinct, contact Jeff (jziegler@hcsoc.org or 574-1286). We have three countywide elections in 2016.

