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Student Survival Guide

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CLEARWATER RESOURCES

Disclaimer: The material contained in the *TBLS Student Survival Guide* has been prepared for convenience of reference only. We will make every effort possible to keep this information accurate and up-to-date. This guide is also not intended to give professional or any other kind of advice.

Tampa Practical Resources

TRANSPORTATION

Pinellas Suncoast Transit Authority Bus Services
Information Line: (727) 540-1900
TDD Information Line: (727) 540-0603
Pinellas Suncoast Transit Authority (PSTA) is the public transit provider in Pinellas County, Florida, operating 205 buses and trolleys that serve 56 routes.

Bay Area Commuter Services
Phone: (800) 998-RIDE
Bay Area Commuters provides carpooling services, van-pooling services and the Emergency Ride Home (ERH) program. They also arrange for a free taxi ride home to registered participants who use a commute option other than driving alone at least two days per week.

Community Transportation Services
Phone: (727) 545-2100
Community Transportation provides assistance through the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO). Eligible individuals can receive a 31-day unlimited bus pass (GO CARD).

ADULT EDUCATION

Clearwater Adult Education Center
540 S. Hercules Ave.
Clearwater, FL 33764
Phone: (727) 469-4190
Clearwater Adult Education provides career counseling, continuing adult education, GED and ESL classes. They are open Mon-Thurs, 3-8:30pm and Fri, 8am-3pm.

COMPUTER TRAINING CLASSES

Largo Community Center
Recreation Program Supervisor
Craig Dolan
65 4th St. N.W.
Largo FL 33770
Phone: (727) 518-3146
cdolan@largo.com

Biztech Learning Centers
Phone 800-772-7292, (727) 443-4700
www.biztech.us
1051 Cephas Drive Clearwater, FL 33765

English as a Second Language (ESL)
Florida English Language Institute
(727) 330-7884
201 Douglas Ave.
Dunedin, FL 34698

CHILD CARE & YOUTH SERVICES

YMCA Suncoast Pinellas County School Age Programs
2469 Enterprise Rd
Clearwater, FL 33763
Phone: (727) 467-9622
www.suncoastymca.org/highpoint
YMCA Suncoast Pinellas County provides before and after work care sites. There is school age programming open to all, with financial aid available.

My Little Angels Daycare
Mary Ann Rojas
1734 Kings Hwy
Clearwater, FL 33755
Phone: (727) 442-3734
Phone: (727) 485-3274

See Us Grow Day Care Center
2405 Drew St.
Clearwater, FL 33765
Phone: (727) 485-3274

Coordinated Child Care of Pinellas, Inc.
10601 Belcher Road South
Largo, FL 33777
Phone: 727-547-5700
Email: info@childcarepinellas.org
Hours of operation: 8AM-5PM
Coordinated Child Care of Pinellas is a private, not-for-profit corporation that assists Pinellas County families with finding child care, helps low/middle income families pay for child care, provides improvement resources for child care providers and provides other family support and education services

Child Care Resource & Referral of Pinellas
Phone: (727) 547-5750
Phone: Toll Free at (866) 764-0436
Email: rr@childcarepinellas.org

Juvenile Welfare Board
Children's Services Council of Pinellas County
14155 58th Street North
Clearwater, FL 33760
Phone: (727) 547-5600
Fax: (727) 530-7416
JWB is not a direct service provider, but contracts with agencies to deliver services necessary to improve the lives of Pinellas County's children. Funded services, or programs, are designed to address three priority areas of need: child maltreatment, children not ready to start school, and children not succeeding in school.

Oaktree Pre-School
Before 8:30am and After 4:30pm (7am – 5:30pm)
1625 North Belcher Rd.
Clearwater, FL 33755
www.salvationarmyclearwater.com/OakTree.htm

Community Pride Child Care
1235 Holt Ave., Clearwater, FL 33755
Phone: (727) 443-2218
Fax: (727) 461-7005
www.cpchildcare.org
Services: year round program; sliding fee scale; infants, toddlers and pre-schoolers; trained staff; breakfast, lunch & snack; only program in Pinellas for homeless children

EMPLOYMENT

WorkNet Pinellas One-Stop Centers
2312 Gulf-to-Bay Blvd.
Clearwater, FL 33765
Phone: (727) 524-4344
www.worknetpinellas.org

1510 Barry St.
Clearwater, FL 33756
Phone: (727) 324-2520
Fax: (727) 324-2526
Hours: Monday – Friday 8am – 5pm

Other locations:
3420 8th Ave S., St. Petersburg, FL 33711
Tel: (727) 524-4344
Fax: (727) 328-3394
Hours: Monday – Friday 8am – 7pm

624 1st Ave. S. St. Petersburg, FL 33701
Tel: (727) 524-4344
Fax: (727)-329-1497
Hours: Monday – Friday 8am – 5pm

St. Petersburg College Campus - Olympia Building
38500 U.S. Hwy 19 North
Tarpon Springs, Florida 34684
Tel: (727) 524-4344
Fax: (727) 324-2855
Hours: Monday – Friday 8am – 5pm

WorkNet provides assessments and training, drug screening, national and local recruiting, training grants, veterans services, education and training programs, scholarships and financial aid, resume preparation, computer, fax, telephone and copy service, job testing and referrals. Their support services also include childcare/transportation, unemployment insurance program, food stamps, employment/training and a disability specialist is also available.

Career One Stop Centers
Phone: (877) 348-0502
TTY Line: (877) 348-0501
Outreach provides an orientation to the One-Stop-Career Center, including an initial assessment, job search and placement assistance, career counseling, provision of labor market information, assistance in establishing eligibility for welfare-to-work and financial aid assistance, follow-up-services, prevocational and vocational training services (assessments tests provided).

MEDICAL & DENTAL SERVICES

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Clearwater Free Clinic
707 N. Fort Harrison Ave.
Clearwater, FL 33755
Phone: (727) 447-3041
www.clearwaterfreeclinic.org
The Clearwater Free Clinic is a volunteer driven non-profit, non-government medical facility that provides problem-oriented, primary health care to the low-income uninsured populations living in Clearwater and surrounding communities.

Dental Health Clinic
310 N. Myrtle Ave.
Clearwater, FL 33755
Phone: (727) 469-5800 Ext. 121
Dental Health provides full services for children up to 18 without Medicaid. Pregnant women and children under the age of 21 receive full services.

St. Petersburg Free Clinic
863 3rd Ave N.
St. Petersburg, FL 33701
Phone: (727) 821-1200
St. Petersburg provides emergency food from the on-site food pantry, personal hygiene items, limited financial assistance with water bills, community referral guidance and direction. Individuals meet with a staff member or volunteer interviewer to discuss appropriate solutions. St. Petersburg assesses and reviews each case on an individual basis.

Family Health Line
Phone: (800) 451-2229
www.211bigbend.org/hotlines/familyhealth
The Family Health Line is a statewide toll-free hotline funded by the Florida Department of Health. They assist pregnant women with accession prenatal care, finding substance abuse treatment during pregnancy, helpful community resources basic information on infant and toddler health, as well as a variety of parenting concerns. They also provide referrals for private, public and voluntary health promotion groups, family planning (birth Control) and counseling. Bilingual counselors or translator services are available.

Florida Kidcare
Information Line: (888) 540-KIDS
Florida Kidcare offers services for minors of citizens and qualifying non-citizens. Children are eligible for Medicare, MediKid, Healthy Kid or full paid premium programs, which provide doctor visits, hospital care, prescribed drugs, lab tests, behavioral and mental health services.

COMMUNITY HEALTH CARE CENTERS

Community Health Care Centers provide family practice, pediatrics, obstetrics and gynecology and dental care. They also offer routine check-ups, immunization, prenatal and postpartum care, dental and X-ray services, patient education, pharmacy services and sports medicine.

Clearwater
1020 Lakeview Rd.
Clearwater, FL 33756
Phone: (727) 461-1439
www.chcpinellas.org

Largo
12420 130th Ave N.
Largo, FL 33774
Phone: (727)-587-7729
www.chcpinellas.org

Pinellas Park
6237 66th St.
Pinellas Park, FL 33781
Phone: (727) 824-8104
www.chcpinellas.org

St. Petersburg
1344 22nd St. S.
St. Petersburg, FL 33712
Phone: (727) 944-3828
www.chcpinellas.org

Mid-Pinellas
1531 S. Missouri Ave.
Clearwater, FL 33756
Phone: (727) 442-6200

Willa Carson Health Resource Center
1108 N Martin L King Jr. Ave.
Clearwater, FL 33755
Phone: (727) 467-9411
www.carsonhrc.org
Willa Carson Health Resource Center provides free health care to children and families.

Pinellas County Health Department
310 N. Myrtle Ave.
Clearwater, FL 33755
Phone: (727) 469-5800
www.pinellashealth.com

Immunization Outreach Program
205 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. St. S.
St. Petersburg, FL 33701
Phone: (727) 824-6900
www.pinellashealth.com
Immunization Outreach offers free childhood immunizations, as well as adult and foreign travel immunizations (available for a fee). Childhood and adult immunizations are available at all five centers, Monday through Friday from 8am to 5pm. All immunization services are provided on a walk-in basis, no appointment required.

Family Health Line
Phone: (800) 451-2229
www.211bigbend.org/hotlines/familyhealth
The Family Health Line is a statewide toll-free hotline funded by the Florida Department of Health. They assist pregnant women with accessing prenatal care, finding substance abuse treatment during pregnancy, helpful community resources basic information on infant and toddler health, as well as a variety of parenting concerns. They also provide referrals for private, public, and voluntary health promotion groups, family planning (birth control) and counseling. Bilingual counselors or translator services are available to callers speaking languages other than English.

Consult-A-Nurse Largo Medical Center
201 14th St. SW.
Largo, FL 33770
Phone: (727) 588-5702
www.largomedical.com
Consult-A-Nurse offers general health information and referrals to physicians affiliated with the hospital.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

2-1- 1 Tampa Bay Cares, Inc.
HR Department
Phone: (727) 210-4233 Ext. 423
www.211tampabay.org

FOOD

Angel Food Ministries
Calvary Chapel/Angel Food
8900 U.S. 19 N.
Pinellas Park, FL 33772
Phone: (727) 527-9563
Phone: (727) 393-0308
www.angelfood.ccstpete.com

HOMELESS / TRANSITIONAL SERVICES

CLW Homeless Intervention Place (C.H.I.P.)
1339 Park St.
Clearwater, FL 33756
Phone (727) 466-6612
www.clearwaterpolice.org/chip/index.htm
CLW's Day Center provides showers, telephone, mail service and laundry services. Shelter begins intake in the afternoon. There are open-style dorm beds, separate for males and females. Boarders must have a full-time job, valid State ID, a social security card and cannot be receiving social security or disability. If you do not have a job at time ofin-take, CLW allows you up to seven days to find one.l

CASA
24 Hour Help Line: (727) 895-4912
www.casa-stpete.org
CASA offers shelter, gateway transitional housing, group and individual support, children's programs, cell phone program and an emergency response team. They work with incarcerated women, provide legal advocacy, outreach to special communities, CASA Colection Thrift Store and visitation centers.

HOMELESS / TRANSISTIONAL SERVICES FOR PREGNANT WOMEN

Kimberly Home, Inc.
Pregnancy Resource Center
1189 N.E. Cleveland St.
Clearwater, FL 33755
Phone: (727) 443-0471
www.kimberlyhome.org
Kimberly Home provides a 24-hour crisis hotline available by phone, email or Instant Messenger, 24 Hour Hot Line: 800 395 HELP free pregnancy testing, family planning services, referrals for pre-natal medical care, educational classes (courses on parenting, baby care, nutrition, money management, etc.), material assistance includ ing maternity clothing, baby items, diapers, infant clothing, infant food/formula and infant furniture. They also provide housing, employment, rent assistance, utility assistance and food.

Alpha: A Beginning, Inc.
701 5th Ave. N.
St. Petersburg, FL 33701
Phone: (727) 822-8190
www.alphabeginning.org
Alpha provides housing and supportive services to homeless pregnant women and teens, new mothers and their infants, and families experiencing crisis pregnancies. All services, including theresidential program, the community service program, and the administrative operations are located at one site. Alpha is licensed by the Department of Children and Families, and contracts with Foster Care to provide specialized placement services.

FAMILY PLANNING

Consult-A-Nurse Largo Medical Center
201 14th St. S.W.
Largo, FL 33770
Phone: (727) 588-5702
www.largomedical.com
Consult-A-Nurse provides general health information and referrals to physicians affiliated with the hospital.

Comprehensive Information and Referral Services

Information Hotline: 211
Phone: (727) 210-4233
2-1-1 Pinellas is the helpline for human service information and referral and crisis intervention assistance in Pinellas County.

CVM-Pinellas Community Voice Mail
(Offered through Tampa Bay Cares, Inc.)
50 S. Belcher Rd., Ste. 116
Clearwater, FL 33765
Phone: (727) 210-4233
www.cvm.org
The Pinellas Community Voice Mail program is part of the national network of CVM sites distributing free 24-hour voice mail nationwide, directly linking individuals to jobs, housing, safety and stability.

2-1-1 HELPLINES

Lifeline
Phone: (800) SUICIDE
Phone: (800) 273-TALK
Lifeline is a member of the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline. Crisis and counseling calls are answered by 2-1-1 Tampa Bay cares from local callers.

Cold Night Shelter Hotline
Phone: 2-1-1
In partnership with the Pinellas County Coalition for the Homeless, is responsible for calling local agencies on nights when the outside temperature drops below 40ºF to alert them that their shelters will open for homeless individuals needing to sleep in a warm location for the evening.

Prosperity Campaign
Phone: 2-1-1
Prosperity Campaign provides information to local 2-1-1 callers in need of free income tax preparation assistance and earned income and child tax credit information (EITC).

Give Kids A Smile
Phone: 2-1-1
In partnership with the Pinellas County Dental Association, from late December through mid February of each year, callers receive information on where children are able to register for free dental work during the month of February.

Safe Start Partnership Hotline
Phone: 2-1-1
Safe Start sends informational Safe Start Partnership materials through the mail to local families concerning the effects of children exposed to violence.

After Hour Services
Phone: 2-1-1
Provides after-hours services for local hotlines, agencies and programs. If you are interested in 2-1-1 TBC providing after-hours for your business, please call 727-210-4240. Currently 2-1-1 TBC provides after-hours for the following businesses: 2-1-1 Pasco, 2-1-1 Manasota, CASA and Senior Helpline.

Volunteer Opportunities

StandUp for Kids
Phone: (800) 365-4KID
www.standupforkids.org
Through StandUp for Kids, volunteers can serve homeless youth by working with the Outreach Center, the Don't Run Away Program, the Street Outreach Program or the Transitional Living Program.

SHARE Florida Food Network
1405 E. 2nd Ave.
Tampa, FL 33605
Phone: (800) 536-3379
Phone: (813) 248-3379
www.shareflorida.org
SHARE works to build and strengthen communities through volunteer service, while offering savings on high-quality food.

LifePath Hospice & Palliative Care, Inc.
South Tampa Community Resource Center
3010 W. Azeele St.
Tampa, FL 33609
Phone: (813) 877-2200
Toll-free: (800) 209-2200
www.lifepath-hospice.org
LifePath provides care and relief to those suffering from life-limiting illnesses and end-of-life issues.

SERVE Volunteers in Education
3111 W. Tampa Bay Blvd.
Tampa, FL 33607
Phone: (813) 872 5254
www.servevolunteers.org
SERVE is the official volunteer arm of the School District of Hillsborough County. They seek to increase student achievement and enhance the educational experience by providing community volunteers to support Hillsborough County educators.

Smoking Cessation

The Moffitt Cancer Center University of South Florida
12902 Magnolia Dr.
Tampa, FL 33612
Phone: (888) 860-2778
Phone: (813) 745-1751
www.moffitt.org
Free or low cost ($5-$25) smoking cessation programs to develop and test new and improved methods to quit smoking. Programs vary depending on the particular research study and with respect to the qualifications of the smoker. Call to schedule a free, no-obligation informational meeting to find out who qualifies for current programs.

Freedom from Smoking: An American Lung Association Program
Phone: (800) LUNG-USA
TTY Line: (800) 501-1068
www.lungusa.org
The American Lung Association has developed an eight-session group program offering information and support to quit smoking. Contact your local hospital to learn about locations and schedules. Program fee varies. They also provide a free online cessation smoking program, Freedom from Smoking Online.

St. Joseph's Hospital
ALA Freedom from Smoking Program
3001 W. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.
Tampa, FL 33607
Phone: (813) 870-4808
www.sjbhealth.org
St. Joseph's Hospital also offers free one-hour smoking cessation presentations every month.

University Community Hospital
ALA Freedom from Smoking Program
3100 E Fletcher Ave.
Tampa, FL 33613
Phone: (813) 615-7377
www.uch.org

Hillsborough County Health Department
Phone: (813) 307-8015 Ext. 6602
www.hillscountyhealth.org
The Department offers a free, four week, one day per week Smoking Cessation Course. It was designed by the American Cancer Society and is sponsored through STEPS for a Healthier Hillsborough University of South Florida, USF Health. Call for your local center.

Hillsborough County Anti-Drug Alliance
Phone: (813) 974-5377
Phone: (813) 350-7918
www.hcada.com/tampatac
Hillsborough offers a Youth Tobacco Awareness Program, a Students Working Against Tobacco Program and a Youth Tobacco Offender Class.

AHEC Area Health Education
Phone: (813) 929-1000
www.flahec.org
www.health.usf.edu/ahec
AHEC offers free Tobacco Cession counseling at Community Health Centers.

ONLINE RESOURCES FOR SMOKING CESSATION

American Cancer Society
www.cancer.org

American Legacy Foundation
www.americanlegacy.org

American Lung Association
www.lungusa.org

Center for Disease Control
www.cdc.gov

Florida Department of Health
www.doh.state.fl.us

Florida Tobacco Control Clearinghouse
www.ftcc.fsu.edu

Quitline Resource
www.flquitline.com

Qwitter
www.qwitter.tobaccofreeflorida.com

Tobacco Free Florida
www.tobaccofreeflorida.com

RECREATIONAL RESOURCES

Recreational Resources

Sunshine Dragstrip
4500 Ulmerton Rd.
Clearwater, FL 33762
Phone: (727) 573-4598
www.sunshinedragstrip.com
Sunshine Dragstrip features auto racing and driving by various professionals, super professionals, street drivers and motorcycle divisions.

Canoe Escape
9335 E Fowler Ave.
Thonotosassa, FL 33592
Phone: (813) 986-2067
www.canoeescape.com
Canoe Escapes offers canoe and kayak trips along the nature preserve, downstream on the Hillsborough River. Two adults and two children can be accommodated in each canoe or kayak. Prices include life gear, paddles, transportation to and from the park and introductory instructions. Reservations are encouraged.

Grand Prix Tampa
14320 N. Nebraska Ave.
Tampa, FL 33613
Phone: (813) 977-6272
www.grandprixtampa.com
Grand Prix Tampa features The Big Track, one of the largest go-kart tracks in the country, and The Family Track, suited for the younger racer. They have 9 batting cages, ping-pong, a turbo bungee, 2 state-of-the-art arcades and the Pit Stop Café & Pub.

Ice Sports Forum
10222 Elizabeth Place
Tampa, FL 33619
Phone: (813) 684-7825
www.theicesportsforum.com
Ice Sports Forum offers public skating, skate and hockey lessons and leagues for adults and youths. The 85,000 square- foot facility includes 2 NHL regulation ice rinks and a state-of-the-art laser tag arena, capable of hosting up to 24 players as part of party packages, team building exercises and walk-ups. It features Centerline Café, Power Play Grill & Pub, a game room, a full line pro shop, a mezzanine and a conference room. Ice Sports is available for private functions including group, corporate and birthday events.

Buccaneer Bay
US-19
Brooksville, FL 34613
Phone: (352) 596-2393
www.weekiwachee.com
Buccaneer Bay is a theme park featuring pools and water rides and slides. Opening dates and times are subject to change, call for details.

Busch Gardens
3000 E. Busch Blvd.
Tampa, FL 33612
Phone: (813) 987-5082
www.4adventure.com
www.buschgardens.com
Busch Gardens features animal attractions, shows, a safari, roller coaster rides for adults and children, a multi-story family play area and live entertainment. Florida residents pay discounted prices. Hours are subject to change, call for details.

Florida State Fair
4800 Highway 301 N.
Tampa, FL 33610
Phone: (813) 621-7821
Phone: (800) 345-FAIR
www.floridastatefair.com
Florida State Fair features rides, vendors, arts and crafts, livestock, food, concerts and a variety of year-round events. Call for date and pricing details.

Florida Strawberry Festival
2202 West Reynolds St.
Plant City, FL 33563-4706
Phone: (813) 752-9194
www.flstrawberryfestival.com
Florida Strawberry Field features exhibits of agriculture, commerce, industry, livestock, fine arts, horticulture and crafts. There are events celebrating ethnic traditions, competitive contests, youth developmental programs, concerts, bands and parades. The offices are open year-round, but call for festival dates.

Bay Area Renaissance Festival
4801 E. Fowler Ave.
Tampa, FL 33617
Phone: (800) 779-4910
Bay Area Renaissance Festival is based on a 16th century Elizabethan village and will feature performances, food, crafts, people and music. Call for dates and details.

Air Fest 2009 (MacDill Air Force Base)
8208 Hanger Loop Dr., Ste. 14
MacDill Air Force Base, FL 33621
Phone: (813) 828-2215
www.macdill.af.mil
www.macdillsairfest.com
Air Fest is one of the largest air shows in the Departments of Defense. It features United States aerial maneuver shows, car shows, displays, weapons and a food booth. Call for details.

Heritage Park
11909 125th St.
Largo, FL 33774
Phone: (727) 582-2123
www.pinellascounty.org/heritage
Heritage Park is an open-air museum, including a school house, train depot, store and a variety of historical structures. The museum also has a 3500-volume library with special collections, containing historical photos and maps, and The Daniel McMullen home exhibits weaving, quilting and other crafts year-round. Admission is free, but donations are welcomed.

St. Petersburg Museum of History
335 Second Ave. N.E.
St. Petersburg, Florida 33701
Phone: (727) 894-1052
www.spmoh.org
St. Petersburg Museum of History works to collect, preserve and communicate the history and heritage of Florida with emphasis on St. Petersburg and the Pinellas Peninsula. The museum features changing exhibits and an extensive archive of historical photos. It offers views of the marina and downtown St. Petersburg's.

Museum of Science and Industry
4801 E Fowler Ave., Ste. 100
Tampa, FL 33617
Phone: (813) 987-6315
www.mosi.org
Museum of Science and Industry is the largest science center in the southeast. It is a community-based institution and educational resource that works to advance public interest, knowledge, and understanding of science, industry and technology. It offers a large variety of interactive exhibits for a variety of ages and houses an IMAX theater.

E. G. Simmons Regional Park
2401 19th Ave., N.W.
Ruskin, , FL 33570
Phone: (813) 671-7655
www.site.ruskinonline.com
E.G. Simmons offers picnicking, swimming, boating, fishing and modern facilities for overnight camping. You must register with the office before taking a campsite and provide your own camping equipment. Sleeping in cars is not allowed. Hours are seasonal, call for details.

Weeki Wachee Springs
US-19
Brooksville, FL 34613
Phone: (352) 596-2062
www.weekiwachee.com
Weeki Wachi Springs offers swimming areas, animal shows and riverboat rides down the Weeki Wachee River and into Old Florida. The springs feature a variety of animal life, like peacocks, turtles, fish, manatees, otters

and alligators. Children and adults can watch mermaids swim alongside the sea life and even swim in the spring themselves, with the new Sea Diver Program. There is also a Mermaid Camp for children. Times and schedules are subject to change, call for details.

Sarasota Classic Car Museum
550 N. Tamiami Trail
Sarasota, FL 34243
Phone: (941) 355-6228
www.sarasotacarmuseum.org
The museum features over 100 cars, spanning an array of decades, trends and models. It is open everyday except Christmas, 9am to 6pm.

Old Hyde Park Village
1509 W. Swann Ave.
Tampa, FL 33606
Phone: (813) 251-3500
www.oldhydepark.com
Old Hyde Park Village features stores, boutiques and restaurants. They also offer monthly concerts, semi-annual Art Festivals and other festivals throughout the year. Check website or call for store events, activities and special offerings.

Sunken Gardens
1825 4th St. N.
St. Petersburg, FL 33704
Phone: (727) 551-3102
www.stpete.org/sunken
Sunken Gardens features a 100 year-old garden, home to some of the oldest tropical plants in the region and from around the world. There are cascading waterfalls, demonstration gardens, more than 50,000 tropical plants and flowers and a butterfly garden. Sunken Gardens provides garden tours and horticultural programs. They also cater to special events, field trips, weddings, private and corporate rentals.

St. Petersburg Pier
800 2nd Ave. N.E.
St. Petersburg, FL 33701
Phone: (727) 821-6443
Phone: (727) 821-6164
www.stpete-pier.com
St. Petersburg Pier offers fishing, boat rentals, weekly festivals, shopping, dining and nightlife. It also features an inverted pyramid overlooking Tampa Bay. The Pier is open 365 days a year. Attractions and restaurant hours vary, call for details.

The Pier Aquarium
800 2nd Ave. N.E.
St. Petersburg, FL 33701
Phone: (727) 895-7437
www.pieraquarium.org
The Pier Aquarium features a hands-on education station, a touch tank, interactive and live animal exhibits and a fully functional outdoor marine lab on Spa Beach. They are open everyday except Christmas.

Mote Marine Science Aquarium
1600 Ken Thompson Parkway
Sarasota, Florida 34236
Phone: (941) 388-4441
Phone: (800) 691-MOTE
www.mote.org
Mote Marine Science Aquarium features touch pools, sharks, dolphins, manatees, sea turtle exhibits and over 100 other species of marine life. They have viewable working labs and high-tech interactive exhibits showcasing the Mote Marine Laboratory's research. The Aquarium is open 365 days a year. General admission includes access to Mote Aquarium, the Ann and Alfred E. Goldstein Marine Mammal Center and Immersion Cinema.

SunCoast Seabird Sanctuary
18328 Gulf Blvd.
Indian Rocks Beach, FL 33785
Phone: (727) 391-6211
Phone: (727) 391-2473
www.seabirdsanctuary.org
Suncoast Seabird Sanctuary is the largest wild bird hospital and bird sanctuary in the United States, based on the admission of up to 10,000 birds per year. They rescue, repair & rehabilitate injured birds and then release them back into nature. There are free tours every Weds and Sun at 2pm. The Sanctuary is open 365 days a year, from 8am to dusk. Admission is free.

StarLite Cruises
Clearwater Marina
25 Causeway Blvd., Slip 58
Clearwater Beach, FL 33767
Phone: (727) 367-7804
www.starlitecruises.com
StarLite Cruise offers dining, dancing and entertainment. The boarding fee is $22.90+tax, lunch or dinner is paid for onboard the ship. StarLight provides services for sightseers, weddings, wedding receptions, group functions, special events, birthdays, anniversaries and banquets. Call for details.

Sarasota Jungle Gardens
3701 Bay Shore Rd.
Sarasota, FL 34234
Phone: (941) 355-1112
www.sarasotajunglegardens.com
Sarasota Jungle Gardens offers 10 acres of tropical vegetation, winding jungle trails and educational bird and reptile shows. Their Kiddie Jungle features a tree house, a haunted tree, tiger swings, a slide and a custom wooden train for children.

Homosassa Springs Wildlife State Park
4150 S. Suncoast Blvd.
Homosassa, Florida 34446
Phone: (352) 628-5343
www.homosassasprings.org
Homosassa Springs showcases native Florida wildlife, including manatees, black bears, bobcats, white-tailed deer, American alligators, American crocodiles and river otters. Recreational opportunities include picnicking, nature study and bird-watching. The park features a children's education center, providing hands-on experiences about Florida's environment, two gift shops and a café.

Tampa Bay Downs
11225 Race Track Rd.
Tampa, FL 33626
Phone: (813) 855-4401
www.tampabaydowns.com
Admission to grand stand is free during weekdays, $2 on weekends and $3 daily for admission to the clubhouse. Seasonal operation, call for details.

Hillsborough River State Park
15402 N. US Hwy 301
Thonotosassa, Florida 33592
Phone: (813) 987-6771
www.floridastateparks.org
Hillsborough River offers campfire programs, park ranger exercises, tram rides, guided canoe trips, a café, camping and other various activities.

Sand Key Park
1060 Gulf Blvd.
Clearwater, FL 33767
Phone: (727) 588-4852
Phone: (727) 464-3347
www.pinellascounty.org
Key County Park offers two large beach and park areas, with two picnic shelters and grills, a playground and restrooms. They also feature a dog park, cabana rentals, beach wheel-chairs, outdoor shower towers and bath houses with separate changing stalls. A lifeguard is on duty seasonally. Open daily from 7am to dusk. Admission is free.

Side Splitters Comedy Club
12938 N Dale Mabry Hwy.
Tampa, FL 33618
Phone: (813) 960-1197
www.sidesplitterscomedy.com
Side Splitters features live stand-up comedy and on-going open-mic events. They are open Thurs to Sun. Dates, times, cover charges and performers are subject to change, call for details.

Sebastian Internet Café
2727 Ulmerton Rd., #100
Clearwater, FL 33762
Phone: (727) 573-1343
www.sebastiansinternetcafe.com
Sebastian Internet Café offers free Wi-Fi access and breakfast, lunch and dinner foods. They provide corporate accounts and catering services.

Boba Internet Café
2764 University Sq. Dr.
Tampa, FL 33612
Phone: (813) 866-8569
Boba Internet Café specializes in a variety of bubble teas. They offer free Wi-Fi, an X-box console, coffees, teas, fruit flavored slushies and pastries.

Improv Comedy Center
1600 E. 8th Ave.
Tampa, FL 33605
Phone: (813) 864-4000
Tampa Improv Comedy Club is open Wed to Sun. Showtimes and cover charges vary, call for details.

Coconuts Comedy Clubs
www.coconutscomedyclubs.com
Coconuts features a wide array of stand-up comedy, showcasing comics and performers from the Florida region and all over the world. Dates, times, cover charges and performers vary, call for details.

St. Petersburg Tradewinds Sandpiper Resort
6000 Gulf Blvd.
St. Petersburg, FL 33706
Phone: (727) 360-5653

200 1st Ave. S.
St. Petersburg, FL 33701
Phone: (727) 360-5653

Clearwater
2950 Gulf-to-Bay Blvd.
Clearwater, Florida 33759
Phone: (727) 797-5653

Jimmy B's Beach Bar
6200 Gulf Blvd.
St. Petersburg, FL 33706
Phone: (727) 367-1902
www.beachcomberflorida.com
Jimmy B's Beach Bar is located directly on the beaches of Beachcomber Beach Resort Hotel,
near the Gulf of Mexico. It features daily live entertainment and there is no cover charge.

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