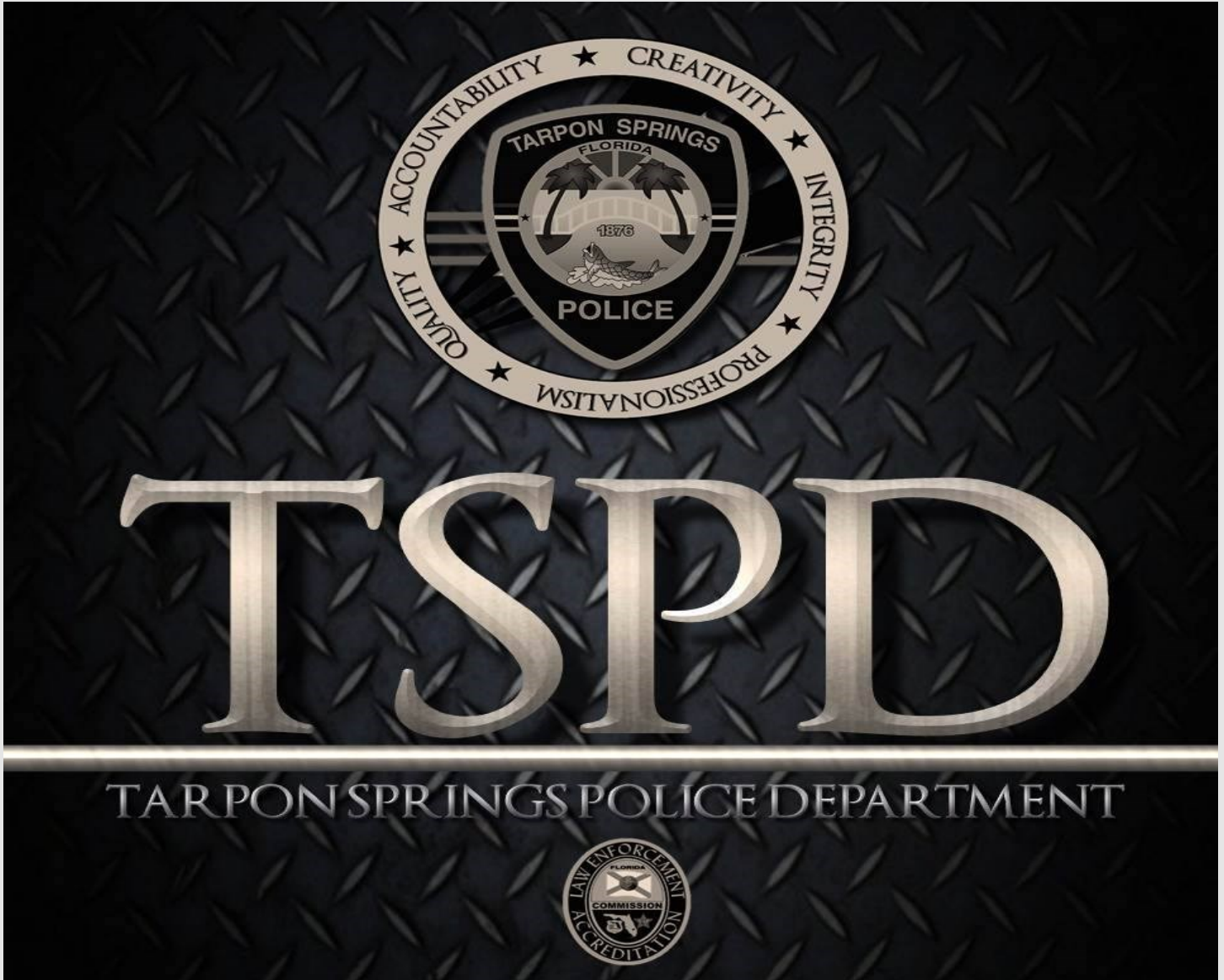


Crime Watch Newsletter

January 2020



Tarpon Springs Police Department

444 South Huey Avenue

Tarpon Springs, FL 34689

Emergency #911

Dispatch # 727-937-6151

Police Admin/Non Emergency# 727-938-2849



Good Things To Know

FLORIDA TEXTING AND DRIVING LAW

Texting while driving is a primary offense in Florida that can get you a traffic ticket.

LOCK CRIME OUT OF YOUR HOME!!!!!!

- **Lock ALL doors and windows:** Even if you will be gone for a short time.
- **Use Lights to your advantage:** Well-lit areas are less likely to be targeted.
- **If you have an Alarm System:** Use It
- **Make a list of all your valuables:** List serial numbers, take pictures
- **Trusted Neighbors or Family Members:** Can check you residence **TSPD** offers Vacation House Check, contact Crime Prevention at 727-937-8753 or email tspdcrimeprev@tspd.us
- **See Something Say Something:**

Emergency **911**

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THINGS TO DO IN TARPON



World-Class Arts, Culture and Entertainment in Tarpon Springs

tarponarts.org / 727-942-5605

Check Out the 2020 Event Line-Up!

Jan 26, 2020

@ 2pm

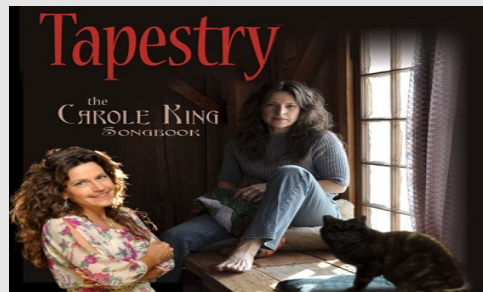
Performing Arts Center



Feb 2, 2020

@ 2pm

Performing Arts Center



Feb 8, 2020

@ 7pm

Performing Arts Center



THINGS TO DO IN TARPON

Sunset Beach Concerts

Feb—Nov

Concerts are on the first Thursday of the month @ 7pm



First FRIDAY

ART FOOD
SHOPS MUSIC

Historic Downtown Tarpon Springs

February 7

6pm-10pm

FREE Parking & Shuttle

5pm-10:30pm - Dog / Splash Park
508 Live Oak St - Tarpon Springs

FREE FAMILY EVENT

- Music • Food • Vendors
- Shops • Beer & Wine
- Fun • And More!

LIVE MUSIC
Tarpon Avenue—*Unique*

Hibiscus Street—*Todd Walton*

Next Month's Theme — *Caribbean Night*

This month's theme...
Valentine's Celebration!

Be mine!

www.TarponSpringsFloridaUSA.com

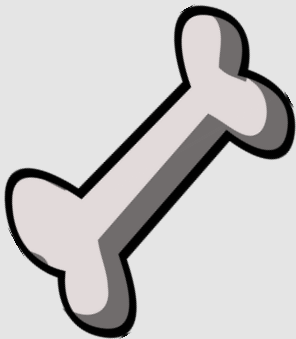
Hosted By The Tarpon Springs Merchants Association and
Sponsored by TD Bank. No Admission Fee. Become a Vendor
starting at \$35. Email tarponspringsflorida@gmail.com for details.

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Tarpon Springs Police Department

Having dedicated 7 years of faithful service to our city, K9 Dobies was recognized for his stellar career...with appreciation from members of the police department and employees of the City, some fun toys, and lots of pet-friendly treats. And, boy, did he enjoy those treats!!!! He also enjoyed all the hugs from his [#bluefamily](#).

Check out the Tarpon Springs Police Department Facebook Page for the full story!!!



Crime Prevention

TARPON SPRINGS BUSINESS CRIME WATCH

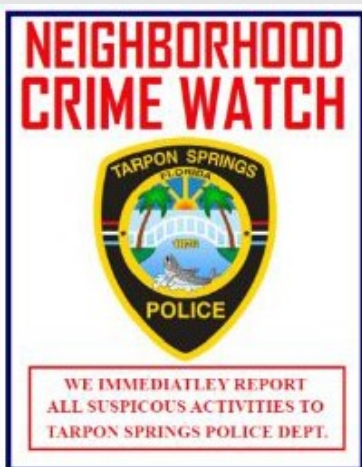
The purpose of this program is to have the ability to alert businesses when there is a problem that could affect their business in an adverse manner. This could be implemented when there is a theft ring, vandalism, bad checks being passed, weather-related emergencies or any other problem.

This will be implemented through the Police Department's reverse 911 alert system and/or E-mail alerts. You will be notified by phone and/or E-mail at all phone numbers or E-mail addresses the Police Department has on file for you through the attached sign-up form.

You can complete the new member form or update member information online by visiting www.tspd.us, Crime Prevention and select Business Watch. This form can be printed and either mailed to Tarpon Springs Police Department, Crime Prevention Unit, 444 S. Huey Avenue, Tarpon Springs, Florida, 34689, or fax it to (727) 937-0193, or you can drop it off at the Police Department.

[Business Watch Application and Member Information Update](#)

If at any time you need to change this information or you have any questions, please call Officer Anthony Boone at the Tarpon Springs Police Department, Crime Prevention Unit, 937-8753 or E-mail (tspdcimeprev@tspd.us)



WE ARE ON THE WEB AT

WWW.TSPD.US

“LIKE” US FACEBOOK

CRIME PREVENTION TIP

United States Census Bureau

Avoiding Fraudulent Activity and Scams

Phishing - is the criminal act of trying to get your information –usernames, passwords, social security numbers, and bank account or credit card account details – by pretending to be an entity you trust. Phishing e-mails often direct you to a website that looks real, but is fake, and may be infected with malware.

Other Scams

You may be the victim of a scam if someone claiming to be from the Census Bureau asks you for certain information. The Census Bureau never asks for:

- your full Social Security number
- money or donations
- anything on behalf of a political party
- your full bank or credit card account numbers
- your mother's maiden name

Should you suspect fraudulent activity, please do the following

If someone calls your household to complete survey– you can call the National Processing Center to verify caller

If someone visits your residence to complete survey– check valid U.S Census ID badge

If you get an e-mail and think its bogus– do not reply, do not click or open attachments (forward email to: ois.fraud.reporting@census.gov)

For more information visit: www.census.gov

Fire Safety Tip



1. It's getting cold again, have your heating system serviced and cleaned to remove the dust and dirt buildup on the heat strips. Clean heating systems help to prevent fires.
2. **Just a Reminder....** Check the operation of your Smoke Detectors at least once a month and change the battery twice a year. Use Easter and Halloween as easy to remember reference dates.
3. Pull out your Fire Extinguishers, give them a good inspection, check the gauge pressure, check the nozzle for obstructions, and now give it a good shake. These items will help it ready for use when you need it.

If you can
spot a scam,
you can
stop a scam

Use the scam test

- S**eems too good to be true
- C**ontacted out of the blue
- A**sks for personal details
- M**oney is requested

Gift Cards are for Gifts, Not to Pay Bills

