



Tampa International Airport POLICE DEPARTMENT

Crime Prevention 2016 Annual Report

Tampa International Airport Police Department (TIAPD) takes a dynamic role with employees, tenants, and guests of Tampa International Airport (TIA) in an effort to enhance the safety and quality of the airport. By maintaining trustworthy relationships with people in the community, members are more willing to voice their concerns, provide suggestions, and assist in solving issues. Officers and Human Resources also work together to consistently promote the agency and TIA as one of the best employment opportunities in the county. During 2016, Crime Prevention and K9 worked together to conduct presentations throughout the Airport Community and the Tampa Bay area. Together, they conducted 50 presentations on and off airport property with the number of attendees exceeding 2000. The presentations included speaking engagements at schools and civic organizations which covered topics such as Travel Safety, Stranger Danger, Personal Safety, Driving Safety, and Airport Security. Crime Prevention provided tours of the police department and participated in multiple events throughout the community which included: Planes, Trains, and Automobiles, Mothers Against Drunk Driving Vigil, Walk Like MADD, Job Fairs, Great American Teach In, and Safety Events. Venues included the TIA Boardroom, MacDill Recreational Center, Tampa Executive Airport, University of South Florida, and others.



The Crime Prevention Practitioner designed and implemented two online surveys to solicit feedback from the airport community and guests of Tampa International Airport. One survey focuses on customer service satisfaction pertaining to the overall performance of TIAPD. The other survey is designed to gather information on desired training by the airport tenants, employees, and airlines. There were 40 online surveys completed in 2016 which revealed that the airport community is satisfied to highly satisfied with the Airport Police Department and the performance of the officers working in the community and representing the agency. There were surveys which suggested training topics and those of high interest included Active Shooter and Suspicious Activity/Packages.

The Crime Prevention practitioners provided training for airport tenants, volunteers and employees throughout 2016. Training included crime prevention tips, cybercrime, holiday safety, and multiple active shooter classes. The training sessions last approximately 45 minutes to an hour and the agency has been provided with all positive feedback from the participating audiences.

The team also attended multiple meetings which included: HCAA Safety Committee, Special Details, ConRAC meetings, Airport Airside Apron Safety, General Aviation Safety Committee, Quality Improvement Team, and Crime Stoppers of Tampa Bay.



There were concerns about the safety of post office employees while walking in and out of work. The construction in the area and the extra vehicular traffic caused concern for pedestrian safety. The Crime Prevention Unit provided pedestrian and crosswalk training to over 280 post office employees. Crime Prevention obtained pamphlets and brochures from FDOT to help educate Post Office employees on

pedestrian and crosswalk safety. Officers spend valuable time at the crosswalk to ensure the safety of the employees and they walked to and from the post office. We also trained rental car agency supervisors and provided them with the training material in English and Spanish voice overs in order for all the supervisors to successfully train their employees.

Community Events



On January 23, 2016 members of TIAPD helped represent the Authority at the Gasparilla Children's Parade.



On February 27, 2016, K9 Officer Krantz and Investigator Shughart attended the Planes Trains and Automobiles event in Plant City. Krantz and K9 Bella conducted demos throughout the day while Investigator Shughart provided safety information and giveaways. The event brings in over 6,000 residents from Plant City and Hillsborough County.



On April 1, 2016, Investigators Shughart and D. Jones attended the Walk Like MADD event held at the University of South Florida (top left).



On April 28, 2016, members of TIAPD and HCAA Human Resources attended a job fair at MacDill AFB (top right).
On September 20, 2016, Investigators Shughart and D. Jones attended the St. Petersburg College Criminal Justice Job Fair (not pictured).



On September 30 and October 1, 2016, members of TIAPD coordinated and participated in the first public safety job fair at TIA (bottom left).

On December 8, 2016, Investigator Shughart (not pictured), K9 Officer Maggiacomo, and Officer Finley attended the Mothers Against Drunk Driving

Vigil held in Temple Terrace. MADD's annual vigil is for victims, survivors, advocates, friends and their families or those emotionally impacted by the crime of drunk or impaired driving (bottom right).

On September 12, 2016, Chief Sireci and Investigator Shughart were honored to attend the Suncoast Crime Prevention Association luncheon in Ybor City. The Suncoast Crime Prevention Association promotes crime prevention practices for the purpose of decreasing crime, the fear of crime and improving the quality of life.

The Crime Prevention Practitioner finalized a security analysis for the executive suites in the main terminal. The purpose of the analysis is to assess the safety and security of the areas and provide security recommendations.

TIAPD takes pride in keeping Tampa International Airport one of the safest and most secure airports in the world!

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