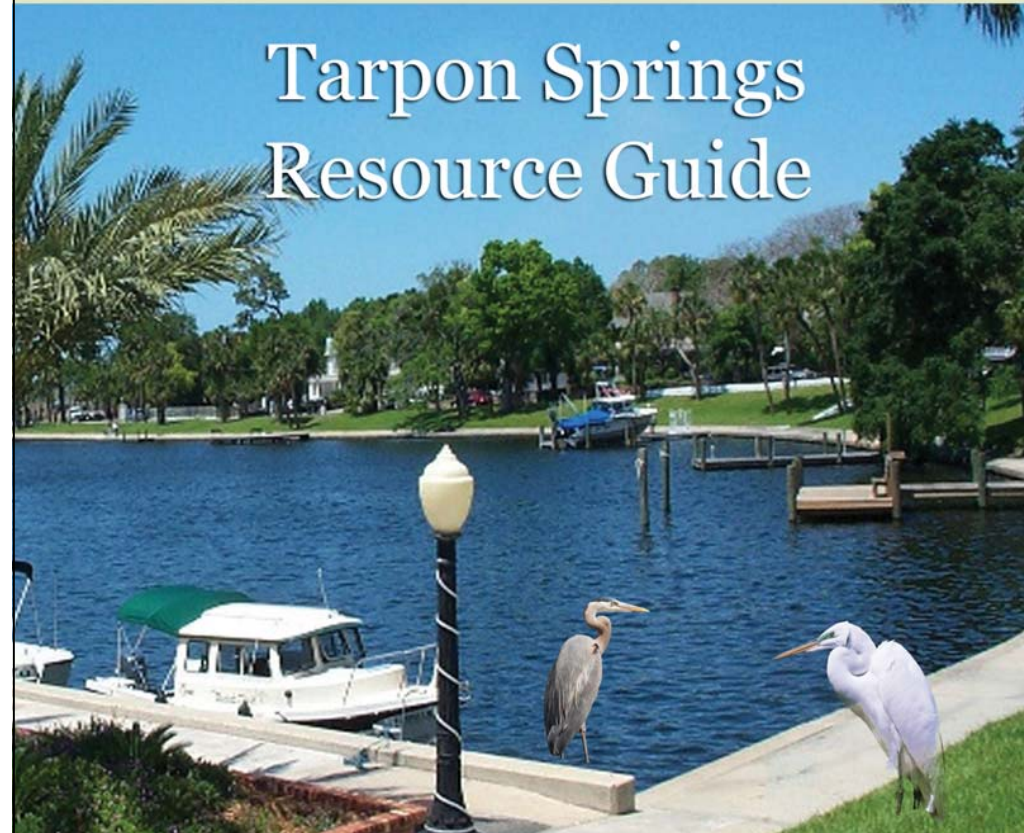




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Tarpon Springs Resource Guide



Together we can build a strong, thriving,
Tarpon Springs.



Dear Tarpon Springs residents,

The City of Tarpon Springs and many community partners have united to build a peaceful and thriving city through becoming a Trauma Informed Community. We are pleased to present this Community Resource Guide featuring resources and their contact information. Whether you are a parent, community member, business owner, service provider, school teacher, police officer or community volunteer, this guide is intended to assist individuals in obtaining support and services for children, family members, and clients. We hope you find it to be a helpful tool.

This guide is part of a larger community program called *Peace4Tarpon Trauma Informed Community Initiative*. The initiative is a holistic approach to the many challenges a community faces. It addresses the causes of issues and is not a band-aid approach to negative life experiences. From bullying in our schools, joblessness, to homelessness, cities are charged with finding solutions to many problems, but often, the seeds of these issues were planted many years prior.

The City of Tarpon Springs is working to support families and businesses towards finding solutions to the many challenges that surface from unaddressed trauma issues by increasing awareness and promoting healing. Our vision is for the Tarpon Springs community to become a place where every person, whether child or adult, is safe, healthy, educated, and feels valued. We are all in this together, and as a community, we can do this together!

We invite you to visit our website www.Peace4Tarpon.org to learn more about the initiative and utilize valuable resources to meet personal and organization goals.

Sincerely,
Robin Saenger
 Peace4Tarpon, Chair

*“Together we can create a stronger more thriving Tarpon Springs.
 Everyone bring what piece/peace you can.”*

**Neighborhood Care Network -
 Solomon Peska Center (PSK)**

727-573-9444

www.neighborhly.org

13945 Evergreen Avenue
 Clearwater, FL

- Provides services such as, Meals on Wheels, Medicare home health, pharmacy, transportation, and adult day care

Pinellas County Tax Collector

727-464-7777

www.taxcollect.com

743 South Pinellas Avenue
 Tarpon Springs, Florida

Veterans Services - continued

Pinellas County Veteran’s Services 727-464-8460

www.pinellascounty.org/humanservices/veterans

2189 Cleveland Street, Suite 201
Clearwater, Florida

Other Services

AARP Tax Preparation Sites 727-943-4922

(located in Tarpon Springs Library)

www.aarp.org/money/taxaide

138 East Lemon Street
Tarpon Springs, Florida

- Hours: Monday and Tuesday, 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Congregation B’NAI Emmunah 727-938-9000

www.bnaiemmunah.org/

3374 Keystone Road
Tarpon Springs, Florida

Florida Department of Corrections 727-942-5411

www.dc.state.fl.us

1501 South Pinellas Avenue, Suite L
Tarpon Springs, Florida

Tarpon Springs Community Resource Guide

Here in Tarpon Springs there are many resources available to the everyday person without exception. With efforts through the *Peace4Tarpon Trauma Informed Community Initiative* and their dedication to prevent future trauma, this resource guide was compiled to help every person in the community obtain assistance and support in living healthier lives.

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2-1-1 Facts & Information

2-1-1 serves approximately 260 million Americans (86.6% of the entire population) covering all 50 states (including 37 states with 90%+ coverage) plus Washington, DC and Puerto Rico. Yet, millions of Americans still need to be connected. In the Tampa Bay area, 2-1-1 Tampa Bay Cares, Inc. provides 2-1-1 services to Pinellas, Citrus, Hernando, Lake, and Sumter Counties.

WHAT IS 2-1-1?

2-1-1 is an easy to remember telephone number that connects callers to information about critical health and human services available in their community.

While services that are offered through 2-1-1 vary from community to community, 2-1-1 provides callers with information about and referrals to human services for every day needs and in times of crisis. 2-1-1 offers access to the following types of services:

- **Basic Human Needs Resources:** food banks, clothing, shelters, rent assistance, utility assistance.
- **Physical and Mental Health Resources:** crisis intervention services, support groups, counseling, drug/alcohol intervention, rehabilitation, Medicaid/Medicare, children’s health insurance programs.
- **Employment Support:** unemployment benefits, financial assistance, job training, transportation assistance, education programs.
- **Support for Older Americans and Persons with Disabilities:** home health care, adult day care, congregate meals, Meals on Wheels, respite care, transportation, and homemaker services.
- **Support for Children, Youth and Families:** Quality childcare, after school programs, Head Start, family resource centers, summer camps and recreation programs, mentoring, tutoring.
- **Volunteer Opportunities and Donations**

BENEFITS TO 2-1-1 USERS

One call gives you access to resources across your community. 2-1-1 is efficient, fast and easy to use; find or give help in your community; confidential call; maintains the integrity of the 9-1-1 system; saving that vital community resource for life and death emergencies; FREE 24-hour/7 day a week availability; 2-1-1 is always there for you.

If you’re needing help, call 2-1-1 or email info@211tampabay.org

Websites at: www.211tampabay.org or www.211connects.org

Veterans Services

**Saint Petersburg College/
Veterans Resource Center**

727-712-5848

www.spcollege.edu

Tarpon Springs Campus
600 East Klosterman Road
Tarpon Springs, Florida

- General assistance for veteran students (outreach)

VA Outpatient Clinic

727-734-5276

[www.healthcare.com/profile/
north-pinellas-va-health-clinic](http://www.healthcare.com/profile/north-pinellas-va-health-clinic)

**Suicide Hotline:
1-800-273-8255**

35209 US Highway 19 North
Palm Harbor, Florida

- Hours: Monday - Friday, 7:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
- Primary care
- Mental health care
- Women’s health care
- EKG services
- Phlebotomy (blood draws, and specimen collection)
- Social work services
- Pharmacist consultation



Transportation

Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles - Drivers License **727-464-7777**

www.flhsmv.gov
743 South Pinellas Avenue
Tarpon Springs, Florida

- Hours: Monday - Friday, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Greater Pinellas Transportation Management System **727-545-2100**

www.gptms.com

- A variety of bus passes are available based on eligibility

Medicaid Taxi Service Transportation Disadvantaged Program **727-545-2100**

www.psta.net/tdprogram.php

- Discounted transportation services based on eligibility
- **Please Note:** You must call 80 hours (4 business days) before your scheduled medical appointment

PSTA Buses **727-540-1900**
www.psta.net **For Information**

- Individual day, weekly, monthly, bus passes are available
- Discounted rates for seniors

Basic Needs (food, clothing, financial support, etc.)

Clothes To Kids **727-441-5050**

www.clothestokids.org
1059 N. Hercules Avenue
Clearwater, FL 33765

- Hours by appointment, Tuesday-Friday, 1st and 3rd Saturdays, 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.
- Provides new and used quality clothing free of charge to school-age children eligible to receive free or reduced lunch in Pinellas County
- Clients may shop twice in 12-month period, must have referral each time they shop, must make an appointment before

Mount Hermon Missionary Baptist Church **727-937-7015**

www.mhmbc.net
400 South Levis Avenue
Tarpon Springs, Florida

- Hot Meals: Saturday 11 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Mt. Moriah A.M.E. Church **727-938-0873**

722 South Disston Avenue
Tarpon Springs, Florida

- Hot Meals: Tuesday 10:30 a.m. - 12 p.m.



Basic Needs - continued

Pinellas County Health Department 727-942-5457

www.pinellashealth.com

301 South Disston Avenue
Tarpon Springs, Florida

- Monday thru Friday, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Services are based on eligibility
- WIC (Women, Infants and Children), nutritional supplies for babies and young children, family planning/pregnancy counseling, Immunizations
- Dental Services for children and adults on Pinellas County Health Plan
- Sexually Transmitted Diseases and HIV Testing

Pinellas Opportunity Council 727-937-9393
Financial Assistance

www.poc-inc.org

218 Lemon Street
Tarpon Springs, Florida

- Financial guidance and support is available by appointment only

Saint Nicholas Greek 727-937-3540
Orthodox Cathedral

www.stnicholascenter.org

36 North Pinellas Avenue
Tarpon Springs, Florida

- Hot Meals: Monday, 10:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Pinellas County Health Department 727-942-5457

www.pinellashealth.com

301 South Disston Avenue
Tarpon Springs, Florida

- Children and adult immunizations
- STD exams and treatment, HIV testing
- Family planning
- Primary care services for county health plan clients, children’s dental, breast and cervical cancer screening, birth certificates and death certificates

Shine Program 727-217-8111

www.ctsfl.us/recreation

Tarpon Springs Community Center
400 South Walton Avenue
Tarpon Springs, Florida

- Medicare/Medicaid medical guidance and support

Sickle Cell Association 727-943-2355

www.sicklecellupph.org

Sickle Cell Disease Association
401 East Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive
Tarpon Springs, Florida

- Guidance and services for individuals and families



Housing

Home Share Pinellas **727-945-1528**

www.homeshareprogram.org

500 South Walton Avenue
Tarpon Springs, Florida

- Program provides residential matching services for individuals and families looking to share residence for a variety of reasons

Tarpon Springs Housing Authority **727-937-4411**

www.tarponspringshousing.com

500 South Walton Avenue
Tarpon Springs, Florida

- Each housing arrangement is custom made to fit the individual or family
- Costs will vary based on eligibility

Medical/Dental Needs

Community Health Center of Pinellas **727-944-3828**

www.chcpinellas.org

247 South Huey Avenue
Tarpon Springs, Florida

- Adult and children doctor services Monday - Friday, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
- Children's night clinic, Wednesdays open until 7 p.m.
- Income based services, ranging from \$20-\$60 per visit or free to Pinellas County health insurance members
- Services include: family practice, pediatrics, obstetrics, gynecology, and dental care

Saint Timothy Lutheran Church **727-937-3503**

www.mylutheran.com

812 East Tarpon Avenue
Tarpon Springs, Florida

- Hot Meals: Thursday, 11 a.m. - 12 p.m. and 5 - 6 p.m.

Salvation Army Social Services **727-934-4476**

www.salvationarmy.org

209 South Pinellas Avenue
Tarpon Springs, Florida

- Food pantry available
- Disaster referral to Red Cross
- Utility bill assistance up to \$100, three times in lifetime with mandatory one year in-between

The Shepherd Center **727-939-1400**

www.tsshepherdcenter.org

780 South Pinellas Avenue
Tarpon Springs, Florida

- Food Pantry and meals available Monday - Saturday, 10:30 a.m. - 12 p.m., Sunday, 4-5 p.m.
- Emergency food, clothing, furniture, financial support, referrals to other community services, and sponsors community kitchens
- **Hot Meals and Food Pantries Available at below locations:**
 - * **Monday:** Saint Nicholas Greek Orthodox Cathedral
 - * **Tuesday:** Mt. Moriah A.M.E. Church
 - * **Wednesday:** Ring Street Community Building



Basic Needs - continued

- * **Thursday:** St. Timothy’s Lutheran Church
- * **Friday:** Ring Street Community Building
- * **Saturday:** Mount Hermon Missionary Baptist Church
- * **Sunday:** Mt. Moriah A.M.E. Church.

Upper Pinellas Pregnancy Center 727-937-4304

www.st.ignatius.net/pregnant.html

80 North Walton Avenue
Tarpon Springs, Florida

- No eligibility requirements
- Pregnancy counseling and support
- Free maternity and children’s clothing, diapers, games, books, etc.

Child Care/Recreation

Boys and Girls Club 727-937-6837

www.bgca.org

111 West Lime Street
Tarpon Springs, Florida

- Provides child care for after school, holidays, and summer break
- Offers national programs, such as power hour reading, and math
- Youth participate in community projects, such as gardening

Women’s Empowerment Initiative 727-944-3828 **Operation PAR**

www.operationpar.org

247 South Huey Avenue
Tarpon Springs, Florida

- Substance abuse services and support
- Physicians on site, by referral

Homeless Services

Cold Weather/Hurricane 727-937-3503 **Storm Homeless Shelter**

www.mylutheran.com

Saint Timothy Lutheran Church

812 East Tarpon Avenue
Tarpon Springs, Florida

- Opens approximately at 9 p.m. on nights when temperatures drop to 40 degrees or lower
- Provides a warm place, meals, floor mat, and clothing

Tarpon Springs Homeless Outreach 727-938-2849

www.tspd.us

444 South Huey Avenue
Tarpon Springs, Florida

Officer Jose Yourgules

727-215-1728

Keva St. Fort

727-524-4464, #1355

John Morgan

- Street outreach program designed to help homeless with placement in housing and other resources



Family Support - continued

Dry Dock/A.A. 727-934-6638

www.aa.org
1733 Alternate 19
Tarpon Springs, Florida

- Support groups seven days a week, including holidays

Recovery Inc. 727-785-4506

Mental Health Support Group

www.mylutheran.com
Saint Timothy Lutheran Church
812 Tarpon Avenue
Tarpon Springs, Florida

- Self-help support groups

Suncoast Center, Inc. 727-388-1220

Tarpon Springs Services
www.suncoastcenter.org

Strengthening, protecting, and restoring the lives for a healthy community. Outpatient and in-home services are provided throughout Pinellas County.

- Counseling and support addressing trauma, mental health, substance abuse, child abuse and neglect and/or domestic violence.
- Psychiatric Services
- Proactive and preventive individual and family services to improve functioning
- Certified Rape Crisis Center of Pinellas County, 24-hour Rape Crisis Hotline: 530-7273

City of Tarpon Springs Recreation Center 727-942-5610

www.ctsfl.us
400 South Walton Avenue
Tarpon Springs, Florida

- Hours: Monday - Thursday, 7 a.m. - 9 p.m.
Friday, 7 a.m. - 6 p.m., Saturday, 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.
- Provides recreation, after school and summer programs
- Low cost membership available

Coordinated Child Care (located in Health Department Building) 727-942-5457 Ext. 6106

www.childcarepinellas.org
301 Disston Avenue
Tarpon Springs, Florida

- Children's programs based on income eligibility
- Scholarships for School Readiness Programs
- Volunteer pre-kindergarten (VPK)
- Other services provided are family homeless prevention counseling

Child Care/Recreation - continued**Cops 'n Kids 727-934-4800**

www.copsandkids.us

555 East Harrison Street
Tarpon Springs, Florida

- Program is run by police officers and local school teachers
- Provides afterschool, holiday, and summer break programs, for youth 7-18 years of age
- Daily homework assistance and one-on-one tutoring
- The youth enjoy many fun classes such as art, leadership, science, and technology

For the Love of Birth 727-934-1267

www.birthingwithlove.com

1730 South Pinellas Avenue
Tarpon Springs, Florida

- Office hours: Monday - Friday, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
- Provides pregnancy and childbirth counseling

Fred Howard Park 727-943-4081

www.pinellascounty.org/park/06_howard.htm

1700 Sunset Drive
Tarpon Springs, Florida

- Hours: 7 a.m. - Sunset
- Park and beach are free to public, parking \$5

Employment**Worknet One-Stop Career Center 727-524-4344**

www.worknetpinellas.org

682 East Klosterman Road
Tarpon Springs, Florida

- **TTY (Hard of Hearing phone line) 711**
- Assists people in finding employment

Family Support**ACTS Pinellas Residential Facility 727-942-4181**

www.actsfl.org

3575 Old Keystone Road
Tarpon Springs, Florida

- Residential program for male and female adults with mental health and substance abuse treatments

Directions for Mental Health, Inc. 727-524-4464

www.healthehurt.com

New! West Pasco Center
Outpatient Counseling and
Psychiatric Services - all ages
5642 Meadow Lane
New Port Richey, Florida

- We offer hope, recovery and compassion while restoring a person's dignity and quality of life
- We serve adults, children, and the homeless at all stages of life
- Some of our programs are restricted to a specific population, or subject to referral, most are available to the public
- Most services are based on a fixed or sliding fee scale and some are free



Emergency Services - continued

**Personal Enrichment Through
Mental Health Services (PEMHS)**
www.pemhs.org

727-541-4628
**24-Hour Mental
Health Assistance**

727-791-3131
**24-Hour Suicide
Hotline**

- Mental health emergency assistance

East Lake Fire Rescue
www.eastlakefirerescue.com
3280 Keystone Road
Tarpon Springs, Florida

727-943-0510

Florida Hospital North Pinellas
www.fhnorthpinellas.com
(formerly Helen Ellis Memorial Hospital)
1395 South Pinellas Avenue
Tarpon Springs, Florida

727-942-5000

Tarpon Springs Fire Rescue
www.ctsfl.us/Fire/fire
444 South Huey Avenue
Tarpon Springs, Florida

727-938-3737

Tarpon Springs Police Department
www.tspd.us
444 South Huey Avenue
Tarpon Springs, Florida

911
Emergency

727-938-2849
Non-Emergency

Head Start Center **727-938-4919**

www.ptheadstart.org
516 South Huey Avenue
Tarpon Springs, Florida

- Free childcare scholarships for eligible families
- Serving children birth to school-age

Healthy Families **727-588-4040**

12420 130th Avenue North
Largo, Florida

A nationally accredited home visiting program for expectant parents and parents of newborns experiencing stressful life situations

- Improve family self-sufficiency through education and community support
- Parents learn how to respond to their babies' changing developmental needs, use positive discipline techniques, cope with the day-to-day stress of parenting, set and achieve goals

Healthy Start **727-469-5800**
Ext. 5153

www.healthystartpinellas.org
310 South Disston Avenue
Tarpon Springs, Florida

- Voluntary program provides in home family support
- Assistance to other county programs for pregnant women and families with children birth to age two



Child Care/Recreation - continued

Leepa Rattner Museum **727-712-5762**

www.spcollege.edu/museum

600 East Klosterman Road
Tarpon Springs, Florida

- Hours: Tuesday, Wednesday, Saturday, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Thursday, 10 a.m. - 8 p.m., Friday, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Sunday, 1 - 5 p.m.
- Children and youth are free, Adults \$5.00, Seniors are \$4.00
- Galleries contain modern and contemporary paintings, sculptures, graphics, and fine art glass, including work by the Rattner family and other artists

R'Club Early Learning Academy **727-938-1611**

www.rclub.net

1019 East Lemon Street
Tarpon Springs, Florida

- Daycare for children 2-12 years old
- Before and after school, holiday, and summer break programs

Tarpon Springs Adult Day Care Center **727-573-9444**
"Neighborly Care Network" **Ext. 3051**

www.neighborly.org

431 East Spruce Street
Tarpon Springs, Florida

- Hours: Monday-Friday, 7:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
- Day care cost are \$11/hour without transportation, \$12.75 with transportation

Emergency Services

Assistance/helpline

Dial: 211

www.211connects.org

- An easy way to find food, shelter, clothing, medical, and mental health services
- Support for seniors and persons with disabilities
- Support for children, youth, and families
- Financial assistance
- Mentoring and tutoring
- Prescription assistance
- Back to school information
- Disaster recovery assistance
- Free tax preparation sites

911 Emergency Assistance

Dial: 911

- A direct connection to hospital, police, fire, emergency services

Child Abuse and Domestic Violence Hotline

1-800-500-1119

www.dcf.state.fl.us/programs/abuse



Education - continued

Tarpon Springs Fundamental School 727-943-5508

www.pcsb.org

400 East Harrison Street
Tarpon Springs, Florida

Tarpon Springs High School 727-943-4900

www.pcsb.org

1411 Gulf Road
Tarpon Springs, Florida

Tarpon Springs Library 727-943-4922

www.tarponspringslibrary.org

138 East Lemon Street
Tarpon Springs, Florida

- Hours: Monday - Wednesday, 10 a.m. - 9 p.m.
Thursday, and Friday, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Saturday, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m., closed Sundays
- Free library cards are available for Pinellas County residence

Tarpon Springs Middle School 727-943-5511

www.pcsb.org

501 North Florida Avenue
Tarpon Springs, Florida
Phone: 727-943-5511

Text4Baby

Text messages three times a week with information to help you through pregnancy and baby's first year.

Go to: www.Text4baby.org for set up

**Union Academy Family Center/
Citizens Alliance for Progress, Inc.
(CAP) 727-934-5881**

www.citizensallianceforprogress.org/

401 East Martin Luther King Jr. Drive
Tarpon Springs, Florida

- Students enrolled in the afterschool and summer camp receive assistance with homework and FCAT preparation. They participate in recreational activities, youth leadership, computer technology, cultural enrichment programs, and field trips. Some of the programs are gender specific
- Center offers parenting classes and family events
- Emergency assistance provided to families involved in our Family Support Program
- Other services provided are as follows:
 - **ACCESS site** – Clients can apply for food stamps, temporary cash assistance, Medicaid and Medicare online
 - **VITA site** – Free income tax preparation by IRS trained and certified volunteer income tax preparers
 - **CCTV** – Services for the visually impaired; a video magnifier is available to assist in reading mail, bills, prescription information and other printed documents
 - **NOVA NET Access** – Computer lab is open daily for public access for Nova Net



Child Care/Recreation - continued

- **Sickle Cell office of record** – personnel responsible counsels clients and makes referrals to the appropriate agency
- **GED** classes for individuals 16 years of age and older who desire a diploma

Domestic Violence

The Haven of RCS

Hotline:
727-442-4128 (24/7)
Outreach:
727-441-2029

TTY (Hard of Hearing phone line) 727-446-2148

www.rcspinellas.org

- Emergency Safe House, for women and children
- **Outreach Services:** support groups for women and children, counseling for women, men, and children, legal advocacy, 911 cell phones
- All services are free, bilingual/Spanish services available

Education

Brooker Creek Elementary School 727-943-4600

www.pcsb.org

3131 Forelock Road
Tarpon Springs, Florida

East Lake High School 727-942-5419

www.pcsb.org

1300 Silver Eagle Drive
Tarpon Springs, Florida

First United Methodist Church 727-937-3271

www.fumctarponsprings.org

501 East Tarpon Avenue
Tarpon Springs, Florida

- Tutoring available for youth, Mondays, 3-5 p.m., based on school referral
- Free backpacks with supplies are distributed before start of school year

Saint Petersburg College 727-341-4472

www.spcollege.edu

600 East Klosterman Road
Tarpon Springs, Florida

- College provides guidance to new and existing students

Sunset Hills Elementary School 727-943-5523

www.pcsb.org

1347 Gulf Road
Tarpon Springs, Florida

Tarpon Springs Elementary School 727-943-5500

www.pcsb.org

555 East Pine Street
Tarpon Springs, Florida