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To: The Honorable Student Body of the University of South Florida Tampa Campus

From: Student Government Leadership Subject: Week of September 14<sup>th</sup> Updates

Date: September 18<sup>th</sup>, 2020

This week's update for the Federal and Local Student Government is as follows:

## **Federal Student Government**

- We hired our Chief Marketing Officer: Nicoletta Freer!
- Exploring the possibility of starting a Mentor Program for students with the USF Alumni Association.
- We are having our first Student Government Advisory Board meeting next week!
- Working with the counseling center on the possibility of funding a new mental health support program.
- We have secured Legal Aid for Tampa & St. Pete. We are in the process of getting it for Sarasota-Manatee.

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## **Local Student Government**

- Met with other USF campus SG leaders and the Director of the Counseling Center to discuss funding for a new mental health platform.
- Finalizing a renewed Memorandum of Agreement between SG, SAFE Team, and UPD due to the expiration of the previous one.
- Met with Sam Rechek, the Director of Team University, to discuss the adaptation of the S & Z student entrepreneurship fair initiative into a catalog featuring student entrepreneurs.
- Spencer and Zach were interviewed by a USF Tampa campus student for a broadcast journalism class project.
- Met with Dean McDonald and received updates on university affairs.
- Assessed the SG budget and all other pertinent fiscal matters in monthly finance briefing led by Jessica Senatus, the Tampa Deputy Financial Officer.
- Crafting an email to students for National Voter Registration Day and discussing other ways to engage students in the democratic process with the CLCE and FL PIRG.
- Held our Tampa Executive Cabinet Meeting and met with Federal Executive leadership to update one another.
- Student Government met with the leadership of Black Student Union and Administration to discuss updated plans regarding a Black Student Success Space, Anti-Racist and Bias Training, and the increasing availability of Food Insecurity Meal Swipes.
- After weeks of continuous planning and reflective discussion, our Assistant Director of Diversity & Wellness, Alexis Roberson is preparing for the implementation of the Student Government Diversity Council as applications open on September 28th.

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