

WELCOME TO

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TAMPA, FL

On behalf of Davis Islands residents, I would like to personally congratulate you on your move to our beautiful community.

Islands life is truly special, offering residents a variety of outdoor activities, local shops/eateries and community events to experience. As a resident of Davis Islands you will enjoy all of the benefits of living in close proximity to downtown Tampa, while at the same time delighting in a relaxed and laid-back lifestyle that only Davis Islands offers.

Now that you are an “Islander” I invite you to experience first-hand the great community we have to offer as well as learn a little more about our history. This welcome packet contains useful information that I believe will help you both settle in and get involved in Islands life.

In closing, I hope you enjoy living on Davis Islands and I look forward to meeting you at either one of our many events or around the community.

Kind regards,

Cristan Fadal
Broker Associate
Century 21 Fisher & Associates | Davis Islands
Resident since '05

important numbers

TECO (Tampa Electric)	(813) 223-0800
Bright House Cable & Internet	(813) 289-8988
Frontier FiOS Cable & Internet	(888) 881-8161
City of Tampa Water & Trash	(813) 348-1111
Tampa Police Department	(813) 231-6130
Tampa Fire Rescue	(813) 274-7011
U.S. Postal Service	(800) 275-8777
Tampa General Hospital	(813) 844-7000
Hillsborough County Public Schools	(813) 272-4000
Publix Supermarket	(813) 251-1173

neighborhood amenities

A special part of Davis Islands life is the number of amenities in our backyard. Here is a list we have found useful.

Marjorie Park Yacht Basin – public marina and picnic area
(813) 259-1604 | 97 Columbia Dr | ampagov.net

Sandra Freedman Tennis Complex – beautiful public clay courts on the water
(813) 259-1664 | 59 Columbia Dr | tampagov.net

US Postal Service Outpost
(813) 254-1888 | 232 East Davis Blvd | davisislandspharmacy.com

Tampa General Hospital
(813) 251-7000 | 1 Tampa General Cir | tgh.org

Seaplane Basin Park – field, picnic area, dog park & beach and boat ramps
(813) 274-8615 | 864 Severn Ave | ampagov.net

Peter O Knight Airport – municipal light-aircraft field
(813) 251-1752 | 825 Severn Ave | tampaairport.com

Davis Islands Multi-Use Trail - West side of Peter O Knight Airport field, then through Seaplane Basin Park

Davis Islands Yacht Club
(813) 251-1158 | 1315 Severn Ave | diyc.org

Davis Islands Garden Club
81 Columbia Dr | digclub.org

Roy Jenkins Pool & Community Playground
(813) 259-1896 | 154 & 157 Columbia Dr | tampagov.net

Bayshore Little League Baseball Fields
181 Columbia Dr | bsll.org

Seaborn Day School
(813) 253-3969 | 30 Davis Blvd | eaborndayschools.com

Hudson Manor Assisted Living
(813) 254-8399 | 115 E Davis Blvd | hudson-manor.com

Islands Directory

DINING

Anchor Bar.....	(813) 489-4573
DI Coffee.....	(813) 915-5998
Farrells on the Island	(813) 251-8877
Fountain Med & Sushi	(813) 251-4600
Grecian Island	(813) 251-2222
Islands Pizza	(813) 254-5818
Margaritas	(813) 251-0558
Molly Malone's.....	(813) 304-2777
Oggi.....	(813)252-7778
Plum Tree.....	(813)251-1383
Tasty Roots	(813) 613-3322
Subway.....	(813) 259-0253
TeBella Tea.....	(813) 254-1212
Thai Island.....	(813) 251-9111
Zigi Café.....	(813) 546-5242
220 East.....	(813) 259-1220

GOODS & SERVICES

Body by Design Personal Trainers.....	(813)254-9904
Davis Islands Animal Clinic.....	(813) 251-4384
Davis Islands Eyebrow & Beauty Salon.....	(813) 258-6699
Davis Islands Pharmacy.....	(813) 254-1888
Pioneer Cleaners.....	(813)253-3323
Serendipity.....	(813) 254-1535
Studio Cabello.....	(813) 259-9977
T & L Nails.....	(813) 259-9920
Wag Natural Pet Market.....	(813) 258-9181

islands history

Over centuries, a natural archipelago formed where the Hillsborough River met Hillsborough Bay. These islands came to be known as Big and Little Grassy Key, where Fort Brooke served as the first permanent settlement in the early 1800s. During the 1920s land boom, developer David Paul (D.P.) Davis had a vision to transform the islands into a resort paradise.

In 1924, Davis bought the rights to the archipelago, held by the City of Tampa and three private land speculators. His company dredged land from Hillsborough Bay to shape three large islands connected by bridges.

Reinforced concrete seawalls held the new islands in form. To appease Tampa residents concerned with new development in the bay, Davis deeded 55 acres of the islands' east side to the city for municipal and park uses.



Davis had a vision for the islands to be a romantic Venetian paradise. An entertainment coliseum, golf course and country club, and luxury hotels were developed to attract seasonal tourists and permanent residents alike. After Davis's mysterious death aboard a European yacht in 1926, the Islands' resort focus shifted toward permanent housing. The coliseum was destroyed by fire in 1967 and the golf course was later bought by developers to build more housing. Peter O Knight added fill to the Islands' south end to create an airport. And the hotels were converted over the years to apartments and senior housing.

Although the specifics of Davis's plan have changed over time, the Islands still maintain their original character: a resort-like, water-oriented community. The bustling D.I. Village provides convenience, dining, and entertainment options to Island residents. Over 5000 people now call Davis Islands home. Further, the Islands are recognized as some of the most sought-after real estate along Florida's west coast, with home prices commanding premiums over most in the area. Residents are proud to call the Islands home, and they continue to fight passionately to preserve their community's atmosphere for future generations.

stay updated

There are a number of ways to stay updated on what is happening on Davis Islands. Below is a list of important entities and sites you can join to become a part of the Islands community.



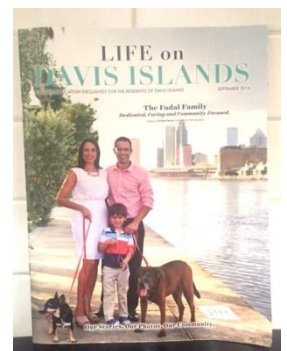
The Davis Islands Civic Association is the main community organization that focuses on improving quality of life on Davis Islands. For more information visit DICIVIC.org

Nextdoor.com- Davis Islands is a private social network for only Davis Islands residents. This site allows residents to communicate extensively on important Islands issues, events, crime, classifieds and community. Join today by going to Nextdoor.com/DavisIslands.



The Davis Islands Garden Club is a nonprofit organization whose goal is to promote the beautification of Davis Islands. For more information visit DIGCLUB.com

Read "Life on Davis Islands" magazine, a complementary publication delivered to your door monthly. This high quality magazine provides a spotlight on Islands residents, businesses, and Islands stories.



This monthly eCommunication keeps residents updated on issues, events, and activities in our neighborhood. To subscribe email: cristanfadal@yahoo.com



volunteer opportunities

Getting involved in our community is a great way to not only help our others but to meet other Islands and off Islands residents. Here are a list of events, activities and organizations you can volunteer with



Ronald McDonald House Charities: Tampa Bay

The mission of Ronald McDonald House Charities (RMHC) is to create, find and support programs that directly improve the health and well-being of children. The RMHC is located directly on Davis Islands at 35 Davis Blvd. For a complete list of volunteer opportunities visit rmhctampabay.org. or contact Janice Davis at (813) 258-6430 ext 1

Davis Islands Annual Toy Drive

This annual event occurs in early December is always seeking volunteers to help in the collection, promotion and distribution of holiday gifts for boys and girls. Additionally, you can volunteer to have a Santa Stop at your Islands home. For more information visit facebook.com/DIToyDrive/



Halloween in the Village

This fantastic annual event occurs at the end of October and is a great place for kid and pets of all ages to trick or treat in a safe environment. This event is primarily sponsored by Islands businesses and occurs in the DI business district. For more information on how you can volunteer email Jenn Fadal at info@wagoftampa.com

Coastal Cleanup

Since we have the wonderful benefit of being surrounded by water, we also have the responsibility of keeping our community clean. Twice a year (March and Sept.) in coordination with "Keep Tampa Bay Beautiful" we focus on cleaning our shores.





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Thank you for taking the time to read this Welcome Packet. I hope that you have found it informative and useful in the future.

When my family and I moved to Davis Islands in 2005 we were seeking opportunities to get involved, meet people and learn about our community. At that time there was limited outreach from within the community to provide new residents.

I compiled this Welcome Packet in the hopes that you can immediately have insight on your new community as well as see first hand the variety of opportunities you have to become more involved.

As you may have guessed I am a South Tampa real estate agent with a specialty on Davis Islands homes. In the future if you ever have questions on our community please feel free to reach out and ask.

In closing I hope that you will enjoy living on Davis Islands as much as my family and I do.

Best Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Cristan". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "C".

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Please Join Your Davis Islands Civic Association

The Mission of the Davis Islands Civic Association is to provide effective leadership on issues important to residents in a manner that protects and enhances the quality of life of the Davis Islands community.

Please complete form and mail it with your check payable to **Davis Islands Civic Association**.

ANNUAL DUES:

____ New Member \$ 35.00 (per Household)
____ Renewing Member

OTHER - Optional \$ _____ (Donation supports Association's annual events such as Ice Cream Social & Fall Celebration)

TOTAL \$ _____

NAME:

ADDRESS:

PHONE: _____

E-MAIL: _____

PLEASE CHECK ANY COMMITTEES ON WHICH YOU WOULD LIKE TO SERVE:

____ Events/Social ____ Building Tomorrow ____ Parks/Green Initiatives
____ Traffic Safety ____ Newsletter ____ Membership
____ Neighborhood Watch

**MAIL TO: Davis Islands Civic Association
 P.O. Box 1835, Tampa, FL 33601
 Attn: Membership Committee**