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PHYSICAL PLANT PLAN

The Physical Plant Division is an integral part of the USF St. Petersburg educational enterprise. The Division's primary mission is to maintain and improve a physical environment conducive to teaching, learning and research. To this end, the Physical Plant Division is responsible for the operation, cleaning, maintenance and repair of the educational buildings, utilities and grounds of the University campus.

Physical Plant also assists Facilities Planning in inspections and approving new construction and renovations. We maintain 46.5 acres of grounds with 21 buildings and 3000 feet of seawall. Also maintained are 2600 tons of chiller equipment and 450hp of boilers, which are controlled by a Trane Summit EMS System. We work with the USF Environmental Health and Safety for guidance in safety training, hazardous and biological waste materials, asbestos, air quality, life safety, water quality and the corresponding local, state and federal agencies.

The campus utilizes a preventive maintenance and work order system and takes pride in responding with immediate action as often as possible. The actual work is generated by several methods:

Inspections – All area supervisors, senior supervisors and the coordinator are responsible for inspecting their work areas weekly and generate work orders.

Campus Community – Submit work orders that are prioritized.

Periodic Maintenance – Computer generated work requests on all equipment.

Emergencies – Work orders are not necessary for immediate action.

Routine Daily Tasks – Required by job description or as directed by area supervisor.

To perform and supervise these tasks, Physical Plant employs 20.5 custodial staff and two grounds/set-up personnel on staff. The grounds department is largely outsourced, including mowing, edging, weeding, application of herbicides and pesticides. The building maintenance and utilities maintenance departments have a total of 14 employees and the administrative office has three employees.

The overall strategy of the Physical Plant Division is to continue to diligently improve the quality of our services by inspection, training, and supervision of our work force to be effective, timely and efficient. We continually seek ways to reduce costs so that the fiscal burden of higher education is lessened for the students and taxpayers.

In addition to the routine operations of the Physical Plant Division in maintaining the campus buildings, grounds, and equipment, the campus also has developed a 5-year plan for addressing critical, deferred, and other operational maintenance projects. This plan projects maintenance needs including funding requirements

for: building systems, central utility systems, special systems (energy conservation), and campus systems e.g., road systems and drainage.