

## New USF Software Application

A new software application called FAMIS will be replacing the current work order and space management systems across USF. The new system is currently being implemented and went live on Monday, February 3. During the implementation process, access to the development system will be provided to Building Supervisors and other areas to allow testing and feedback. For the Tampa campus, FAMIS will be replacing FACNET and IFIS. The existing software is being replaced because it is outdated and is no longer being supported.

With the new system, employees will be able to submit all work requests (paying and non-paying) directly into FAMIS instead of filling out a PDF form on the FM website. The new software will also support Parking and Transportation Services. FAMIS provides a process to report issues at parking lots, bus shelters and bus stops. PATS may also utilize FAMIS for internal vehicle maintenance.

All employees should become familiar with using the FAMIS software. Facilities Management will be providing User Training Sessions. The FM Service Center staff is also be readily available to answer any questions regarding the software change.

If you would like more information on how the new FAMIS software will work, visit [bit.ly/FAMISinfo](http://bit.ly/FAMISinfo).



On the Job: Gary Shadwick pictured in the Vehicle Shop doing maintenance on a university-owned lawn mower.

## Reminders

▶ OAS Town Hall will be held in the MSC Oval Theater on **February 11** at 10 am, 2 pm, and 6:30 pm

▶ USF Transportation Day will be held **February 27** on Holly Drive

▶ Do you have ideas that will improve OAS? Send them to [OASCommPillar@usf.edu](mailto:OASCommPillar@usf.edu)

## Fundraising for the Faculty and Staff Campaign

The USF Faculty and Staff campaign is a fundraising effort that allows USF employees to make a gift to the area of their choice. Employees can choose to directly support an area anywhere in the USF system that they are passionate about. These gifts make a lasting impact on various areas at USF.

holiday season. The donation requested was one dollar for every two gifts that were wrapped.



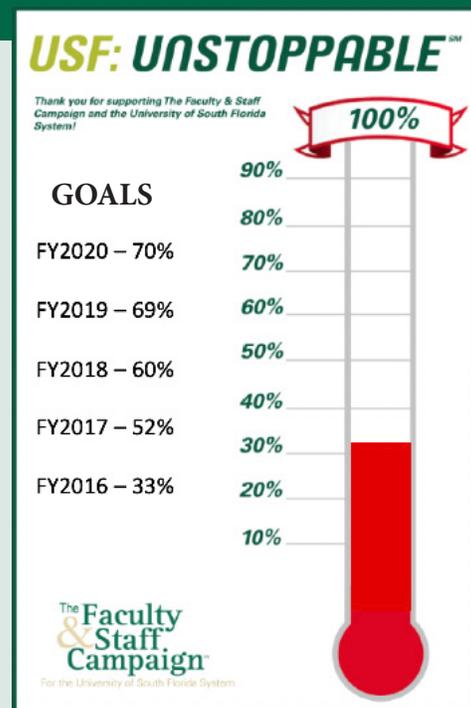
Devanshi Tank, Wayne Wilcox, and Boniswa Joseph shown wrapping gifts.

For the 2020 fiscal year, the goal for OAS employee participation in the Faculty and Staff campaign is 70% or greater. Currently, 33% of OAS employees have donated. The minimum contribution is \$1, and that's all you have to donate to increase OAS participation. If you would like more information on the campaign and the areas you can donate, or would like to donate online, visit [giving.usf.edu/how/faculty-staff](http://giving.usf.edu/how/faculty-staff).



Gifts wrapped during OAS Gift Wrapping Days.

This year, the Office of Administrative Services held two Gift Wrapping Days as a way to fundraise for the campaign. Employees from OAS volunteered to wrap gifts for anyone that needed some help during the



The infographic above shows the current OAS employee participation in the Faculty and Staff Campaign.

## Downtown MCOM and Heart Institute Building Completed

The building that has been in the works for nearly five years officially opened on January 8. The new 13-story USF Health Morsani College of Medicine and Heart Institute is located in the Water Street Tampa Wellness district. The building will transform the way students learn medicine, from the adjustable physical classrooms to the new hardware and software being used.



Steve Lafferty, Director of Design and Construction, speaking to a group of people when the MCOM Building was still under construction.

Some key components to the MCOM building are adaptability and experiential learning. Research has shown that adults only have a 20 minute attention span, and therefore, do not benefit from 1-2 hour long lectures. The MCOM is reducing lecture time and instead focusing on active learning. For example, students might listen to a twenty minute lecture on stress and then move to stations to learn hands-on how stress affects the body. The adaptability of the classrooms makes this learning style easier. All classroom furniture is on wheels, so a lecture hall can be transformed into a classroom where students can work in

small groups within minutes. Steve Lafferty, USF Director of Design and Construction, says this “gives faculty the ability to teach what they need to teach in the best ways and in the best environment”, which ultimately leads to better learning. Now that the doubling time for new medical knowledge has accelerated to once every few months, it is important for the curriculum taught to medical students to also be flexible. In the MCOM/Hi building, they’re focusing on teaching how to research and learn, rather than just teaching how to memorize information.

The MCOM and HI building not only affects the way medical students learn, but also leads to other areas finding better ways to teach their students. As Steve Lafferty says it is a beautiful building, but more importantly, it is an incredible learning tool.



Street view of the completed 13-story MCOM and HI building downtown

## Welcoming New Additions

**Tony Espinosa**, Transit Bus Driver  
Parking and Transportation Services

## Retirements

**Theresa Paterson** (12 years)  
Custodial Worker  
Facilities Management

## Anniversaries January 2020

### Facilities Management

Meica Elridge	35
Elizabeth Casey	18
Raymond Curbelo	15
John Greiff	15
Devon Samuels	14
Adrienne Lynch-Elms	11
Tamara Tidwell	11
Christopher Ilse	10
Michael Ballester	9
Robert Geschardt	5
Thomas Bradley	3
Lawrence Miller	2
Zachary Romano	2
Kevin Walker	2
Benjamin Williams	2
Joan Fajardo	2

### Parking & Transportation Services

John Luksas	4
Patricia Woodard	4

### Businesss Center

Clifton James	14
Julie McCoy	11

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