Tampa, FL

[ALT TEXT: The image shows graffiti on a brick wall with the words “City of Tampa” and illustrations of local landmarks.]
Welcome!
Welcome to warm, wonderful Tampa! We are confident that the information provided as part of this guide will help to make your visit more accessible and enjoyable. There is much to see in the area and it is our goal to ensure that as many people as possible get to experience Tampa.

We have attempted to address many accessibility issues that attendees should find useful. There may be questions or needs that have not been addressed here. Please feel free to contact us so that we may address your concerns individually.

Signed,
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AT THE CONFERENCE

The Committee on Disability Issues in College Composition and the local Accessibility Committee are committed to making the CCCC accessible for all attendees. If you need to request accommodations such as sign language interpreting or Computer Assisted Real Time Captioning that may require advance planning on the part of NCTE/CCCC staff, please contact Sue Gallivan at 217-278-3675 or sgallivan@ncte.org.

While this guide focuses on many aspects of the physical locations of the conference and getting around the city of Tampa, this commitment to making CCCC accessible for all attendees extends beyond that. Another dimension of access involves ensuring that presentations themselves are accessible to all conference attendees. Much more information about accessibility measures for presentations can be found at the Composing Access website (http://composingaccess.net/), which includes a number of documents and videos with ideas for how to enhance accessibility in conference presentations. We strongly encourage all conference attendees to review these suggestions in planning presentations in all formats.

If you know of a conference presenter who is not aware of the Composing Access website, please share the site with them so that more CCCC presentations are accessible for all attendees.

Access Table

The CCCC Access table will be located at table 400, right next to the Newcomer’s table (table 401) in the Exhibit Room. Volunteers will be available during regular conference hours to offer assistance with mobility and other access issues, including but not limited to solving problems with space or sound or scent or lighting, helping conference attendees navigate from session to session, and connecting attendees to resources.

Quiet Rooms

The Quiet Rooms will be located in Convention Center Room 17 and at the Marriott Waterside Hotel behind the small registration desk on the second floor. Quiet rooms are intended to provide a quiet, calm space where convention attendees can spend time away from the noise, lights, and other stimuli of conference spaces. The quiet rooms are not available for conversations or meetings. The quiet rooms are available as lactation rooms.
ARRIVING AT THE TAMPA AIRPORT

Tampa International Airport (Code: TPA)
4100 George J. Bean Parkway
Tampa, FL 33607

Directions Using Google Maps (https://goo.gl/maps/eGqqr)

Airport Information: (813) 870-8700
Airport Police: (813) 870-8760
Traveler’s Aid: (813) 870-8797

Accessibility Services Available at the Airport

The Tampa International Airport states:

“Tampa International Airport, in compliance with federal and state laws and regulations, including the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA) and the Florida Americans with Disability Accessibility Requirements found in Sections 503 of the Florida Statutes, does not discriminate on the basis of disability in administration of its aviation related programs and activities.”

Please visit Tampa International Airport’s Accessibility Services page (http://www.tampaairport.com/about/guest_services/disabled-travelers.asp) for information. Below you will find shortened versions of the services provided.

Wheelchair assistance is available from each airline’s curbside or ticket counter locations. It is recommended that wheelchair service is booked in advance, though this service is still available at check-in without a reservation. To make a reservation, request wheelchair assistance when booking a ticket with your respective airline.

Elevators are located near entrances and exits to easy access to all areas, such as terminals, baggage claim, parking, and airside transfer level.

A shuttle transportation system is provided for traveling between the main terminal and the aircraft gate areas. The shuttle system is located on the third floor of the main terminal and is ADA compliant.

All public restrooms are wheelchair accessible. “Companion restrooms” are also offered throughout the airport and are equipped for users with disabilities. These restrooms are designated with the wheelchair accessible symbol.
TTY/TTD telephones are provided throughout the airport and are marked with the internationally recognized TTY/TTD symbol. For further assistance, it is possible to contact the Florida Relay service from any telephone for directory assistance:

- 800-955-8770 (voice)
- 800-955-8771 (TTY)

The Florida Relay Service offers communication assistance for those who are Deaf, Hard of Hearing, Deaf/Blind, or Speech Disabled. Through the Florida Relay Service, people who use specialized telephone equipment can communicate with people who use standard telephone equipment.

- Phone or Text: 7 1 1
- Web: http://www.ftri.org/FloridaRelay

Relief areas for service animals are offered in the vicinity of the airside, baggage claim, and departure areas. For assistance locating relief areas, please ask airport personnel.

**TSA Help Line**

TSA has a “TSA Help Line” (http://www.tsa.gov/traveler-information/travelers-disabilities-and-medical-conditions) to assist travelers planning to fly on any airline in the United States. TSA Cares is a help line to assist travelers with disabilities and medical conditions. TSA recommends that passengers call **72 hours ahead of travel** for information about what to expect during screening. Travelers may call TSA Cares toll free at **1-855-787-2227** prior to traveling with questions about screening policies, procedures and what to expect at the security checkpoint. TSA Cares will serve as an additional, dedicated resource specifically for passengers with disabilities, medical conditions or other circumstances or their loved ones who want to prepare for the screening process prior to flying.

Travelers may also request a **Passenger Support Specialist** ahead of time by calling the TSA Cares hotline at **1-855-787-2227**. The hours of operation for the TSA Cares Help Line are Monday through Friday 8a.m –11p.m. EST and weekends and Holidays 9a.m.– 8p.m. EST. Travelers who are deaf or hard of hearing can use a relay service to contact TSA Cares or can e-mail **TSA-ContactCenter@dhs.gov**. When a passenger with a disability or medical condition calls **TSA Cares**, a representative will provide assistance, either with information about screening that is relevant to the passenger’s specific disability or medical condition, or the passenger may be referred to disability experts at TSA.
GETTING TO YOUR HOTEL

Multiple options for ground transportation are available at the Tampa airport:

**Taxis**
Yellow Cab (813-253-0121) and United (813-777-7777) are equipped with wheelchair lifts. If you are in need of this service, you can request an equipped taxi upon arrival at the baggage claim Ground Transportation area. Drivers will also assist patrons with luggage. Minimum fare from the airport is $15. There is a flat rate of $25 from the airport to downtown Tampa. For a list of common destinations and their mileage, refer to the [following list of taxi destinations available here](http://www.google.com/url?q=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.tampaairport.com%2Fground_transportation%2Ftaxi_services.asp&sa=D&sntz=1&usg=AFQjCNGufxFWQoOnhuXX1gP9S9ZJX46tdw).

**SuperShuttle**
SuperShuttle offers vans with wheelchair lifts. Wheelchair accessible vans can be requested at the Ground Transportation kiosk located in the baggage claim area. To contact SuperShuttle for a reservation, call 727-572-1111.

SuperShuttle offers two different transportation services equipped with wheelchair access from the Tampa airport to the downtown area: (1) Shared Ride Van Service and (2) Exclusive Non-Stop Van Service. The following is a service and price list. The prices, however, are subject to change. For the most accurate price listings, contact SuperShuttle at the number listed above.

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To make a reservation in advance, call 727-572-1111 or visit the [SuperShuttle website](http://www.supershuttle.com).

**Car Rentals**
With advanced notice, most rental car companies will provide rental cars equipped with hand controls. For a complete list of rental car services offered from the Tampa airport, refer to the following rental car webpage (http://www.tampaairport.com/ground_transportation/rental_car_services.asp).

Wheelers Van Rental offers accessible van rentals with pick-up at Tampa International Airport.
Public Transportation
The Hillsborough Area Regional Transit (HART) is located at the East end of the red baggage claim, at the curbside adjacent to baggage belt #15. HART provides transit service throughout the Tampa area and is fully accessible to people using a wheelchair or motorized scooter.
- Call HART: 813-254-4278
- HART’s maps and schedules (http://www.gohart.org/routes/maps-schedules.html)

Summary
All of the aforementioned transportation options are accessible from the baggage claim level. Click here for a complete map of this level (http://www.tampaairport.com/maps/baggage_claim_map.asp).

CONFERENCE HOTEL: TAMPA MARRIOTT WATERSIDE
It is an approximately 15 minute drive from the Tampa International Airport to the downtown Tampa area, including the Tampa Marriott Waterside and Marina hotel and the Tampa Convention Center.

Overall Accessibility
The Tampa Marriott Waterside is committed to accessibility, offering a number of accommodations and working with guests to meet all their needs. We talked with several hotel staff members about accessibility, and all were knowledgeable about existing accessibility aids and services and vocal about their willingness to meet any guest’s needs.

The front desk and housekeeping managers we spoke with both expressed their commitment to providing accommodations for conference-goers and hotel guests. They said that they frequently work with guests ahead of time to address accessibility needs, and that they are open to discussing these needs with guests ahead of arrival or during their stay.

The Tampa Convention Center is ADA compliant, including braille and visual signage compliant. There are accessible routes to meeting rooms, guest rooms, and hotel amenities such as restaurants, pool, and fitness center. The temperature differential between inside and outside is likely to be large during March, when average temperature highs in Tampa are in the high 70s and low 80s.
The hotel lobby has a marble floor, which may be slick when wet. There are also large rugs in the lobby area, some of which have a relatively deep pile. There is loud music piped into the lobby area, which is high-ceilinged and echoes somewhat.

Most of the hotel is carpeted. Carpets are firm, with not too deep of a pile. Guest rooms are all carpeted. Patterns vary, with some louder than others:
[ALT TEXT: This image shows the floor of a hallway leading to a set of the Waterfront Marriott’s restrooms. The floor is covered in ornate carpeting.]

Service animals are welcome, and there are grassy areas in front of the main hotel entrance where animals can relieve themselves.
There is also a grassy area where animals can relieve themselves across Franklin St. outside the Channel Entry entrance to the Tampa Convention Center, next to the Sail Pavilion. The area has waste pick-up bags and trash cans.

The hotel has two wheelchairs available for guest use.

**Drop-Off, Pick-Up, and Building Access**
The Marriott does not offer a hotel-specific shuttle from the airport. It is about a 15-20 minute drive by taxi, SuperShuttle, and rental cars to the hotel from the airport.
The Marriott offers both self-service and valet parking. Self-service parking is available across the street from the hotel, in the city-owned South Regional Parking Garage. The South Regional Parking Garage, on 301 Channelside Drive, has accessible parking. The garage has elevators and marked walkways and is about a short city-block away from the main hotel entrance.

If you would like to drop off your baggage before parking in the South Regional Garage’s accessible parking, the Marriott valets will watch your car in front of the hotel entrance. Self-parking in the South Regional Garage costs $9.50 per day. Valet parking costs $24 per day.

There is also limited street parking available closer to the hotel entrance on Old Water St.

There are two ways to enter the Marriott: 1) the main entrance on Old Water St. and 2) a back entrance on Channelside. The front entrance on Old Water St. has a large revolving door with a push button to slow its rotation. There is also a hinged door with no push button.

[ALT TEXT: The image shows the large revolving door and the push button located on the right side of it.]
The second entrance to the hotel is from Channelside. A walkway runs along the backside of the hotel between the building and a stretch of water. The walkway can be accessed from the Riverwalk that also runs past the channel side of the Tampa Convention Center. From Channelside, there are steps as well as a ramp that lead up to the lobby of the Marriott hotel. The ramp has several turns in it.

[ALT TEXT: The image shows a long cement ramp with a handrail on the left side and a low concrete wall running along both sides.]

Room Accessibility
The Marriott has numerous accessible guest rooms. All accessible guest rooms have 32” wide doorways and push buttons for the door.
ALT TEXT: The image shows an interior view of the door into an accessible guest room. A wall runs to the left of the door and an opening in the wall leads into the main area of the guest room.

ALT TEXT: The image shows a button to the right of a door handle, labeled “Room for Handicapped.” Below the button, the text reads “Please depress button for 5 seconds.”
All accessible guest room bathtubs have grab bars.

[ALT TEXT: The image shows a bathtub with a single grab bar at the opposite end from the shower head. There are two grab bars mounted along the long side of the bathtub.]

Some bathrooms have roll-in showers and wall-mounted folding shower seats.
The rooms also have separate strobe lights to indicate telephone calls and emergencies. The phone light is above the bed’s headboard and the emergency strobe light is above the desk and mirror in the main portion of the room.

The doorways onto the balconies in the accessible guest rooms have a several-inches tall sliding-door track blocking the access route from room to balcony.
[ALT TEXT: The image shows a sliding door out onto a guest room balcony. The sliding door opens only narrowly, and the track for the door rises several inches tall from the floor, blocking direct access to the balcony. There is a small table with two chairs on the balcony, and it has a railing about 4 feet high.]

Rooms on the 16th and 17th floors are all allergy-free. Cleaning products used in these rooms are all scent-free, and there are no feather pillows or other common sources of allergens. Accessible guest rooms are available on both of these floors.

TTY services are available in accessible guest rooms.

If accessible guest rooms are full or an accessible room does not meet particular accommodation needs, the hotel engineers will make accommodations to your room as requested.

The hotel will supply fans and fridges to guest rooms on request. There is a microwave available for use 24/7 at the front desk in the lobby. Washers and dryers are also available for free use by guests.
**Restrooms**

Restrooms in the main conference area have push doors. Restrooms have accessible stalls with grab bars and lowered sinks in the stalls. The main restroom doors and stall doors are of standard width.

One of the accessible restrooms in the main conference area will be designated as a gender-neutral restroom, with appropriate signage.

[ALT TEXT: The image shows a large framed entrance leading to a short hallway off the main corridor. The restroom entrances are to the right.]
Conference Area
The Marriott conference area is on the second floor of the hotel. The hallways, meeting rooms, and ballrooms are all carpeted. The second floor can be accessed by escalator or by elevator. A set of escalators and an elevator are both located to the rear left of the hotel lobby main entrance on Old Water St. A second elevator bank is located to the
right of the lobby, near the main desk. Access to the rear-left escalators and elevator requires passing gathering areas in the lobby and around entrances to the hotel bar and several restaurants.

Common Areas
The hotel lobby has a marble floor, which may be slick when wet. There are also large rugs in the lobby area, some of which have a relatively deep pile. There is loud music piped into the lobby area, which is high-ceilinged and echoes somewhat. Seating in the lobby varies in height and firmness.

The spa and fitness areas have accessible entrances. There is a lift to the pool entrance. Spa, fitness room, and pool doors do not have push-button access. The doors to the pool are fairly heavy and difficult to open.

The pool has a self-operated lift. In the pool area, there is a bar and you can order food.

Emergency Procedures
Hotel security is notified of accessible room occupancy in case of emergency.
Restaurants and Bars
The restaurants and bars in the Marriott can cook to various dietary specifications, including vegetarian, vegan, and gluten-free. The Marriott staff confirmed that their chefs are sensitive to dietary needs.

SECOND CONFERENCE HOTEL: WESTIN HARBOUR ISLAND
The Westin Tampa Harbour Island states that it has disability accessible facilities. Conference attendees can contact the hotel for more information by emailing Robert Eubank at robert.eubank@westintampaharbourisland.com.

THIRD CONFERENCE HOTEL: EMBASSY SUITES TAMPA
The Embassy Suites Tampa offers a number of accessible rooms to guests. Information about Embassy Suites accessible rooms can be found here (http://embassysuites3.hilton.com/en/hotels/florida/embassy-suites-tampa-downtown-convention-center-TPAESES/accommodations/accessible.html).

CONVENTION CENTER

Overall Accessibility
The Tampa Convention Center is ADA compliant, including braille and visual signage compliant. Tampa Convention Center utilizes Florida Relay Service (1-800-955-8771) to meet the needs of all TTY users. There is no music piped in to Convention Center. The indoor temperature is typically held at 72-73 degrees; this is likely to be significantly different from outdoor temperature, at least during the middle of the day. All Conference events and activities will take place on the first floor of the Convention Center.

The Convention Center Operations team uses Green Seal cleaning products, which have no BOCs, perfumes, or dyes.

Carpets are firm, with not too deep of a pile. Patterns vary, with some louder than others:
[ALT TEXT: This image shows the carpet of Tampa Convention Center’s ballroom. A sedate blue pattern alternates with large squares of carpet covered with a busy stylized yellow pattern.]

[ALT TEXT: This image shows the Tampa Convention Center’s center hallway. The carpet features repeating diagonal lines; alternating wavy blue lines, thin diagonal yellow and white lines, and a busy pattern of triangles and wavy lines.]

Service animals are welcome, and there is a grassy area with pick-up bags and trash cans outside the Channel Entry, across the shuttle drop-off drive, next to the Sail Pavilion, where animals can relieve themselves.
Building Access

There are two primary entrances to the first floor of the Tampa Convention Center: (1) the Channel Entrance; and (2) the Franklin Street Entrance. Neither entrance has steps. The Channel Entrance is a slightly narrower entrance than the Franklin Street Entrance. From the Marriott Waterside, there is a ramped and relatively wide, smooth walkway route along the waterfront to the Channel Entrance. There are automatic sliding doors at both the Channel Entrance and the Franklin Street Entrance. For more details about the entrances’ locations, see the PDF of the Tampa Convention Center map.
ALT TEXT: One of the Convention Center’s accessible parking lots is shown. The foreground is dominated by the accessible parking area; an open area with medians to the left and right of center-frame, where a sign designates the parking lot as accessible. In the right-background of the image is an expansive, open aired entrance to the Convention Center. To the left and right of the Convention Center’s entrance, stairs and escalators lead visitors to the second floor.]
ALT TEXT: This image shows the Franklin Street entrance to the Convention Center. A large black sign over the entrance reads “Tampa Convention Center” in white lettering with a white light-up display beneath the wording. Behind the trees and signage three tall square columns mark the Convention Center entrance, behind which stand the building’s glass doors and windows. A long, flat walkway lines the side of the Convention Center along Franklin Street.

The Channel Entrance may be busier than the Franklin Street Entrance, as the Convention Center’s snack bar and coffee shop is just inside the Channel Entrance:
ALT TEXT: Tampa Convention Center’s side entrance and its wide-open tile spaces are shown brightly lit. Large glass windows and doors stretch from right center-frame to the background. Large potted palms line the center of the corridor. A large directional sign with white lettering hang from an arch in the corridor ceiling.]
Two other building access points are Room 7 and a 2nd floor skywalk from the Embassy Suites. Room 7 has ramp access from outside on the Riverwalk side of the Convention Center. The room will likely be frequently in use for conference panels and other events. The 2nd floor skywalk is accessible from inside the Embassy Suites, which is located directly across Franklin St. from the Convention Center. In the Convention Center, there is an elevator to the first floor on the Riverwalk side of the building, and there is a freight elevator at the far end of the Riverwalk side hallway. However, the freight elevator is not accessible from the 2nd floor of the Convention Center.
Parking
There are two (2) first-come, first-serve accessible spaces in front of the Channel Entry to the Convention Center:

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Primary parking can be found at the [Tampa Convention Center Garage](http://www.tampagov.net/parking/programs/garages-and-lots/tampa-convention-center-garage). This is self-parking only. There are no elevators. From this garage, conference attendees must cross one street outdoors at a light to access the Convention Center.
through the Franklin St. entrance. The cost for parking at this garage is $1.60/hr and $9.50/day.

Secondary parking can be found at South Regional Garage (http://www.tampagov.net/parking/programs/garages-and-lots/south-regional-garage). This is self-parking only. This garage does have elevators but it is approximately two (2) blocks away from the Convention Center. The cost for parking at this garage is $1.60/hr and $9.50/day.

Restrooms
The Tampa Convention Center ground floor has two family restrooms, three men’s restrooms, and three women’s restrooms:

[ALT TEXT: A Family Friendly restroom in the Tampa Convention Center is featured in center frame. The wooden door is clearly designated as an accessible, family restroom with the familiar blue placard. The door is set into a wall of dark blue panels segmented by wood.]
One of these restrooms will be designated as a gender-neutral restroom, with appropriate signage.

Restrooms do not have main doors; there is hallway access with a half-wall to go around to access the facilities. In each set of men’s and women’s restrooms there is an accessible stall directly inside restrooms with additional accessible stalls at each corner, for a total of 4 accessible stalls. There are no lowered sinks.

Signage for restrooms is large and stands out from the walls.

Conference Rooms
There are some linoleum-type floor surfaces in some conference rooms, and some carpet in others. The carpet pattern is relatively sedate:
Conference rooms are well-marked, with large marquees perpendicular to the walls.

Temperatures for individual rooms may be able to be adjusted as needed.

*Common Areas*

The Tampa Convention Center has two main hallways with access to conference rooms. Both hallways are very wide. Some furnishings (e.g. tables and chairs) are placed in and adjacent to these two hallways.
[ALT TEXT: This image showcases the expanse of Tampa Convention Center’s center hallway. Ballroom entrances line either side of the hallway. The hallway’s carpet features repeating diagonal lines; alternating wavy blue lines, thin diagonal yellow and white lines, and a busy pattern of triangles and wavy lines.]
[ALT TEXT: The image shows an interior view of the Franklin Street Entrance to the Tampa Convention Center. A large square pillar is the middle of the hall with two blue, square shaped arm-chairs at its base. A large directional sign hangs from the ceiling. A small circle of blue, square shaped arm-chairs sits just past the central pillar.]

Restaurant and Bar Area
The Tampa Convention Center has one snack bar / coffee shop, and one bar on site, the Bay Bistro. Please consult the Bay Bistro’s menu for more details about the fare served (http://www.tampaconventioncenter.com/includes/content/docs/media/Bay-Bistro-Menu-September-2013.pdf). The Bay Bistro is open Monday - Friday, 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM.

OUT AND ABOUT IN TAMPA
See the website for the full Accessible Tampa Guide (http://www.tampagov.net/community-affairs/programs/accessible-tampa-guide).

Community Affairs addresses concerns or inquiries about the rights of persons with disabilities and serves as a liaison to the Mayor's Alliance for Persons with Disabilities. It also provides technical assistance and support to the City of Tampa Human Rights Board.
Much of the downtown has been revitalized in recent years so the sidewalks and curb cuts are in good condition. Traffic patterns are well marked and there are benches throughout downtown.

**Public transportation**
The Hillsborough Area Regional Transit Authority (HART) provides a comprehensive spectrum of services designed to facilitate convenient transportation around the greater downtown Tampa area. All HART buses and vans offer accessible ride options. The nearest HART route stop is conveniently located at the corner of South Franklin St. and Old Water St., between the Tampa Convention Center and the Tampa Marriott Waterside. You are encouraged to explore HART’s website (http://www.gohart.org/index.html) for the transportation option that best suites your needs. You can see a comprehensive brochure covering all of HART’s Tampa options. Below are information and links to some of the more popular options:

The HART bus system offers regularly scheduled routes around the Downtown Tampa and wider Hillsborough County area. Routes to popular local attractions and destinations are available.

- HART Bus Route locations and times: [http://www.gohart.org/routes/hart/hart-local.html](http://www.gohart.org/routes/hart/hart-local.html)

**HART Tram/Trolley**
For those interested in accessing Downtown Tampa area attractions via public transportation, HART and TECO offer wheelchair accessible Tram and Streetcar services. Please note that the Tram and Trolley serve limited routes and destinations, plan your usage accordingly.

**TECO Line Streetcar**
The TECO line streetcar has a PDF route map ([http://www.tecolinestreetcar.org/about/maps/downtown_network.pdf](http://www.tecolinestreetcar.org/about/maps/downtown_network.pdf)).

Look up TECO streetcar fares ([http://www.tecolinestreetcar.org/about/fares/index.htm](http://www.tecolinestreetcar.org/about/fares/index.htm)) and streetcar schedule ([http://www.tecolinestreetcar.org/about/schedules/index.htm](http://www.tecolinestreetcar.org/about/schedules/index.htm)).

**HART Trolley**
HART Flex
The HART Flex system offers on-demand, curbside van-based service. Please note that advanced reservations (3-5 days prior to planned use) are recommended.

- HART Flex website: http://www.gohart.org/flex/index.html
- HART Flex phone: 813-254-4278

HART Paratransit
For those seeking more individualized care, the HART Paratransit system offers accessible van services that may be tailored to specific needs and wants. Please be aware that the Paratransit system requires an application process and additional fees: allow at least one month for application processing.

- HART Paratransit phone: (813) 254-4278

Taxi Service
United Cab of Tampa Bay offers accessible cab services at competitive rates, and is available by text, phone, online, or downloadable app through iTunes and Google Play.

- Web: http://www.unitedcaboftampa.com/
- Phone: (813)777-7777

Scooter and wheelchair rental
- Scootaround (888-441-7575): Nationwide scooter rental company, serving the Country's top metropolitan areas, including Tampa, Florida. (http://www.scootaround.com/)

- Special Needs at Sea (800-513-4515): leading global provider of wheelchair, scooter, oxygen and other special needs equipment rentals. 1 week advance notice is required, and there are a variety of rental options available with various pricing. Online orders are available. (http://www.specialneedsatsea.com/)

- CareVacations (877-478-7827): Wheelchair Rentals, Power Mobility Scooters, and more available. Pricing subject to rental item, city of use, and length of rental. Pick up and delivery included. (https://www.carevacations.com/)

**RESTAURANTS**
The CCCC Hospitality Committee has gathered information on a number of restaurants close to the conference locations. You can find this information, which includes some dietary information, on the [4C hospitality website](http://4ctampa.wordpress.com/).

You can find a list of vegan and vegetarian restaurants at [the Happy Cow online guide](http://www.happycow.net/north_america/usa/florida/tampa). CBS has also published a list of [Tampa’s best vegan and vegetarian options](http://tampa.cbslocal.com/2011/12/28/tampas-best-vegetarian-and-vegan-restaurants/).

You can find gluten-free options at [Tampa Gluten Free Friendly Listings](http://www.findmeglutenfree.com/us/fl/tampa).

You can find allergy-friendly options at [Tampa Food Allergy Friendly Listings](http://www.allergyeats.com/results_p.php?lat=27.950575&lng=-82.45717760000002&allergies%5B%5D=1&allergies%5B%5D=2&allergies%5B%5D=4&allergies%5B%5D=8&allergies%5B%5D=16&allergies%5B%5D=32&allergies%5B%5D=64&allergies%5B%5D=128&allergies%5B%5D=256&allergies%5B%5D=512&Address=&City=Tampa&St=Fl&Zip=&TorD=distance&miles=20&restaurant=).

**DRUG STORES**
There are two major chain pharmacies within a mile of the conference locations, including:

**Walgreens**
315 W Platt St
Tampa, FL 33606
Phone: 813-251-3939

**CVS**
220 East Madison Avenue North
Tampa, FL 33602
Phone: 813-228-0175
ACTIVITIES

• **Busch Gardens**: With a large collection of roller coasters, Busch Gardens is Florida’s thrill ride leader with world-class shows with entertainment for all ages. The state-of-the-art animal habitats are home to more than 12,000 animals making Busch Gardens one of the largest zoos in North America. Assistive listening devices, wheelchair rentals, and accessible parking, among other features, are readily available. Visit the [Busch Gardens website](http://seaworldparks.com/en/buschgardens-tampa/park-info/special-needs/) for more information about accessible features this venue has to offer.

• **Lowry Park Zoo**: Re-opened at its current site in 1988, it is ranked the number one zoo in the U.S. The Zoo has natural outdoor exhibits for more than 1,000 animals from Florida and similar habitats, and features rides, shows and hands-on interactive exhibits. The Zoo is autism and service animal friendly and has wheelchair rentals and accessible parking available. Visit the [Lowry Park Zoo website](http://www.lowryparkzoo.com/zoo_accessibility.php) for the Zoo’s accessibility information.

• **Florida Aquarium**: There are more than 20,000 aquatic animals and plants to see during a visit to the Aquarium, an assortment of entertaining and educational shows and an outdoor 2-acre water park. The main entrance is accessible, accessible parking is available and wheelchairs and scooters can be rented. For more information about accessible features visit the [Florida Aquarium website](http://www.flaquarium.org/Explore-the-Aquarium/accessibility.aspx).

• **Adventure Island**: has many opportunities to enjoy island life, either relaxing in a cabana or riding various water attractions. Service animals and Segways are welcomed. Wheelchairs may be rented. Accessible bathrooms and parking also available. For more accessibility features, visit the [Adventure Island website](http://adventureisland.com/en/tampa/park-info/accessibility-guide/).

• **Henry B. Plant Museum**: The museum, an astonishing hotel constructed by railroad magnate Henry Bradley Plant, is a must-see and features restored rooms of the Tampa Bay Hotel and Plant’s treasures from around the world. The museum is accessible for those who need to avoid stairs as accessible ramps are located at the south end of the building and at the back of the building. Wheelchairs, closed captioning, multilingual subtitles, and white glove tours for those with visual disabilities are available. A full list of accessible features can be found on the [Henry B. Plant Museum website](http://plantmuseum.com/accessibility).
• **Tampa Theatre:** Opened in 1926, Tampa Theatre is one of America’s best-preserved examples of grand movie palace architecture. See a show, a movie, or take a stage of this beautifully protected landmark. Currently, the main floor of the Theatre is barrier free and has ADA-compliant restrooms. Locations for wheelchair seating are provided in the left and right orchestra seating sections however, the mezzanine, balcony, and basement lobby are not accessible except by stairs. For all movies, the Theatre offers assistive listening free of charge.

• **MOSI:** The Museum of Science and Industry (MOSI) is home to Florida’s only IMAX dome theatre, many interactive and educational exhibits, a butterfly garden, outdoor ropes course, and much more. The museum is wheelchair accessible with automatic doors at the east, south, and west entrance, as well as accessible parking. Wheelchairs are available for use and the IMAX dome theatre utilizes a “Rear Window” closed captioning system. Visit the [Museum of Science and Industry website](http://www.mosi.org/plan-your-visit/accessibility-accommodation.aspx) to see a full list of accommodations and a contact for accessible accommodations.

• **Raymond James:** Home to the Tampa Bay Buccaneers football team and the University of South Florida Bull’s football team, this “crown jewel” stadium hosts sporting events, performances, and concerts. Tours are available on some days of the week. Accessible seating is available in all areas of the stadium at all price points, including club level and luxury suites, and is sold through Ticketmaster and other ticket outlets, though please note the stadium is not in charge of ticketing.

**LINKS TO FURTHER ACTIVITIES**

- Guide for Visitors - [http://www.tampagov.net/info/user-guides/for-visitors](http://www.tampagov.net/info/user-guides/for-visitors)
- Best of Tampa - [http://www.tripadvisor.com/Tourism-g34678-Tampa_Florida-Vacations.html](http://www.tripadvisor.com/Tourism-g34678-Tampa_Florida-Vacations.html)

**Alcoholics Anonymous Meetings**

The following is a list of regularly scheduled AA meetings during the Wed – Sat conference time frame. At press time, these meeting dates and times were current, but
please confirm with the central office listed above to confirm before attending in March. The Tampa area AA central office is located at: Tri-County Central Office, Inc., 8019 N. Himes, Suite 104, Tampa, FL 33614

The office can be contacted at (813) 933-9123 or via email: aainfo@aatampa-area.org. For a full list of meetings, please visit the full listing of AA meetings (http://www.aatampa-area.org/meetings/southTampa.html). The AA central office emphasizes that any member of the Fellowship of Alcoholics Anonymous is welcome at any meeting.

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<td>Live and Let Live Group</td>
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Narcotics Anonymous

The Tampa Bay Narcotics Anonymous group can be reached at: Tampa Funcoast Area of Narcotics Anonymous, PO Box 9730, Tampa, Florida 33674-9730. The NA local help line is: 813-879-4357. At press time, these meeting dates and times were current, but please confirm with the main office listed above to confirm before attending in March. For a full schedule of area meetings, please visit the main NA site (http://www.tampana.org/meetings/).

Sunset Solution
St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 5103 Central Avenue, Tampa, FL, 33603
5:30 p.m.
(about a 10 min drive from conference locations)

Free To Be Me
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<td>Recovery Central</td>
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<td>6111 N. Central Ave., Tampa, FL, 33604</td>
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<td>Saturdays</td>
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MAPS
Tampa Convention Center First Floor Map:
http://www.tampaconventioncenter.com/includes/content/docs/media/Lower_Floor.pdf

Tampa Convention Center Facility Video Tour:
http://www.tampaconventioncenter.com/facility-information/tour/