



EMPLOYEE PROFILE

EMPLOYEE APPRECIATION GRAB & GO LUNCH



Steve Lafferty handing out boxed lunches to employees.



The menu for boxed lunches, with many options for employees to choose from.

OAS employees worked hard all year, impacting lives, exceeding expectations, and creating “wow” moments. It is important that each employee knows they are valued and that all their hard work is appreciated. To show this appreciation, a grab-and-go lunch event was hosted on December 14 by the OAS Pillar Ambassador Team. There

was a variety of lunch options, including vegan, vegetarian, and gluten-free choices, for employees to come pick up at various times during the day.

MICHAEL ROSS POSTAL SERVICES REPRESENTATIVE FACILITIES MANAGEMENT

Michael Ross is a Postal Services Representative and has been working in OAS since 2017.

You will typically find Michael behind the service counter of the USF Post Office. However, like all of the USF Post Office employees, Michael is cross-trained to perform all of the functions necessary to keep the Post Office running, from collecting mail, to sorting and distributing it, along with operating various types of postal equipment.

Michael's favorite part about working in the post office is the familial environment. He also appreciates that everyone works towards the same goals and knows when things need to be done to accomplish those goals.

Michael moved to Tampa in 2015 from Massachusetts, where he

served as a law enforcement officer for over 20 years after serving in the air force for 8 years. As an officer, he taught many diversity and inclusion trainings to various police departments in West Massachusetts. The skills he developed of teaching and having a strong sense of empathy have helped him excel in serving customers at the USF Post Office, however there are always challenges. Michael tries to stay positive and remember that sometimes people are having a bad day and they take it out on you but it's not your fault.

Outside of work, Michael is an avid motorcyclist, and even started a chapter of the Buffalo Soldiers Motorcycle Club in Springfield, Massachusetts, where they provided education and social welfare programs to children in the area. Michael hopes to start something like the Buffalo Soldiers in Tampa. He also loves to travel and wants to take a motorcycle tour through South America, as soon as he is able to.

SAFETY TRAINING PROGRAM

Environmental Health and Safety recently streamlined their training program and began offering most courses online. Take the safety training needs assessment to determine the required trainings for your role at USF.

 Visit usf.edu/ehs to take the assessment

REMINDERS

- Don't forget to nominate a deserving coworker for an Excellence Award online at bit.ly/ExcellenceRecognition

WORK ANNIVERSARIES

DECEMBER

FACILITIES

Samuel Brown	18
Lenroy Curling	17
Dwayne Callaway	16
John Wilson	16
Deidre Boman	14
Raymond Morris	12
William James	10
Clint Franklin	10
Arthur Elias	8
Willie Clark	8
Juan Vargas	7
Dante Fields	7
Karen Black	6
Manuel Maldonado	4
Sandra Frazier	3
Dwayne Vasquez	2
Andrea Mitchell	2
Demetrius Jones	2
Robert Guia	2
Jorge Fernandez Gonzalez	2
Luis Munoz	1
Lawrence Mentis	1
Andrea Davis	1
Eliezer Ayala Agosto	1
James Carabba	1

BUSINESS CENTER

Orlando Ware	14
Adelle Amison	5
Lourdes Velez Garcia	2
Taneem Ali-Qureshi	2

PARKING & TRANSPORTATION

Frank Granda	32
Thomas Ehl	13
Vire Bowen	12
Nicholas Wilson	3

JANUARY

FACILITIES

Elizabeth Casey	20
John Greiff	17
Devon Samuels	16
Tamara Tidwell	13
Adrienne Lynch-Elms	13
Christopher Ilse	12
Michael Ballester	11
Robert Geschardt	7
Thomas Bradley	5
Lawrence Miller	4
Zachary Romano	4
Wilantae Bryant	2
Brehon Gay	1
Robin Long	1

BUSINESS CENTER

Clifton James	16
Julie McCoy	13

PARKING & TRANSPORTATION

John Luksas	6
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WELCOMING NEW ADDITIONS

Lincey Araya

Manager
Building & Maintenance Operations, FM

James Pegues

Transit Bus Driver
Parking and Transportation Services

Cadedra Reed

Custodial Superintendent
Facilities Management

Matthew Broderick

Parking Enforcement Specialist
Parking and Transportation Services

Kevin Holtham

Groundskeeper
Facilities Management

Yupaporn Somboonnok

Postal Services Representative
Facilities Management

Philip Dietz

Groundskeeper
Facilities Management

Agustin Santos Quintero

Custodial Worker
Facilities Management

Iritza Perez DeJesus

Custodial Worker
Facilities Management

Robert Taylor

Groundskeeper
Facilities Management

RETIREMENTS

Pooran Partrap (34 years)

Maintenance Technician, *Facilities Management*