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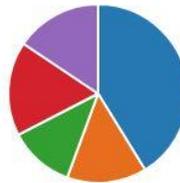
## USF Community Selects Name for USF Police Therapy Dog

**TAMPA, Fla. (Feb. 5, 2021)** – Thanks to each of you who supported us during the naming of the first therapy dog for the University of South Florida Police Department (USFPD). There were more than 1300 votes cast and many more names unofficially suggested, e.g., Chase, Radar, Rocky, Bull, Brady and more. At the end of the day, the final name with the highest votes was: **Bailey**.

The chart below shows the breakdown of the votes.

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● Bailey	545
● Bella	190
● Skye	156
● Nala	225
● Zoey	206



Bailey joined the USFPD earlier this year and will serve as an emotional support to crime victims and members of the community experiencing emotional distress.

Experts in the field rescued her from a Brevard County shelter. She and the handler bonded through a weeklong training for obedience and temperament. Bailey and her handler, Officer Nicole Marchesano, will continue to undergo regular training throughout the year.

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