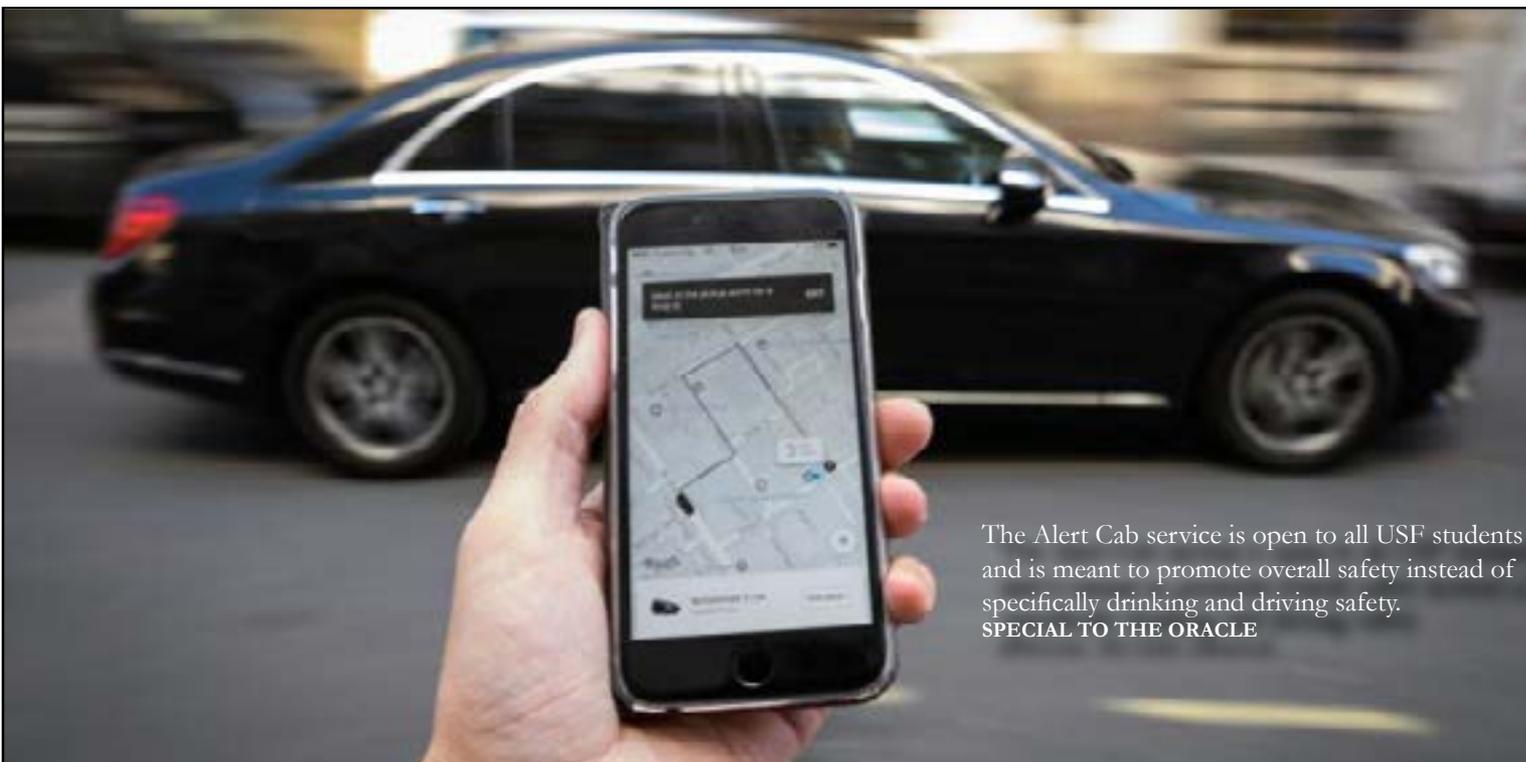


SAFE Team shifts student safety into high gear with Uber partnership



The Alert Cab service is open to all USF students and is meant to promote overall safety instead of specifically drinking and driving safety.
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Alyssa Stewart

EDITOR IN CHIEF

SAFE Team is working with a new set of wheels. They just launched a free ride service with Uber in an effort to promote student safety outside of campus.

SAFE Team is a department within Student Government (SG) that works to promote student safety at USF. This includes an on-campus escort service in

which students will be driven or walked from one part of campus to another and an off-campus driving service for USF students who feel unsafe.

Kaelyn Steele, SAFE Team director, said some financial logistics are still being worked out, but it has been decided that students will be granted a one-time only, \$30 Uber voucher every month.

On Tuesday night, SG allocated SAFE Team \$25,440 (\$24,000 for the service and \$1,440 for the 6 percent overhead charge) in order to make the transition from the cab service, United Cab, to Uber.

Steele said the purpose of the

partnership with Uber is to be available to all students in any situation in which they feel unsafe.

This is different than the previous partnership with United Cab because it was solely for students who were 21 and older to prevent drinking and driving. Steele said the contract said students had to be in an alcohol-serving establishment and needed a residential address in Hillsborough County in order to be picked up.

The new service is open to USF students of all ages.

"If it's because you've been drinking and can't get home or because you are at a friend's

apartment and don't feel safe there, you can call," Steele said.

In order to use the voucher, students would call SAFE Team to put in a request. The dispatcher will then ask for follow-up information in order to be sent the code. The voucher will automatically appear in the student's Uber app, according to Steele.

The follow-up information includes the student's name, phone number, birthday, university ID number, driver's license number, current location and residential location.

The one ride per month can fit up to four to six people

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Fading out 'new' academic logo



Leda Alvim

MULTIMEDIA EDITOR

After spending almost \$1 million in marketing initiatives with the infamous lime-green academic logo, USF is one step closer to completing the switch to the "Iconic Bull U" athletics logo.

Last month, USF removed the old signage from the new Morsani College of Medicine in downtown Tampa.

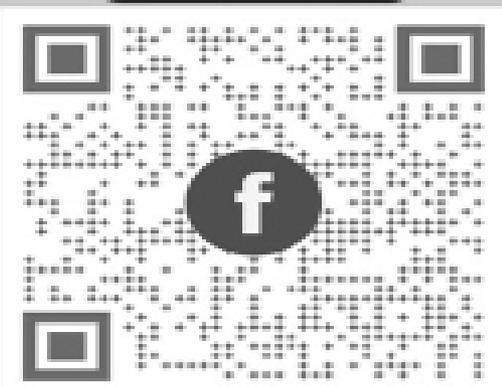
It cost approximately \$58,000 to remove the old signage and install the new "Bull U" signage on the USF Health building downtown, according to Media Relations Manager Althea Paul.

The new signage of the "Iconic Bull U" was installed on the north side of the building, according to Paul. The replacement of the south side signage, however, is still yet to take place.

In an email to The Oracle, Paul said that the transition to the "Iconic Bull U" will take place throughout the next several months until the former logo is completely phased out.

"Removing the signage from

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the building downtown is another step in the process of fully implementing the “Iconic Bull U” logo,” Paul said.

The signage on the north side, which includes Bull U with letters that say “University of South Florida,” is 10 feet tall and 32 feet wide while the south signage is 12 feet tall and 63 feet wide. Each structure weighs approximately 450 lbs.

Vice President of Communications and

Marketing Joe Hice was not available for comment.

The university announced through an email in May the surrendering of its lime-green bull design, after being in effect for nearly eight months.

Included in the email, the existing athletics association logo was announced to represent the entire university, amid criticism among current students and alumni.

Throughout the summer, students and members of the USF community were able to see the old logo gradually fade

away around campus with the replacement of the light posts, banners and merchandise.

According to Paul, removing the signage from the building downtown is another step in the process of fully implementing the “Iconic Bull U” logo.

“We are continuing to make the transition to the “Iconic Bull U”, which will take place throughout the next several months until the former logo is completely phased out,” Paul said.



The transition to the “Iconic Bull U” will take place throughout the next several months until the former logo is completely phased out. **SPECIAL TO THE ORACLE**

UBER

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depending on the vehicle (UberX, UberXL, Uber Pool, etc) the student requests.

The service will run during SAFE Team’s hours of operation which are 6:30 p.m. to 2 a.m.

SAFE Team is still working out the financial details, but Steele said students will be responsible if the ride fare exceeds \$30.

“So if their ride is \$45, they would have to pay that surplus \$15,” Steele said.

A radius limit has not been established yet, however, Steele said she does not believe there will be one.

For example, if a student is driving from Orlando to Tampa, they could still be eligible for the voucher but they would have to pay the rest of the Uber fare.

With United Cab, SAFE Team served as an intermediary between the service and the student. They would have to call the cab service and provide instructions as to where the student was.

Now, students can use their Uber account and location to see where their ride is and who exactly is picking them up.

“This is much safer than getting into a cab that a student doesn’t know the details of,” Steele said.

The safety services Uber offers include driver screenings, an emergency assistance button, real-time identification, a ‘share my trip’ option and an incident report available 24/7, according to Steele.

Steele said Safe Team is expecting to provide about 800 rides until at least next August. However, she said she hopes the program will be able to extend into the next fiscal year with

more partnerships.

In previous years, SAFE Team has worked with Yuengling and the beer distributing company, Pepin, who has donated \$18,000.

The partnership was divided three ways between United Cab, Pepin and SAFE Team. SAFE Team contributed \$24,000, United Cab was benefiting from the use of the service and Pepin was receiving the marketing and advertising.

Because it hasn’t been advertised recently, the United Cab service was receiving around five calls a month. But, Steele said in past years SAFE Team would receive about 10 calls every Friday night and about 100 calls a month.

SAFE Team stopped the United Cab contract about two months ago because it was “outdated.” Steele said she believes students will enjoy using Uber more.

“Most students are familiar with using Uber or a ride-sharing app, but most students haven’t used a cab before,” Steele said.

Because the students do not have to be in an alcohol-serving establishment or within USF’s radius, this raises the question of people taking advantage of the free ride service for reasons other than their safety.

However, Steele said students abusing the service has never been an issue.

“We are going to be monitoring who’s using it and how often they are,” Steele said. “I hope students will use it for safety measures but I also can’t control what is happening in their lives.

“Whatever the student wants to use it for, we are here to help.”

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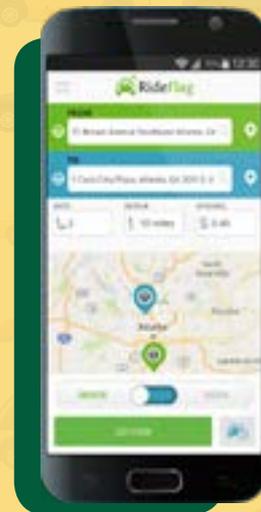


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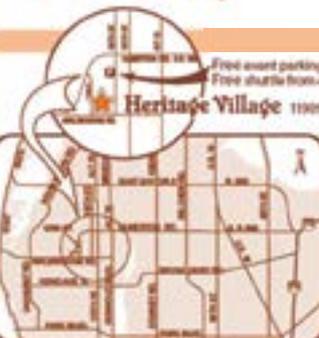
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'Medicare for All' gives graduates financial freedom



Jared Sellick

C O L U M N I S T

On CNN Tuesday night, 12 of the 19 democratic presidential candidates convened in Westerville, Ohio for their fourth presidential debate and, among many other things, discussed the pertinent issue of health care.

What became very clear, and has been a constant theme in these debates, is that the all-encompassing "Medicare for All" plan championed by Sen. Bernie Sanders and supported by Sen. Elizabeth Warren is under fire from the rest of the candidates.

Mayor of South Bend, Indiana, Pete Buttigieg went as far as to say that advocating for Medicare for All would, "unnecessarily divide this country."

Health care is a sensitive issue for Americans and, in particular, for American college students.

Not only is the U.S. one of the only developed countries to not provide health care for all of its citizens, but the U.S. spends much more on health care than many other developed countries, according to data from the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD).

For college students joining the workforce immediately after



Implementing Sen. Bernie Sanders' plan would relieve all businesses from the need to provide private insurance to employees.

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graduation, health care is often a big concern. Rather than pursuing their best interests, students may try to get the first job that offers a health insurance plan, particularly individuals who have a pre-existing conditions, which is a condition a person has prior to their health benefits going into effect.

The State Health Access Data Assistance Center found that the percentage of uninsured Americans between 19-25 was at 14 percent in 2018. The same data found that over 60 percent of the same age group relied on an employer to provide health insurance.

By moving away from a system of private insurance, the U.S. would allow for all Americans to have more independence from their employer.

Sen. Sanders' plan, released in April 2019, clearly identifies a 4 percent income-based premium for employees after they earn their first \$29,000 as well as a 7.5 percent income-based premium paid by employers, after the first \$2 million in payroll, among

other options to pay for the plan.

Implementing this plan would relieve all businesses from the need to provide private insurance to employees. The money saved has the potential to go into greater earnings for graduates going into entry-level positions.

By implementing a national plan that is not tied to employment, students graduating into the workforce will be more independent. They can make decisions in their professional life based on their life goals and not have to factor in whether they can afford to go to the doctor.

Candidates like Buttigieg on stage will work overtime to frame the system as too costly, despite the fact that every developed country has a similar system with better health outcomes including on key health factors like life expectancy according to data from the OECD. Sen. Warren and Sen. Sanders cannot let up their advocacy for a Medicare for All system.

Jared Sellick is a junior majoring in political science.

Reducing homelessness around USF



Nathaniel Sweet

C O L U M N I S T

Homelessness is a serious problem for the neighborhoods around USF.

By the most recent point-in-time (PIT) count from the Tampa Hillsborough Homelessness Initiative (THHI), the zip code 33612 — which covers the University Mall to Busch Gardens — has the largest number of homeless people sleeping on the streets out of all zip codes in Hillsborough County.

The daily struggles of the homeless are a grim and visible reminder of what life is like on the margins of society. They merit a permanent, compassionate solution.

According to a 2019 THHI presentation on homeless trends in the past five years, chronic homelessness in Hillsborough County dropped dramatically from 2014 to 2016 — from 409 chronically homeless individuals to 254 — but has leveled off since then.

The THHI has long emphasized a "housing first" approach, a strategy that focuses on getting homeless people into permanent housing as a first priority. For the chronically homeless, this

means "permanent supportive housing," or publicly-funded houses and apartments with wrap-around services like substance abuse treatment, mental health care and job search assistance.

The substantial progress the THHI made from 2014 to 2016 shows the value of this approach. The question now is how they can build on their success and continue to reduce homelessness in Tampa.

One roadblock is funding. Federal grant dollars from the Department of Housing and Urban Development have grown at a snail's pace, from \$6.2 million in 2014 to \$6.3 million in 2018.

County funding, meanwhile, peaked at \$4.2 million in 2017 and has hovered around that range since then, according to the Hillsborough County government's 2019 budget. That number might seem large, but it is less than 0.1 percent of the county's \$5.5 billion budget.

Considering the scope of the homelessness problem, plus the sheer depth of the challenges homeless people face, these figures are peanuts. We have proven strategies to work toward decreasing homelessness — the question is whether Hillsborough County will put up the dollars to make them work.

Nathaniel Sweet is a senior studying political science.

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looking up to me to lead," Brown said. "It wasn't easy, but I just had to stay focused and keep my group together."

After high school, Brown played professionally in his native Jamaica with Harbor View FC and Santos FC Kingston. He left his home country to play for USF in 2018. In March, Brown signed with USL League Two side Treasure Coast Tritons, which only plays in the summer.

Brown also plays for the Jamaican national team and has seen his fair share of international action. Most recently, Brown was called up to the 2019 CONCACAF Gold Cup squad.

During his time with Jamaica, Brown rubbed shoulders with some Reggae Boyz veteran players, including current Jamaica captain and Philadelphia Union goalkeeper Andre Blake.

Jamaica's senior players, most notably Blake, who played for UConn from 2011-13, offered Brown career advice.

"They told me, 'As long as you stay focused, and do what you've got to do it's going to pay off one day,'" Brown said.

Professional defenders like Real Madrid's Sergio Ramos and Liverpool's Virgil van Dijk often play aggressively and try to connect with set pieces as much as possible. Brown said he studies them carefully.

It's a work of art when they score, according to Brown.

"It's beautiful for them," Brown said. "Because they're very determined."

Brown sees what the pros are doing and uses it as motivation to use his head in the box.

"When I go up, I need to really go for that ball," Brown said. "I did it twice and it paid off. I have to just continue to do what I have to do."

Playing professionally and representing one's country before

20 may seem like a lot of weight on a player's shoulders — a lot is expected, especially with the pedigree of being a leader.

But the leadership role that began at Kingston College has stuck with Brown ever since.

"After you have that leadership role ... it's just in you from there," Brown said.

His commanding presence has followed him to USF's back line, and he finds himself in the important position of commanding his fellow defenders.

Freshman defender Salvatore Mazzaferro attested to Brown's leadership role on the back line. The connection between the three center backs — Mazzaferro, Brown and sophomore Marcus Murphy — has helped Mazzaferro develop as a player.

"Javain is really hard on me on the field, but honestly, I tell him to go hard on me," Mazzaferro said. "It's a great learning experience and he's taught me a lot ... and I thank him for it."

Butehorn described Brown as being a player the team can rely on and said he brings a professionalism to the team that allows it to play to its strengths.

"He's kind of showing some leadership at times," Butehorn said. "His athleticism helps us and overall, his personality helps us play the way we want to play."

A leader on the back line is essential for organized teams. It may not look the flashiest, but a rock in the defense often leads to success.

As the great former Manchester United manager Sir Alex Ferguson put it, "Attack wins you games, defense wins you titles."

Brown seems to have adopted that mindset and applied it to the way he plays.

"You've got to demand things out of your teammates," Brown said. "The most disciplined defenses always win titles. That's where we've got to be."

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p.m.[TV: CBS Sports Network|Radio: WDAE-AM 620).

However, the Midshipmen are the current defensive leaders in the AAC and No. 16 in the nation, which means the matchup may boil down to which team has the better defense.

"We're [continuing] to grow and develop, but this is going to be a big test for us this week," USF coach Charlie Strong said.

USF is coming off a key defensive performance against BYU after the Bulls stopped the Cougars on 2-of-4 red-zone attempts.

In addition to linebacker Patrick Macon, who leads the team with seven tackles per game, USF has come to rely on a pair of sophomore linebackers — Antonio Grier and Dwayne Boyles.

Grier recorded two sacks against BYU and leads the team with three this season. Boyles has recorded at least one tackle for loss the past five games and leads the team with 8.5 tackles for loss this season.

"Both of those guys are playing very well for us and they're putting up big numbers," Strong said. "They get an opportunity to put them up and they're taking full advantage of it."

Navy's offense is known for utilizing the triple option, which makes the most of the rushing game — the Midshipmen top the AAC in rushing offense with 327.2 rushing yards per game.

Navy seldom utilizes passing, however it is effective when adapting to the passing game, according to defensive coordinator Brian Jean-Mary. Despite the lack of passes attempted by senior quarterback Malcom Perry (37), Navy tops the AAC in pass efficiency (62.8 percent).

"The one thing that stood

out ... watching them on tape, they are very comfortable with [Perry] throwing the ball," Jean-Mary said. "I think they are very confident in his ability to read a defense and deliver the football."

The USF defense shouldn't fall into the trap of assuming Perry is just a runner, which is the typical view of option quarterbacks.

On the other side of the ball, offensive coordinator Kerwin Bell sees the threat of Navy's defense being its passing defense.

Redshirt freshman quarterback Jordan McCloud hasn't been 100 percent since he was initially injured against SMU on Sept. 28 and could face trouble from Navy's blitz defense.

"They give you a lot of looks, and for a young quarterback, it'll be important that Jordan makes some checks for us and gets us in the right place," Bell said.

The passing game could be threatened, considering McCloud has been sacked 13 times this season.

"You've got to make quick decisions and quick checks, Bell said. "We're going to have to be on our game to be able to move the football."

USF and Navy have both shown they have capable defenses. Saturday's game may come down to which team is the most disciplined.

Because of Navy's option offense, USF needs to capitalize when the Bulls have the ball.

"We need to start fast because we won't get many possessions," Strong said. "We've got to take advantage of every possession that we get."

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Former USF CB drafted in Day 2 of XFL Draft

Former USF cornerback Deatrick Nichols was selected during the second day of the XFL Draft on Wednesday.

Nichols played for USF from 2014-2017, earning first team All-AAC honors in 2015 and 2017 and



Deatrick Nichols
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second team in 2016.

In his senior season, Nichols ranked first on the team in pass breakups (12) and

third in total tackles (56). Nichols was signed by the Arizona Cardinals as an undrafted free agent on April 28, 2018, and spent time both on Arizona's active roster and practice squad before ultimately being cut prior to the 2019 season.

Nichols was the fourth former Bull drafted by an XFL team this week, joining Day 1 draftees QB Quinton Flowers (2014-2017), TE Sean Price (2012-2015) and OT Quinterrius Eatmon (2011-2014).

Flowers — who was drafted as a running back but will reportedly see looks at his collegiate position — was drafted by the Tampa Bay Vipers, Price was taken by the Dallas Renegades, while Eatmon was selected by the Seattle Dragons.

Men's Soccer



Nolan Brown

STAFF WRITER

Defenders seldom score goals. So when they do, it's a big deal. But in the case of sophomore Javain Brown, his contributions to USF have come at both ends of the field. Most recently, he's been on the scoring end.

Brown hadn't scored a goal in his collegiate career until Sept. 27 when he scored the game-winner against UConn in the 81st minute.

Four days later, he scored the only goal in a win over Florida Gulf Coast.

Brown dismissed his game-winning heroics in favor of attributing his goals to a team effort.

"I mean, it's not just me, it's



Javain Brown has emerged as a leader on USF's back line this season.
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the whole team," Brown said. "Coach [Bob Butehorn], he said set pieces are going to win games sometimes."

Rising to the challenge

Butehorn doesn't normally recommend his defenders get forward and make attempts on goal. In fact, he sparingly tells Brown to make forward runs.

"No, not for my own health, no I don't do that," Butehorn joked.

But in Brown's case, Butehorn sees his eye for goal as more of a boon than a liability.

"I think it's just another piece of his arsenal that makes him a pretty good player," Butehorn said.

Vision for scoring goals, a team-oriented mentality and professional experience are the ingredients of an on-field leader. And Brown proved he has what it takes to be a leader even before his time at USF.

In his final three years of high school, Brown captained the Kingston College soccer team.

"It was a difficult process because it was a whole new coaching staff and they were

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Football

Battle of the defenses



Nolan Brown

STAFF WRITER

One thing USF has done well this season is play well defensively. The Bulls are currently top in the NCAA in tackles for loss with 10.3 per game and second in total sacks in the AAC.

USF (3-3, 1-1) may come to rely on its defense in order to win against Navy (4-1, 2-1) on Saturday at Navy-Marine Corps Memorial Stadium (3:30

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Patrick Macon (55) leads the Bulls in tackles per game. **SPECIAL TO THE ORACLE/GOUSFBULLS**