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**Tampa YMCA Holds Groundbreaking Ceremony for  
The Family Y at Big Bend Road**

**WHAT:** Members of the media are cordially invited to join the [Tampa Metropolitan Area YMCA](#) as we break ground on our outdoor amenities of phase one for The Family Y at Big Bend Road. Phase one of the project includes multi-purpose athletic fields, covered basketball court, playground, picnic pavilion, parking and drainage improvements.

Special dignitaries will be in attendance including Hillsborough County commissioners, local Chamber of Commerce members and YMCA Governance Board members.

**THIS EVENT IS BY SPECIAL INVITATION ONLY AND NOT OPEN TO THE PUBLIC.**

**WHEN:** Tuesday, January 21, 2014, 11am

**WHERE:** Groundbreaking ceremony will take place inside Vance Vogel Park at 13010 Bullfrog Creek Road in Gibsonton.

**WHY:** In August 2013, the Hillsborough Board of County Commissioners unanimously approved a lease agreement with the Tampa YMCA for the construction of The Family Y at Big Bend Road on county-owned land next to Vance Vogel Park, near Big Bend Road and I-75. The Family Y at Big Bend Road will consist of a main family facility building, aquatic center, multi-purpose athletic fields, covered basketball court, picnic pavilion and playground. As part of the public-private, joint-use lease agreement, Hillsborough County provided \$2,000,000 toward phase one of the project, which includes the outdoor amenities. The Tampa YMCA is responsible for the remaining \$1,500,000 cost to complete phase one. The Tampa Y is also responsible for the cost and construction of phase two, which consists of an aquatics center, and phase three, which includes the main facility and additional parking. The project's anticipated completion date is dependent upon capital fundraising efforts. For more information about the county's role in this project, [click here](#) or contact Kurt Gremley at 813-272-5810 or 813-307-1007.

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