



**SIERRA CLUB**

Suncoast Group's *The Sierra Sun*  
Enjoy, Explore and Protect the Planet  
October 2017 Member Newsletter

Over the past year it has become clear that protecting the environment is of low priority in both our federal and state governments, and that **victories** in environmental policy are most likely to come **from the local level**. Fortunately, Pinellas County and the City of St.

Petersburg are leaders in this regard. To maintain this leadership, and our local reputation for environmental stewardship, we need to ensure that our local elected officials continually understand the social, economic, and philosophical value of the environment to their constituents. **Our voice** means everything in **our local government**, so please consider your civic responsibility and get engaged in **politics by voting** strong environmental candidates into local office.

**St. Petersburg Municipal Elections:**

- Mayor **Rick Kriseman**
- City Council Dist. 2 **Barclay Harless**
- City Council Dist. 4 **Darden Rice**
- City Council Dist. 6 **Pending - stay tuned**



**St Petersburg, The Election, The Environment  
PLEASE VOTE**

The City of St Petersburg has made great strides and gained national stature as a leader which has the environment, sustainability and resiliency in its heart. This is a critical election for the City to move forward, move towards clean energy, and create the capacity to endure and bounce bank (resiliency) by finding the balance between environmental stewardship, economic vitality and social equity. If you wish for this vision to continue **your vote is needed** - by mail or in person - **please VOTE!**



Mayors L-R: Henry (Dayton Beach, FL), Benjamin (Columbia, SC), Kriseman (St.Pete, FL), Biskupski (Salt Lake City, UT supporting Mayors for Clean Energy)

**Vote YES : Renew Penny for Pinellas**

Since 1990, Penny for Pinellas has funded long term infrastructure improvements that support our local community. It assists with preserving parks, environmental land acquisitions, water quality, flood & sewer spill prevention, trails, public safety & more. It is up for renewal for another 10 years - please **VOTE YES.**

