



## **A CELEBRATION OF EVERYTHING TAMPA @ the TASTE OF TAMPA, TAMPA BAY'S BIGGEST LEGENDS RECOGNIZED AND AWARDED.**

Tampa Bay Legends are recognized at this West Tampa Celebration of ALL THINGS TAMPA. Tampa Legends Award Presentation AND **Watch as we attempt to make the LONGEST Cuban Sandwich in the World -Goal 375Ft.**

Tampa, FL; Celebrate ALL THINGS TAMPA BAY at this year's Taste of Tampa Festival which will be held in West Tampa, right across the street from Raymond James Stadium @ HCC: 4001 W. Tampa Bay Blvd. Free Family Friendly event. 12-6PM. Sunday, Dec 14<sup>th</sup>, 2025. The Taste of Tampa is a celebration of ALL THINGS TAMPA, featuring the BEST of Tampa's local entertainment, foods, drinks and businesses! The event will feature a family friendly day of FUN and celebration with LIVE MUSIC ranging from Original Hits to Top Hits, Disco, Old School and even Latin Music! Guests will enjoy a great day of Music, Dancing, and great family fun -Plus delicious local favorites such as Crab Enchilada, Devil Crabs, Croquettes, Spanish Bean Soup, Sea Food, Grouper Sandwiches, Soul Food, Café Con Leche and many more local favorites! VOTE FOR YOUR FAVORITE IN THE POPULAR CONTEST! GREAT KIDS' AREA FOR CHILDREN TO ENJOY!



**Tampa Legends will also be awarded and recognized on stage with the "Tampa Legends" award. With a special presentation to recently deceased Dr. Louis A. Capdevila of La Teresita Capdevila; and other deceased Tampa Legends including Albert "Big Al" Perez of Mr. Empanada, Arturo Fuente Sr., Don Carlos Fuente, Sr., Tony More of La Segunda Central Bakery and Phil Alessi, Sr. of Alessi Bakery,.**

**Tampa Legends Receiving Award:** Audrey Perez, Phil Cacciatore, Bob Buckhorn, Dick Greco, EJ Salcines, Arturo Fuente, Jr., Cynthia Fuente, Carlito Fuente, Jr., Lisa Figueredo, Leo Alvarez, John Oliva, Sr., Joe Capitano Sr, Brian Ford, Janet Cruz, Mike Brocato, Ramon Hernandez, Vince Pardo, Antonio Ricardo Fuentes, Santiago Corrado, Linda Hurtado-Figueredo and Richard Gonzmart.

<https://www.hispaniccrf.org/2025-taste-of-tampa-festival.html>

**Goal 375 Ft: LONGER than a Football Field:** We are honored to join some of Tampa Bays biggest Legends in an in the attempt to break the record of 365 Ft. Festival producer Jolie Padilla shared "we will make the Longest Cuban Sandwich in Tampa, and we will break last year's record.

**VIP TEAM HELPING TO MAKE THE LONGEST SANDWICH:** The Longest Cuban Sandwich will be made in West Tampa with the help of the West Tampa Chamber of Commerce, the American Culinary Federation Tampa, Hispanic CRF, Commissioner Donna Cameron-Cepeda, State Attorney Suzy Lopez and several other community partners that are coming together to help us to reach our goal, 1 FOOTBALL FIELD+ and when it's done we will donate it to a homeless shelter and it will feed over 850 homeless people."

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**Longest Cuban Sandwich Sponsors:** Alessi Bakery, La Teresita, Sweet Tea Tiki Bar, Tampa Test Kitchen, Silver Ring, Mike Bakery and Pickle Me This. #####