Fight Mosquitoes with Free Fish

Mosquito fish are small, native freshwater fish that eat mosquito larvae. Mosquito fish are ideal for backyard ponds, birdbaths, fountains, animal troughs, unused swimming pools, and other standing water.

Residents throughout Hillsborough County, including Tampa, Temple Terrace, Plant City, and MacDill Air Force Base, can pick up free fish from Hillsborough County Mosquito Control to help reduce backyard mosquito breeding.

Mobile mosquito fish truck events (in parking lot):

- May 27, 9 to 11 a.m. Upper Tampa Bay Regional Public Library, 11211 Countryway Blvd. in Tampa
- May 27, noon to 2 p.m. Jimmie B. Keel Regional Library, 2902 W. Bearss Ave. in Tampa
- June 10, 9 to 11 a.m. New Tampa Regional Library, 10001 Cross Creek Blvd. in Tampa
- June 10, noon to 2 p.m. Hillsborough County Mosquito Control, 6527 Eureka Springs Road in Tampa
- June 24, 9 to 11 a.m. Bloomingdale Regional Public Library, 1906 Bloomingdale Ave. in Valrico
- June 24, noon to 2 p.m. Riverview Branch Library, 10509 Riverview Drive in Riverview
- July 8, 9 to 11 a.m. Temple Terrace Public Library, 202 Bullard Parkway in Temple Terrace
- July 8, noon to 2 p.m. Bruton Memorial Library, 302 McLendon St. in Plant City
- July 22, 9 to 11 a.m. SouthShore Regional Library, 15816 Beth Shields Way in Ruskin
- July 22, noon to 2 p.m. Hillsborough County Mosquito Control, 6527 Eureka Springs Road in Tampa

Residents will only need a photo ID showing residence in Hillsborough County to receive fish. Limited quantities of mosquito fish will be available, while supplies last.

The County is providing fish as an effective, natural way for residents to control the spread of mosquito-borne disease. They require no feeding and care is limited to protecting them from garden sprays, chlorine, or other chemicals used for cleaning. Mosquito fish do not lay eggs and require no special environment for breeding.

