

## Mayor Shirley Gibson City of Miami Gardens

Shirley Gibson has a diverse background in the public and non-profit sector. In 1996 she was elected to the public offices of Community Council Three and the Miami Dade's Democratic Party Executive Committee. She was elected for two terms to Community Council Three.

Ms. Gibson served as chairperson of the North Dade Municipal Advisory Committee and the Committee to Incorporate the City of Miami Gardens. She is a member of the National Council of Negro Women Dade County Section; a retired seventeen year Miami Dade Police Officer; a previous business owner for more than fifteen years, and is skilled in community organizing. She is a skilled negotiator, using a collaborative approach to incorporate diversity, inclusiveness, and responsibility for effective outcomes. She co-hosted the "Miami Talk" radio program and has been a guest panelist on several local television programs discussing community related issues.

Ms. Gibson is a graduate of St. Thomas University with a B.A. in Criminal Justice and M.A. in Pastoral Ministry. Presently Ms. Gibson is the first Mayor of the City of Miami Gardens; the third largest city in Miami-Dade County and the thirty-third (33) municipality to be incorporated in Miami-Dade County.