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### A CAREER PATHWAY INITIATIVE

*"City of Miami Gardens share local government career experience with students"*

**(MIAMI, January 11, 2012)** – Young people residing in the city of Miami Gardens will have an opportunity to earn \$10-12 per hour job shadowing city administrators from the city of Miami Gardens, thanks to the \$100,000 awarded by South Florida Workforce Investment Board (SFWIB).

The Miami Garden's Internship project affords young people ages 16-21 an opportunity to be paired with administrators from various departments at the city of Miami Gardens to gain hands-on learning and unique experiences under the guidance of skilled adults.

"This career pathway experience promotes economic development by providing the framework for young people to gain the knowledge and skills needed to excel in high-skilled and high-wage careers of the future," said Rick Beasley, executive director for the South Florida Workforce Investment Board.

The Miami Gardens' Internship project is expected to commence in January 2012, and will target 10 young adults (five high school and five college students). A proof of residency and income eligibility are required to qualify for this project. Qualified applicants will be required to work up to 20 hours per week.

### About South Florida Workforce Investment Board

South Florida Workforce Investment Board is a public-private partnership and integral partner in Miami-Dade's economic plan that initiates state and federally funded workforce development and training policies for Miami-Dade and Monroe counties. Additionally, South Florida Workforce services and resources are available to everyone at no cost through a network of Career Centers located throughout the Region.

For more information on the Miami Gardens' Internship, contact Youth Services Division at 305 594-7615 ext. 292.

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