

**City of Fort Lauderdale
Public Works Department
Sustainability Division
STAR Winner – April 2013**

Ebony Pardo, Administrative Aide

Ebony joined the City of Fort Lauderdale as an Administrative Aide in March of 2012 in the midst of launching the City's massive conversion to single-stream recycling, known as "Mix it. Curb it." This project had multiple moving parts and was well underway when Ebony started. On her first day, Ebony jumped right in, and she has been non-stop ever since.

Ebony has been at the helm of a variety of educational outreach programs and events, such as *Earth Day Every Day*, *America Recycles Day*, and *LauderScape*. Some of her noteworthy accomplishments include:

- Aiding in the ambitious deployment of nearly 40,000, 65-gallon recycling carts and assisting with all facets of its outreach campaign;
- Collaborating with the 24-hour Customer Service Center to troubleshoot residents' concerns and inquiries regarding "Mix it. Curb it";
- Planning events for America Recycles Day in November 2012 at the Museum of Discovery and Science (MODS) – a school program in collaboration with MODS, and an award ceremony for members the City's Green Your Routine volunteer program;
- And, conducting several recycling demonstrations and presentations for residents and students, as well as attending residential events as a representative for the Public Works Department.

Ebony is quick-to-learn, very detail-oriented, and displays poise, professionalism, and enthusiasm in all she does. She has an exorbitant will to learn and is a friendly, respectful, helpful individual who has adapted to public service work seamlessly.

For her meticulous work ethic and the level of care she demonstrates to her colleagues and City residents, Ebony is being presented with the April 2013 STAR Award.

