## City of Fort Lauderdale STAR Winner - September, 2013

## **Craig Barrett and Luis Oliveira**

**Craig Barrett -** joined the City of Fort Lauderdale in June 2007 as an Engineering Technician. He has since earned several promotions and is currently a Survey/CADD Coordinator.

**Luis Oliveira -** joined the City in December 2002 as an Engineering Technician. He has since earned several promotions and is currently a Project Manager I.

Both Craig and Luis are skilled Geographic Information System (GIS) users, which has allowed the Utilities Engineering section to quickly generate database maps, diagrams, and calculations.

Prior to working for the City, Craig gained an extensive programming skillset that is not required in his current position. Craig, on his own initiative, has used this skillset to develop and implement programs that automate some of the Engineering Division's common functions. This, in turn, simplifies the process of creating and modifying CADD/GIS drawings.

Luis creatively calculated water consumption values for pump stations using the utility billing database, reducing the amount of time needed to complete this task. In the past, this effort required two weeks of site visits and manual calculations. In addition, Luis is being recognized for his due diligence and efforts with closing the Florida Department of Health in Broward County's 25 pending permits and for locating and assembling the as-built information for all *WaterWorks* 2011 projects.

It gives the STAR Committee great pleasure to present Craig and Luis the September 2013 STAR Award for working above and beyond their Utilities Engineering duties and delivering excellence in service.

