

# SHARRON MITCHELL- BROWN



Sharron Mitchell – Brown, is a graduate of Rutgers University, Graduate School- Newark New Jersey, with a Master of Public Administration (MPA) degree. She is duly initiated into the National Honor Society for Public Affairs & Administration “*Pi Alpha Alpha*”. Kean College of New Jersey is where she received a Bachelor of Arts in Sociology;

Employed with the City of Plainfield since 1993, Sharron has always had a passion for helping others especially the youth and senior citizens. As an experienced administrator she has demonstrated skills in managing, developing and coordinating effective programs for Elders and Youth in the community.

Sharron is blessed to have the pleasure of doing what she loves. Director of the Plainfield Senior Citizens Center (2002- present) she has implemented programs that enrich their daily lives. The seniors are provided with resources and encouraged to partake and learn about various recreational and social service programs through various agencies offered at the local, county and state level.

Sharron has been the recipient of various grant awards that enhance the day to day activities at the senior center such as: Community Development Block grant dollars, Division on Aging grant dollars, Arts Cultural & Heritage dollars and NJ Transit grant, just to name a few.

An active member of:

- United Plainfield Housing Corporation, Board of Directors,
- Chairwoman, for the Union County Advisory Council on Aging,
- National Council of Negro Women,
- Friends of the Plainfield Senior Center, non profit
- Ruth Fellowship Ministries in Plainfield, NJ

Prior to becoming the Director of the Plainfield Senior Citizen’s Center; Sharron was the Director of the Safe Haven Program (1993 to 2002) and under the mentorship of the late Pepsi Charles (Recreation Dept. City of Plainfield), Sharron was able to touch the lives of so many of our youth through the success of the program. The Safe Haven Program also provided the families with additional education, recreation and mentoring resources.

She believes the best part is seeing the young ones grow into positive adults, with families of their own. Whenever they come back and visit, they tell of their success and how the program has made a difference in their lives.

When Sharron is asked what is her greatest accomplishment she speaks of being a mother and the joy her children bring to her. Her beautiful children are Khara, Shona & Solomon Brown, who is in the Army serving our country in Korea; Sharron is also Grandmother of 3.