



# In the Spotlight

*Highlighting Exceptional Employees*

## Sabrina Farrar

**Housing Officer I**

**Joined Town:** June 29, 1989

Teamwork is essential in the busy Housing Department. Sabrina's responsibilities include managing the public housing and transfer waiting lists, filling vacant apartments, overseeing the community service program which requires that all adults (unless exempted) in a household perform eight hours of service each month, and maintaining department web pages and publications.

Sabrina says, "If you have trust, cooperation, and put forth your best effort, it makes a good-functioning, healthy team." She says she has learned a lot from her co-workers, who are very helpful.

To Sabrina, the biggest challenge is not having enough housing for everyone who needs it. She enjoys helping people and getting to know people in the community, and she likes that her job gives her opportunities to be creative, like creating a calendar using artwork from children in the community.

Sabrina is very involved in Town committees, and has just started with the Employee Forum. She has served on a number of other committees, including web stewards, the Health Care Task Force and Employee Appreciation.

Sabrina lives in Hillsborough with her

husband Wesley and has two sons, Andre and Torrell. Her first grandson, Elijah, joined the family in March, and Sabrina is enjoying being a "nana."

Sabrina is active in her church and was recently appointed to the Orange County Rape Crisis Board. She loves shopping, visiting New York and traveling. She just returned from a trip to Kenya in November, where she spent two weeks mentoring and counseling high school students, assisting with construction of a school, and giving out supplies and clothes.

In addition to her busy work and volunteer schedule, Sabrina is working on a bachelor's degree in social work from Barton College in Wilson, where she takes classes on weekends. She expects to finish in 2011.

**Our Value:** "Sabrina is a true team player. If there's a task that needs

### Value in the Spotlight

## Teamwork

cooperative • mission-focused • strength shared decisions • consequence awareness relationships • enhancement of resources



to be done, she will pitch right in. Many times she has become a team leader."

— Public Housing Director Tina Vaughn

### Senior Management Team Values

In November 2007, the Town's Senior Management Team adopted the following set of values to guide their behavior and decisions. These values are Ethics, Social Equity, Professionalism, Respect, Innovation



and Teamwork. It is the intent of the Town Manager and the Senior Management Team to strengthen the organization with a commonly held set of values that drive our mission and objectives.