Sharon Lewis Mathis has lived in Polk County, Florida, all her life.

A graduate of St. Leo University with a BA in Human Resources Management.

I have over 44 years of public service, including 40 years with the Board of County Commissioners and 4 years in the federal government. My work life has always been in the capacity of assisting Polk County residents in gaining proper training to obtain jobs to help their families.

I have over 10 years of vendor management where I assist vendors in the proper way to set up their businesses so they can be competitive in obtaining bids with local government and companies within Polk County.

Has served and continues to serve on multiple boards in Polk County. They are Teen Pregnancy Council where we educate at-risk youth ages 12-17 on how not to become pregnant at an early age. We have different programs for them to attend during the year.

ICAPS (Industry Council Advisory Panel) is a panel established for residents to collaborate with various industries in Polk County, including TECO, Duke Energy, and Armaz, among others. At our monthly meetings, we address residents' concerns with the relevant industry representatives.

Mosaic Advisory Council design for residents if they have any questions about the mining area, we discuss those during the meetings.

Bradley Community Project Incorporated served as secretary for over 20 years and has served as president for the last 5 years. This is a non-profit group designed by the late Frankie Smith to win back our community from drug infestation. We received grants to support the community park and center. Quad City NAACP WIN chairperson.

I have received several awards for community service. Drum Major for Justice (Haines City NAACP., She Knows where she is going Girls Inc., Economic empowerment award from National Coalition of one hundred Black Women Polk County Chapter.

I enjoy serving others and the Community Relations Advisory Council would be within my commitment to service.