

## Amanda

Amanda knows the mission of CADC - fighting poverty, improving communities and working hand in hand with families to develop solutions, overcome problems and develop effective long-term solutions.

But she also knows firsthand how that mission is helping her.

Amanda is a 25-year-old college graduate. The social work major had trouble finding a job to support her family. For more than 5 months, Amanda searched fruitlessly for a job that could help her make ends meet. She and her husband shared a vehicle, making it even more difficult to find employment. She was discouraged, and admits she felt like she wasn't contributing to her family's success.

At CADC, Amanda found an opportunity to succeed. She is employed as a temporary Family Development Specialist, where she helps families with the resources and support they need to achieve their goals and move out of poverty. Now she puts her education to work and is gaining invaluable experience for her next opportunity.

Her life-changing experience provides her first-hand experience with helping motivate families. Amanda and her husband could finally afford to purchase another vehicle. Now she is focused on helping families take advantage of every opportunity for success in life.



*Amanda states  
ARRA funding  
gave her a job—  
leveling the  
playing field for  
her family,  
providing an  
opportunity for  
economic  
advancement.*