



# Success Spotlight

**I**n 2012, Linda initially came in to ELC's office with a protective service referral. After her case was closed, she maintained her child care as an income-eligible client.

Linda had been attending school as a full-time student at St. Johns River State College when her husband unfortunately had to face jail time. Subsequently, Linda was unable to stay in school since she could no longer afford it and also lost her child care for her son.

Since Linda was such a caring mother, this devastated her even more than being unable to attend school. She expressed that her son loved learning and she could see him falling behind his peers due to him missing child care.

Hearing this news, ELC advised the client to apply for cash assistance, which would make her qualify for child care again.

Linda took ELC's advice and came in last month during walk-in hours with great news of her employment with her first job!

Linda's charisma and excitement resonated throughout the ELC office that many of the representatives expressed how happy they were for her. Excited about her new milestone, Linda said she is now going to save her money so she can enroll back in school in the near future.