## **ALLIED WOMEN'S CENTER SUCCESS STORIES**

## **HEIDI T.**AWC CLIENT

"I was 16 years old when I came to Allied Women's Center. I was scared and so afraid that I was pregnant. I had decided to have an abortion and not let anyone know about it. But after I viewed a film at the Center, I realized that I was actually carrying a baby, and that abortion was wrong. I decided to keep my baby. For the next two years the folks at Allied were there for me. They encouraged me every step of the way to stay in school and made me understand the importance of a good education as I would be the sole provider for my child. Allied helped me with diapers every week. Most importantly, they gave me caring and wise counsel that helped me graduate last May at the top of my class, and obtain a scholarship to a college where I'm now a full-time student. They continue to help me in other ways. My relationship with my parents is now the best it has ever been, and my mom takes care of my baby girl when I'm in classes. From the bottom of my heart I want to thank all those involved with Allied Women's Center! I know that my baby and I would not be where we are today without their help."