

Danielle

Danielle is originally from Cameroon. She has lived in the UK for just 6 months and is new to Birmingham - she joined ACH just 4 months ago.

After having faced a difficult experience in Cameroon, the UK seemed like a fresh start for Danielle. However, upon arrival, Danielle did not know where or who to turn to. Danielle met with her support worker at ACT every fortnight, who allocated time each session for advising her on what to do with regards to her housing, employment, education, and further training.

She is very well educated after having gained a degree in Law in Cameroon as well as working as a Branch Manager in a Bank there. She has gained experience in Finance and Accounting but has limited experience of UK systems and processes.

Danielle was first supported in applying for her Driving Licence and is now preparing her Theory and Practice lessons. The next step was to apply for her Travel Documents (still in process). In order to solve her housing issues, her support worker has assisted her in applying to join the Housing Register.

Danielle feels she needs to acquire some new skills to fit into the UK working environment. This is the reason she was advised to apply to NARIK, in order to work towards gaining the equivalent of her law degree. After this, she plans to apply to other courses she wants to do. Danielle has also been supported in applying for a work placement with BITC.

Through Danielle's commitment to making progress, supported by ACH, she has achieved a lot in a very short space of time. She is now undertaking interviews for paid employment and being supported in her search for employment; a target her support worker feels she is very close to achieving.