

**From: Code for America**

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**Re: Bio - Amanda Renteria, CEO - Code for America**

Amanda has had a unique and diverse career starting out in the financial industry, moving to education as a teacher in her small hometown community, and finally spending the majority of her career in public service.

She is currently the CEO of Code for America, a nonprofit organization that helped launch the civic tech ecosystem ten years ago, and today partners with federal and state public servants to create equitable government systems “by the people, for the people, in the digital age.” Code for America is focused on four areas of work:

- Strengthening the social safety net (GetCalFresh, GetCTC)
- Ensuring families have access to tax benefits (GetYourRefund, GetCTC)
- Shrinking the reach of the criminal legal system (ClearMyRecord)
- Fostering active civic engagement across the country (85+ Brigades and 25,000+ volunteers)

Prior to Code for America, Amanda served as the Chief of Operations at the California Department of Justice overseeing 1,000 public servants and an \$850 million budget, National Political Director during the 2016 presidential campaign, and a Chief of Staff in the United States Senate during one of the most productive legislative periods in our country’s history. During her tenure in the Senate, she was part of the bipartisan chiefs steering committee and named as one of the most influential staffers by Roll Call. She was involved in a number of legislative efforts, including the reforms in agriculture and nutrition as the Chief of Staff to the Chairwoman of the Agriculture Committee; the recovery of auto industry and new efforts for alternative energy investments; maternity care, mental health parity, and Alzheimer’s research as part of the Affordable Care Act; and international trade negotiations and tax incentives as a contributor to the Finance Committee.

Amanda grew up in a small, agricultural town in the Central Valley of California, holds degrees from Stanford University and Harvard Business School, and currently lives in northern California with her husband and two very energetic kids. Her hope is that their generation will grow up seeing the power of government as a force for good in people’s lives.