

## **RAHWA**

My name is Rahwa. I am from Eritrea and I was born in small town called Senafe, Eritrea. For some reasons I and my family moved from Eritrea to Ethiopia. I was living with Eritrean refugees in Ethiopia in a refugee camp. Living as refugee in camp was hard, because we did not have any job opportunities and we did not have enough food. We were refugees in Ethiopia, however after some years living camp we got chance to come to United States of America.

The first time we arrived in Manchester, MA USA in May 2017. When we were in that place life was very hard, because we did not speak English, and we did not understand English. Our case worker completely did not help us. We did not know how to get food, how to use laundry to wash our clothes, and other things. I have no idea what the problem of our case worker was. She did not help us in that place and for that reason we decided to move from Manchester to Buffalo New York.

Since July first, 2017 my family and I have been living here in Buffalo. Thanks to God Buffalo is the best place for me. Currently my father is working, my sisters and brothers are attending school to get self-reliant and to achieve their careers. I hope next year I will speak English fluently and I am attending school to get self-reliant and to learn English and other high school subjects so can prepare to go to college to become a nurse and help my family.