### Anglican United Refugee Alliance - AURA **Financial Summary** YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2018

Income	2018	2017
Anglican Diocese of Toronto	\$ 59,640	\$ 52,372
Anglican Church - Individual	1,850	13,915
<b>United Church - Toronto Conf.</b>	35,000	35,000
<b>United Church - SE Presbytery</b>	15,000	15,300
United Church Other	3,327	5,016
Total Private Donations	38,057	30,174
Foundations & Grants	7,419	26,146
Interest income	639	18
	\$ 160,932	\$ 177,941
Expenses		
Total Payroll Expenses	144,604	118,691
Total Office Expenses	25,118	26,723
Rent	10,698	10,200
Professional Fees	6,374	4,406
Insurance	2,452	2,921
	\$ 189,246	\$ 162,941
Excess (Deficiency) of		
Revenues over Expenses	\$ (28,314)	\$ 15,000

# **How AURA Uses Funding**

AURA relies on the generosity of compassionate donors. Your support makes it possible for AURA to provide the following services:



## **Refugee Case Management**

- Matching cases with sponsors
- 25% Refugee application development
  - Refugee application tracking

# **Settlement Supports**

- Settlement planning
- 35% Regulation monitoring
  - Troubleshooting

## **Capacity Building & Education**



- Sponsorship training
- 40% Resource development
  - Website and Social Media



"The sponsorship has been without a doubt the most valuable experience of my life."

~ Stan, Refugee Sponsor

# **About AURA**

Our Vision: AURA empowers and enables communities to welcome refugees. We see all Canadians working together to help support and guide refugees as they make new lives here in Canada.

Our Mission: AURA is a Canadian charitable organization assisting in the sponsorship and resettlement of refugees. Our mission is to provide support and expertise to groups involved in refugee sponsorship and resettlement.

#### **AURA Board of Directors**



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**Working Together To Help Refugees** 



2018 **Annual Report**  Here at AURA, we continue to be amazed and inspired by the generosity and dedication of sponsors, the resiliency and strength of refugee newcomers, and the magic that happens when people come together.

Thanks to your support, refugees are welcomed to Canada by well equipped sponsors and communities grow through the experience.

So many lives have been profoundly changed in 2018 and we look forward to 2019.

~The AURA Board of Directors & Staff

When you support

AURA, you empower

local communities to

you give families a

welcome strangers and

chance to live in peace and safety. This is what that looked like in 2018 for a few of the families sponsored through 2018
BY THE NUMBERS



460

Refugee Sponsors

45,000+
Volunteer Hours



20 Fraining Workshops

86





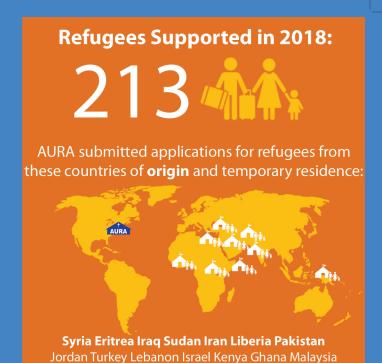
Longstanding Core Funders

6 d

Ride for Refuge Teams

121 🍣

**Private Donors** 



~Henry, Refugee Sponsor

# "It is a privilege to be part of someone's new beginning"

Wasim, Zelal and their daughter Meryem were sponsored to Toronto through the Blended Visa Office Referred program. Summer 2018 marked the end of their yearlong sponsorship, and a few months later they welcomed their second daughter, baby Sham.

"The sponsors are our second family in this world. We would like to say thank you to everyone who helped us here in Canada." ~Wasim and Zelal The Moradi Zadeh Family was sponsored by a comunity group working with an Anglican Parish and AURA.



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"When you have someone to help you go through so many challenges, we know that we are not alone in our new country and that there are people ready to unconditionally support us."

~Paniz, 18 yr old daughter

In 2018 they partnered with their sponsors to bring another Iranian refugee family to Canada from Turkey.

One of AURA's 2018 arrivals was an Eritrean family of 4. Biniam, Samwrait and their kids, Melael and Betiher were welcomed by family members in Toronto and a collective of churches that has been sponsoring for

of churches that has been sponsoring for decades. After being in Uganda for 7 years, they now call west-end Toronto home.



We would like to thank the families for allowing us to share their stories and pictures.



To learn more about these stories and more, please visit:

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