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ECE® Aid Updates

Dear Friends,

We're in the midst of spring, and ECE® Aid is on track with assisting more students and job seekers than ever before. Thanks to your kindness and generosity we've already been able to complete 20 free credential evaluations for refugees and other at-risk people from around the world this year. That means 20 more students and job seekers have a little more peace of mind knowing they won't have to worry about their academic achievements going unnoticed.

You know the power a credential evaluation has on saving both time and money for one's education. Likewise, for job seekers a credential evaluation can make the difference in a hiring decision.

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ECE® Aid Recipient Story Bruktawit from Ethiopia

Thanks to ECE® Aid participants like <u>Lutheran</u>
<u>Family Services Rocky Mountains</u>, we are
privileged to work with dedicated, hardworking
mothers like Bruktawit.

Currently a stay-at-home mom, Bruktawit received her master's degree in Developmental Psychology two years ago in Ethiopia. Now she

is hoping to continue her education and career, becoming a nurse in the U.S.

More crucial than ever, the world certainly needs the invaluable skills of nurses. ECE is proud to be a small part of the story for this strong mother and future healthcare hero!

"I am glad you offer me the ECE® evaluation for free. That will help me to pursue my education. Thank you!" - Bruktawit

From all of us at ECE, thank you and good luck to you, Bruktawit!

ECE® Aid Recipient Story

Elena A. from Russia

Elena, her husband, and their two daughters came to Oshkosh, WI, in December 2018 seeking ideological asylum. Elena is a qualified psychologist with a master's degree from Tver State Technical University in Russia.

"Thanks to ECE, I feel free to pursue my career goals. On the one hand, I am thinking of becoming a school counselor. But on the other hand, my passion in life is to work in the beauty industry. I would really love to look into obtaining a license for that, too. My current goal is to improve my English so that I am fully prepared to pursue my dreams. I am very grateful to ECE for the opportunity to be an ECE® Aid fee waiver recipient.



It means so much to me and my family. We are relatively new in the country, and we are still learning to navigate our lives in a new environment, and as you know, it takes time to become financially stable. So getting my credentials evaluated for free made a big difference!" - Elena A.

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With gratitude,

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