

Hi Everyone,

I am sending you this email because you had expressed interest in how the Kanata Stittsville Refugee Sponsorship Group was assisting Syrian refugees.

I have wonderful news. Rouba Kaba arrived in Ottawa last night about 9:15 pm after an eight hour delay in Cairo. She was extremely tired, but thrilled to see her sister, brother-in-law and niece at the bottom of the escalator. Doug and Pam Kendall were also at the airport as was my wife Ruth and I. Rouba will be staying with her sister for the first while, until we get her apartment settled, which we are arranging with Minto to do in the same building as her sister. We will let you know what items we will be needing for the apartment and when. Rouba is from Homs, Syria and had been living in Beirut Lebanon. We had submitted her sponsorship application about one year ago. She has several family members here in Ottawa who will offer her a lot of support. She had previously worked as an airline ticket agent, so her English is quite good, which will help her greatly. Rouba is the second person from Syria whom we have sponsored, and we have also submitted an application for another family and are awaiting news about when they might arrive.

Thank you for your support and interest. I have recently reduced the number of people on this email list, but if you would prefer not to receive future emails, especially about ways to help us support the refugees we are sponsoring from Syria, please let me know.

Yours In Common Purpose,

Rev. Grant Dillenbeck.
Stittsville United Church