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Dear partners and friends,

Welcome to a new year of partnership and possibility. We're grateful to stand alongside you as we continue our shared work of helping New Americans overcome language and cultural barriers to accessing healthcare.

Last year alone, we delivered 38,493 critical services to 2,886 individuals and families across our communities, providing culturally responsive support where it's needed most. For this, we thank you for your collaboration and trust. This impact is only possible because of the strong relationships we've built together.

As we look ahead, we're excited for another year of collaboration and meaningful impact. Thank you for being an essential part of the EHA's community—we look forward to all we'll accomplish together.

With appreciation,

Jean de Dieu Mukunzi, MPH, PMP
Founder/Executive Director



Read With Me: Where Stories, Language, and Culture Come Together

Imagine a child opening a book and seeing their home language, their culture, and their story reflected on the page. That's the heart of Read With Me (Soma Pamoja Nami / Dusomere Hamwe / انوعد أرقن / اعم)—a bilingual reading initiative created to support early literacy while celebrating African cultures within Kettering's new Americans families.



the most powerful learning happens when adults and children read side by side. The program culminates in two joyful community celebrations at the Kettering–Moraine Library Branch. The first took place on February 2, 2026, and the next is scheduled for February 23, 2026, at Wilmington Stroop. Led by caring volunteers and community health workers, these events bring stories to life through lively storytime experiences, a creative African-inspired craft activity, and a free bilingual book for every family. These gatherings are designed to be welcoming, hands-on, and fun—spaces where

Designed for children and youth ages 0–17, Read With Me provides families with free bilingual children’s books in Swahili-English, Arabic-English, and Kinyarwanda, Spanish-English. These books do more than teach reading skills—they help children stay connected to their roots while building confidence in English, and they invite parents and caregivers to share meaningful reading moments across generations.

At its core, the program promotes cultural pride, learning together as families, and positive parenting, recognizing that some of

families can connect, learn, and celebrate together.

Read With Me is proudly sponsored by the Community Foundation for Kettering, a component fund of The Dayton Foundation, whose support helps ensure that children in our community grow up surrounded by stories that reflect who they are. Because every child deserves to see themselves in a book, parents are also invited for an experience that honors language, culture and the joy of reading.

How One Connection Helped Restore Jeanette Antoinette's Confidence

Dayton: Jeanette Antoinette is a 37-year-old single mother of seven from the Democratic Republic of Congo. Antoinette was first connected to Ebenezer Healthcare Access through Job Muhire, a community health worker(CHW), shortly after arriving in the United States. At the time, Antoinette was missing seven teeth—four on the bottom and three on the top, a condition that deeply impacted her confidence. She often felt ashamed and avoided social interactions within her community.

After connecting with EHA from Texas, Antoinette’s life began to change. The organization helped her establish care

with both a primary care doctor and a dentist and ensured she had reliable transportation to and from her appointments. For the first time in a long while, Antoinette felt truly supported during an incredibly difficult season of her life.

Today, all seven of her teeth have been replaced. Antoinette smiles confidently again and no longer feels embarrassed or ashamed. She shares deep gratitude for EHA, saying the only way she can repay the organization is by asking blessings upon it. Her heart is full of thankfulness for the dignity, care, and hope that EHA helped restore in her life.

EHA Connects Families to Essential Community Resources

Ebenezer Healthcare Access (EHA) remains deeply committed to its core mission of supporting clients by helping meet their everyday needs. Through ongoing home visits and open conversations, Nadine Kampire, EHA’s Community Health Worker, identified a family facing challenges related to limited household supplies—specifically diapers and children’s clothing.



Kampire took proactive steps to identify community-based resources that could provide immediate material support. On January 23, 2026, she connected with Chrysalis Community Development Agency, a nonprofit organization in Hamilton Ohio that confirmed its ability to assist families with diapers and children’s clothing for children up to five years old. This generous support brings relief to the family and ensures their children have access to essential items that promote comfort, health, and dignity. Families receiving support from Chrysalis Community Development Agency can obtain up to 50 diapers per child each month. To receive assistance, clients must visit the agency in person and bring a valid ID, along with the child’s birth certificate or Social Security documentation.

EHA appreciates Chrysalis Community Development Agency for helping expand care beyond its walls, uplifting families and supporting their well-being when it matters most.

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