

Your Impact

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Mission & Service—helping transform and save lives, inspire meaning and purpose, and build a better world.

Thank You for Believing: Arwa's Story

We all need someone who believes in us. Someone who supports our dreams. When you give to Mission & Service, you are that someone.

Three years ago, Arwa was a Palestinian refugee who had just arrived in Montreal. She had made a harrowing journey, travelling from Saudi Arabia through New York City with three children.

"It wasn't easy for me. I was a single mom in a new country. I was struggling for housing and looking for a job. It wasn't easy at all," she says.

Arwa sought help at Montreal City Mission, an outreach ministry your Mission & Service gifts support. There, her whole family found belonging and support. It wasn't long before Arwa gathered a group



Photo: Arwa Nofal

***"I consider myself a lucky person that I got to know this organization. It has become not only my full-time job, not only my provider. It has become my home."* —Arwa**

of women together to form a catering cooperative called Women Weaving Their Dreams, which specializes in Middle Eastern meals. The women were becoming more financially secure when COVID-19 struck.

No stranger to hardship, Arwa was determined to help others through the pandemic. She initiated a sewing

circle to make masks. The group made over 500 masks a week for frontline workers and those living in poverty. Your gifts through Mission & Service support peoples' dreams for a better life. Amazing people like Arwa, who in turn make their communities and our country stronger.