



**African Diaspora Association of the Maritimes**  
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### **ADAM Welcomes 35 refugees from Ethiopia and Kenya**

**Halifax, NS** – The African Diaspora Association of the Maritimes (ADAM), will be welcoming 27 out of 35 refugees at the Halifax Stanfield Int'l Airport on Tuesday, November, 20, 2018. These families are coming to Canada through the Blended Visa Office-Referred (BVOR) Program. ADAM and Universalist Unitarian Church of Halifax (UUCH) have been working on this process for the past 4 months.

ADAM board members, UUCH and some volunteers would be the first point of contact for these families as they make Nova Scotia their new home. The arrivals will be as follows:

- **Nov. 20<sup>th</sup>, 2018, arrival of Twenty seven (27) refugees from Ethiopia**
- **Nov. 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2018 arrival of Eight (8) refugees from Kenya**

In accordance with Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada (IRCC) 685 refugees will be settled in 49 Canadian communities by the end of the year 2018, thanks to the combined efforts of sponsors, private donors, and the government.

Being part of this initiative is particularly important because ADAM has been working relentlessly for the past 10 years to help refugees from many African countries who have been victims of war and other crises. This new intake is a great step in the fulfilment of ADAM's mandate.

Through this initiative, the African Diaspora Association of the Maritimes (ADAM) is pledging to continue helping refugees and other vulnerable immigrants and plead with all benevolent groups and individuals to join ADAM with your donations and support. We implore all Maritimers to show love and help these families as they settle in Nova Scotia.

**NOTE: Meeting point shall be at the domestic arrival gate of the Airport**

**Time:** 6:00 pm AST.

**Where:** 1 Bell Boulevard, Enfield, NS B2T 1E4, Nova Scotia - Canada

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