

UBUNTU I AM BECAUSE WE ARE

Dear Friend,

For the past twelve years, the **Refugee and Migrant Women's Initiative (RAMWI)** has been a steadfast pillar of support, providing community-focused, trauma-informed psycho-social programming and services for refugee and migrant women and their families in the Tampa Bay area. As we continue to grow, we adapt to meet the evolving needs of those we serve, ensuring that healing, empowerment, and belonging remain at the heart of our mission.

On April 24, 2025, we invite you to join us for an evening inspired by the African philosophy of Ubuntu: "I am because We are". Ubuntu emphasizes community, interconnectedness, empathy, and shared humanity, reminding us that we are formed by those we surround ourselves with, and our strength is rooted in our collective support for one another. **This year's fundraiser will celebrate the strength of community, the resilience of the women we serve and highlight the transformative power of compassion and belonging.**

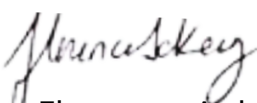
We are planning an intimate experience designed to foster meaningful connections. With your generous table sponsorship, you will be recognized and celebrated among a dynamic audience. As part of our commitment to equitable access, your sponsorship will enable a RAMWI community member to join your table, enriching our collective celebration.

Now, more than ever, nonprofit organizations like RAMWI need your support. Recent policy changes have drastically reduced funding and support for social services, placing a greater burden on community-led organizations to fill the gaps. While these challenges are significant, our commitment remains unwavering: to provide essential services, create safe spaces for healing, and foster a welcoming environment for those seeking refuge.

Please review the enclosed sponsorship opportunities to learn how you can support RAMWI in creating more pathways for healing, connection, education and empowerment. **Your partnership will bring us closer to our fundraising goal, and allow us to continue serving with compassion, restoring dignity and hope to displaced women and children.**

To partner with us or learn more, visit our events page via the QR code or contact me directly at florence@ramwi.org, (813) 732-4190. Together, we can experience the transformative power of community and stand in solidarity with those rebuilding their lives.

With gratitude,



Florence Ackey
Founder and Executive Director



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RAMWI's Mission:

To empower, engage, and support refugee and migrant women as they resettle in the Tampa Bay area.

RAMWI Currently Serves Women from:

Algeria, Nicaragua, Colombia, Congo, Syria, Iraq, Ivory Coast, Eritrea, Mexico, Uganda, Kenya, Ethiopia, Central African Republic, Afghanistan, Sudan, Egypt, Haiti, Cuba, Venezuela, Ukraine, Kurdistan, Lebanon, Jordan, and welcomes women from all over the globe.

RAMWI's History:

In 2013, Florence Ackey, MSW, observed a critical need for mental health support as she worked in refugee health services. Although women received services for their physical needs, their social isolation was overwhelming, compounding the trauma that they were trying to overcome. Florence founded RAMWI as a response.

RAMWI's Impact:

In 2024 alone, RAMWI assisted over 120 families in receiving essential community resources, food support, disaster relief, employment readiness training, and more. With the support of volunteers, donors, and local partners, we were able to host 9 wellness support groups and 3 mental health healing circles, as well as distribute 300 essential needs kits after the devastating effects of Hurricanes Helene and Milton.

Event Details:

This event will take place on Thursday, April 24, 2025, from 6:00-8:30 pm at the South Tampa campus of Grace Family Church, located at 4479 W. Gandy Blvd, Tampa, FL 33611.

Doors will open at 6:00 pm for hors d'oeuvres, a Sew Much Hope pop-up shop, and networking. Programming and dinner will begin at 7:00 pm.

Find out more at www.RAMWI.org, or use the QR code to secure your tickets to our event.





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Table Sponsorship Opportunities

Advocate (\$5,000)

As an **Advocate**, you will receive:

- 14 seats for your chosen guests, with an additional 2 seats sponsored for RAMWI members,
- Organization logo or name on tabletop and event signage,
- Full page recognition in event program,
- Sponsorship acknowledgment in quarterly newsletter,
- Recognition on social media (4 posts),
- Verbal recognition by event MC,
- Recognition on RAMWI's website Wall of Honor for a year,
- Present Women of Impact Award to Advocate and Catalyst for Change Awardee.

Partner (\$2,500)

As a **Partner**, you will receive:

- 7 seats for your chosen guests, with an additional seat sponsored for a RAMWI member,
- Organization logo or name on tabletop and event signage,
- Half-page recognition in event program,
- Sponsorship acknowledgment in quarterly newsletter,
- Recognition on social media (2 posts),
- Verbal recognition by event MC,
- Recognition on RAMWI's website Wall of Honor through June 30, 2025.

Supporter (\$1,800)

As a **Supporter**, you will receive:

- 7 seats for your chosen guests, with an additional seat sponsored for a RAMWI member,
- Organization logo or name on tabletop and event signage,
- Sponsorship acknowledgment in quarterly newsletter,
- Recognition on social media (1 post),
- Verbal recognition by event MC.