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Testimony from Adila Adili of Springfield, VT  
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Hello,

My name is Adila Adili. I am very pleased to be here today. Thank you for giving me this opportunity.

I am originally from Afghanistan, and I have been in the United States for eight months.

I am a student in the Vermont Adult Learning program. This program supported me greatly and has an important place in my life.

When I first arrived in the United States, everything was new and unfamiliar to me. My English was weak, and I felt shy and anxious. It was difficult for me to speak with others, take appointments, and I didn't understand important information.

Very simple tasks were challenging for me. speaking on the phone, and asking questions were not easy. I wanted to make progress, but I did not know how to begin.

Then I joined the Vermont Adult Learning program, and that was a major step forward for me.

The teachers in this program are very kind, patient, and caring. They understand our difficulties and our problems and guide us step by step. They always motivate us and help us gain confidence.

In this program, I have improved my speaking, listening, and understanding of English. Now I can communicate with others more easily and feel more at ease in my daily life.

It is very good This program provides both in-person and online classes, which is very beneficial.

Sometimes we are unable to attend class in person. During those times, online classes allow us to continue our education. We do not miss our lessons, and we can continue.

In addition, when we face difficulties in life, this program stands by us. They listen to us and help us find answers for our problems . They care about us not only as learners, but also as human beings.

This support means a great deal to me. It helps me feel strong and reminds me that I am not alone.

Because of this program, I have become more self-confident. I can do and solve more things on my own, understand my work better, and connect with others more .

Now I feel that I am part of the community. I am no longer as afraid as I used to be, and I feel more hopeful about my future.

This program is very valuable for many people like me. It offers us education, encouragement, and the chance for a better life.

I would like to sincerely thank all the teachers, staff members, and everyone who supports this program.

Please continue supporting adult learning programs, because they truly transform lives.  
Thank you for your time.