



Meet a few of our Refugee Voices and Ambassador speakers!

Antoinette is from the Democratic Republic of the Congo. She arrived in the United States 15 years ago but moved to Richmond several years ago. She was violently forced from her village when she was a teenager and spent many years in a refugee camp until she came to the United States. She moved to Richmond to minister to newly arriving family members and worked as a nursing aide. She currently is an interpreter for ReEstablish Richmond and works in the healthcare industry.

Jalal is from Afghanistan. He arrived in Richmond in February of 2015. Jalal had to leave his home because his life was threatened because of his work with the United States in the US mission in Afghanistan. In Afghanistan, he was a Human Resources Director He currently works in a Bank as a Software Test Engineer and hopes to open his own business one day.

Sally is from Iraq. Sally arrived in Richmond with her family about five years ago. She currently is studying to earn her GED and works with ReEstablish Richmond as an interpreter and is a fun and engaging speaker.

Elham is from Sudan. Elham is an advocate, community health navigator, community facilitator, and a student of Justice and peacebuilding at Eastern Mennonite University.

Please note that speakers have limited availability so accommodating specific requests may be difficult.