



Testimonial: Ligia

Spring 2019

**OUR SHARED
VISION**

**Safe and
thriving
children and
youth**

**Empowered
families**

**Stronger
communities**

Within her first few days in Canada, Ligia came to volunteer at our agency, and has been coming back whenever her schedule allows, because she likes it here. She says “The people here are happy and friendly, and I like to be around them.”

18-year-old Ligia and her mother came to Hamilton in Summer 2018 from Brazil so that Ligia’s mom could pursue post-secondary education at Mohawk College. Ligia spoke some English, but Portuguese is her native tongue. Within a couple days of settling into a temporary apartment, Ligia asked her host if there was any way that she could make herself useful while waiting for school to start.

Fortunately, her host was our Development Officer, Linda McInnis. Linda suggested that Ligia come and help us get ready for our big fall events, and she has been coming back ever since. She appreciates the opportunity to practice her English skills, and to get to know more people in Hamilton.

We are so impressed that Ligia came to a new country with a different language and immediately jumped in to be helpful. She is an impressive young woman, and we are grateful for her dedication.



Ligia, on the right, is helping Development Officer Linda McInnis to put together chocolate gifts for our staff recognition event.

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