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Linda Olibrice was born in Saint Louis Du Nord, a coastal city in the northwestern part of Haiti. Life over there was not easy, and she did not have the opportunity to learn much in her country. She decided to create a better life for her family and for herself, which is the reason why she decided to come to the United States of America.

When Ms. Olibrice got here, she faced other struggles. Not only did she not know how to speak English, but she was unable to find a job in order to financially support her family due to her lack of occupational skills.

A friend of hers, who was attending Lindsey Hopkins at the time, told her about the SAVES program; therefore, she decided to apply for it in hopes of qualifying for the program and obtaining the help she needed. Linda was fortunate enough to qualify for the program. Since then, her educational life has dramatically changed.

She started from ESOL Foundations and worked her way to the top. The road has not been easy, but she is glad to say that she has passed all her English courses and is now learning a profession –culinary arts. This is the closest Linda has ever been to success, and for that she is truly grateful. She would like to thank the SAVES officials from the bottom of her heart because if it were not for SAVES, she would not be able to achieve all this.

Linda states that SAVES helped her tremendously. She cannot emphasize it enough. It is her wish that this program continue to help other students like herself through their resettlement period when they arrive in the United States until they achieve their educational goals. We wish Linda the very best.



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