## EYAD



## HOME CHOICE SUCCESS STORY

Is life what you expected? For Eyad, life was humming along on a steady path to success. Every facet of life looked promising. Each day welcomed new opportunities, and day-to-day concerns and challenges were chased away with drive and determination.

What if all that changed? What if suddenly your life took an extreme, disabling turn? Where would you go for help? What would you do? For Eyad, discovering he had a rare blood clotting disorder started him on an unexpected journey from uncertainty to hope.

## **Uncertainty**

The feeling of not knowing how to live with this new reality of disability was unsettling. Now each new day looked different than before. Even the view was different. The place that Eyad now called home was a nursing home. He was grateful to have the care he needed, but as the days pressed on, he longed for his independence and a place of his own. Eyad's drive, determination, and positive attitude helped him stay the course. Three years passed before Eyad was connected to WRAAA. This was when a transformative experience occurred.

WRAAA provides choices for people to live independently in the place they want to call home. Eyad was thrilled to know that there was an agency that could produce such an opportunity. WRAAA secured an apartment, helped with initial rent monies, utilized a financial allowance to purchase needed furniture, and provided Eyad with the resources he needed. All continuation of medical care, transportation needs, nutritional needs were considered and taken care of.

"Being connected to WRAAA means a new beginning. A new start. The old Eyad is gone, but the new one is here. As much as I may want the old Eyad back he cannot come back. However, WRAAA provides me with a new path toward success with a new life and something to look forward to. A drive for something new. I have been doing well since becoming connected with WRAAA because WRAAA provided me with a different view of life. When I was in the nursing home I started to lose hope, but WRAAA came around and helped me find hope again." - **Eyad** 

Eyad's journey to independent living is inspiring. "I'm so proud to be a part of an organization that strives to live its mission every day to help people live in the place they want to call home." - **Kim**, Clinical Manager of Interventions. Eyad now has a renewed sense of independence. He can push the uncertainty aside and face each new day with hope. WRAAA is so glad to be a part of his story.