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2024 has been a big year for DeafCAN! We built a new website and rebranded. Take a look at www.deafcanpa.org and see the pictures, videos and stories. Our new slogan is **CARE, COMMUNICATE, CONNECT, COMMUNITY!** It's what we do each day as we seek to help each person thrive.



We hired a new full-time office and finance manager, Connie Wallace, to keep things running so our staff can serve others. We now have a new videophone/computer kiosk in the front office for staff to use with consumers and for them and others to make those important calls and retrieve information and resources.



At left is our **newest Board member,** Atiya Mostardi, along with her son Gio and two of our very active immigrants, Ruth Joy and Mary Grace. At right is Bill with two young men from Brazil and Liberia. Arku, in the middle, became our **newest American citizen** in August. Benette, from Haiti, naturalized in June.



We have designed **a new hybrid classroom** to reach the many students in our refugee/immigrant classes (some wanting to join from other states), literacy classes, and hopefully for the inmates in prisons needing programming, care, and hope. We also hope to start training professionals in health, human services, education, and employment and other arenas to learn some ASL and get tools to provide services to Deaf and hard of hearing consumers who show up at their doors. **The price tag is \$28,000. You can help!**



Although we were denied three proposals to **establish transitional housing for Deaf/HH** who are homeless, leaving prison, domestic violence survivors or impacted by situations out of their control, we have housed several individuals and will not give up!



Our Project 2025 for Good! As we approach the new year, DeafCAN! will celebrate **15 years of serving the Deaf Community.** If you count our work at CHAD, it's 30 years! 75% of our support comes from grants and generous donors like you. We remain the only organization in PA with dedicated services for deaf immigrants/refugees & inmates/returning citizens. **Your referrals and financial help will lift us to achieve our Project 2025 for Good! Thank you from the DeafCAN! team!!!!**