

We were pleased to be welcomed by **Francisca Nweke**, a Nigerian fourth-year student at the Blackstone Parent English class and a 2019 Raising Our Voices Rising Star Student Awardee. Francisca had prepared comments for us, including this:

“I am very thankful to ENB for their contribution to my education, for paying for my learning. It is very important to me to know how to read and write English. I never went to school and never learned how to read and write in my first language which is Igbo.”