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UKRAINIAN FAMILY'S JOURNEY TO SAFETY

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When Jane Shevchuk left her Ukrainian hometown of Mariupol with her two kids in mid-March, she only packed two backpacks and a stroller.

She drove through streets dotted with mines to get to a safer city in eastern Ukraine before continuing the long journey across the western border to Poland to reunite with husband Andrew Shevchuk — then working as a truck driver.

Last week, the family finally landed in Canada to begin life anew.

Now living at a housing residence in Halton, with no relatives or friends, a teary-eyed Jane said through an interpreter (and local

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Andrew and Jane Shevchuk said they were happy to breathe "the sweet air" when they first exited the plane in Canada.

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