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EXPLORE IMMIGRATION – MIGRATION ISSUES

Expertise, adapted to the needs and interests of your organization (faith and non-faith).

FREE movies and presentations

Any size group; metro and greater MN and border cities (note: some locations assistance with gas expense requested). **Provide projector, audio speakers (purchasing a new screen soon), & printed information.**

- **The Advocates for Human Rights - Volunteer Liaison to Faith Communities:** Check us out, sign up for action alerts: <http://www.energyofanation.org/>
- **Interfaith Coalition on Immigration (ICOM) - Immigration and Policy Advocate, lead organizer for the civil immigrant detainee visitation program now operating at the Ramsey County Adult Detention Center.**
- **Member: Detention Watch Network**

➤ **FREE FILMS**

1. Brother Towns. A great 'first film' that explores why people come and the different responses of people in Jupiter Florida to the immigrants in their community. In *Brother Towns* you visit and meet the people of two communities that are linked by immigration, family, and work: Jacaltenango, a highland Maya town in Guatemala; and Jupiter, a coastal Florida resort town where many Jacaltecos have settled. 58 minutes; learn more at <http://www.brothertowns.com/>.

2. The Visitor (Availability limited). A beautiful, touching film. "The Visitor" follows 62-year-old professor Walter Vale, who has lost his passion for teaching and writing, but his heart is stirred when he encounters an immigrant couple. The film weaves into its story an accurate portrayal of the U. S. detention and deportation system that is the too common experience of hundreds of thousands of immigrants. This 2008 'comedy /drama' won the best director at the 2009 Film Independent Spirit Awards. 105 minutes.

3. Papers - Stories of Undocumented Youth. Interweaves the stories of undocumented students from several nations, the DREAM Act, history of immigration in the United States, and the need for comprehensive immigration reform. 88 minutes, adaptable to 63 minutes. Learn more at, http://www.papersthemovie.com/about_papers/trailer.html

4. abUSed. An important film about the Postville IA immigration raid and the aftermath. The film tells what happened, its affects on the Postville community and the immigrants and their families; includes interviews with participants and visits those deported to Guatemala (including children born in the US). 97 minutes. Learn more at: <http://www.abusedthepostvilleraid.com/>

5. The 800 Mile Wall. This film highlights the construction of the border walls along the US - Mexican border; described as "an unflinching look at a failed U. S. border strategy that many believe violates fundamental human rights." 90 minutes.

6. Dying to Live: A Migrant's Journey. A very good 33 minute film introducing us to migrants, why they come to the United States, and the dangerous journey many make to cross our southern border.

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7. Strangers No Longer. A 22-minute film presenting the basic Christian framework for welcoming immigrants; it is 'Catholic' focused, but will resonate with those of other denominations.

8. One Border; One Body. This film presents the story of a unique Christian celebration: the annual border communion celebration where priests and lay people come together, separated by a border fence, united around one table and a shared experience. 30 minutes.

REVIEWS

“The speaker was outstanding – I’d look forward to seeing more of his film presentations.”

“Very informative and moving stories.”

“Really appreciated John Guttermann’s thoughtful comments.”

“Great to hear about other immigrant issues and programs.”

“Thanks for a good film showing and well-facilitated post film discussion.”

➤ **FREE PRESENTATIONS – adapted to the needs and interests of your group, whether it is a faith based organization or secular (non-faith) organization.**

1. Faith, Migration, and Immigration Reform (an “Immigration 101 – Policy).” An overview of immigration in the light of human rights & faith based values (appropriate to your group), our broken immigration system (why enforcement only does not work), and the need for Comprehensive Immigration Reform (CIR);

2. Immigrant Detention & Deportation (and the need for Reform). Focuses on Minnesota (or your state);

3. In development – “Welcoming Communities.” Promoting mutual respect and cooperation between foreign-born and U.S.-born Americans.



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