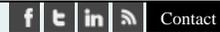


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Nationally acclaimed documentary about local town, immigration to be shown in Chattanooga Dec. 11

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Renaissance Presbyterian Church will host a free screening of "Welcome to Shelbyville," a documentary about a small Tennessee town dealing with an influx of immigrants and how to find beauty in the diversity of such a situation.

The screening will take place Dec. 11 from 6:30 to 8 p.m. at the church, which is located at 1211 Boynton Drive.

A short discussion will take place after the screening.

"Welcome to Shelbyville" was filmed in a small town in Middle Tennessee and has brought national and international attention to the community since. Officials said that the film is a positive example of how small town America can find beauty in diversity and is based on Shelbyville's experiences in dealing with an influx of Hispanic and Somali immigrants.

For more information, contact Eben Cathey at 615-775-1069 or eben@tnimmigrant.org.

The event is hosted by Welcoming Tennessee, which is a collaboration of concerned Tennesseans from business, law enforcement, community and faith. The individuals work to make Tennessee a welcoming state for immigrants.

"Welcome to Shelbyville" was directed and produced by Kim Snyder and executive produced by BeCause Foundation, in association with Active Voice.

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