**Proposed Kentucky legislation (SB-1 and HB-51) which will have a** catastrophic impact on immigrants, especially families. Attend an expert panel to learn about the proposed bills and actions to stop this outrage.



## Date/Time:Tuesday, March 10, 2020 (6:30 pm - 9.00 pm)Place:Highland Baptist Church, 1101, Cherokee Road, Louisville, KY 40204

**Please read attached fact sheet which tells you** <u>what you should know about</u> **SB-1** (*passed by the Senate and now up for consideration by the House Judiciary Committee*).

Although some changes were made to the original version of SB-1, it remains seriously flawed because the changes did not alter the fact that SB-1 <u>serves no valid legal purpose</u> and will:

- Allow police who have no education or training in the complex field of immigration affairs to assist in enforcing immigration law.
- Allow government employees to collect information on the legal status of anyone who appears to them to be an immigrant.
- Weaken local law enforcement by putting victims and witnesses of crime at risk of being detained and deported if they report a crime.
- Create a system of fear, intimidation, and racial profiling against Kentuckians of color, or our Kentucky immigrant communities in general.
- Foster anger and mistrust on the part on the white community towards immigrants who appear to them to be different from them in color, race, language and dress.
- Make immigrants targets for possible arrest and deportation.
- Lead to the deportation of many immigrants.
- Expose the state of Kentucky to costly lawsuits for wrongful arrest or ill-treatment of immigrants, since Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) does not pay for expenses incurred in the pursuit of such lawsuits.

## **PROGRAM DETAILS**

**REV. RYAN ELLER** serves on the ministry council at the Highland Baptist Church: Welcome Statement, Brief Introduction to the Program and the Moderator **REV. TRICIA LLOYD-SIDLE** a leader of the *Interfaith Coalition for Immigrant Justice*.

**PANEL PRESENTATION**: The order of presentations will be as follows:

- 1. RON RUSSELL: senior immigration attorney, immigrant rights advocate
- 2. **NIMA KULKARNI**: immigration attorney, State Representative for District-40 in Jefferson County.
- 3. **REV. RYAN ELLER:** Executive Director of Define America the nation's leading media and culture organization, who is on the Leadership Team of the Interfaith Coalition for immigrant Justice.
- 4. **JESSICA KLEIN**: Policy Associate at the Kentucky Center for Economic Policy, Berea, conducts research, and outreach on food access and public health policy.
- 5. KARINA BARILLAS: Co-Founder and Executive Director of La Casita Center.
- 6. **DR. JOE BRENNAN:** has worked as Diocesan Director of Catholic Charities in Tampa, and is currently the Director of the Kentucky Labor Institute. He is a Consultant to The Salaam Network.

**BREAK** (15 minutes) Q&A (40 minutes) moderated by REV. TRICIA LLOYD-SIDLE who will also sum up the proceedings, and then introduce the presenters of the Final Segment.

FINAL SEGMENT (30 minutes): SYNTHESIS AND ACTION:

## WHY SB-1 IS IMPORTANT FOR YOU

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*The Salaam Network* is an interfaith group of educators, peacemakers, artists and supporters from a wide range of backgrounds. Its goal is to work toward making our Beloved Community of Louisville "Whole" by making it free of disunity, division and discrimination. Through its educational programs it strives to actualize the vision of an all-inclusive community where no one is seen as "the Other."

Program organized by The Salaam Network, and co-hosted by The Interfaith Coalition for Immigrant Justice and Highland Baptist Church



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