A Personal Passion Story. 1 Journey Festival. Many Paths, One Journey.

Wendy: There’s a Chinese proverb that says, “a thousand-mile journey starts with a single step.” There’s always that first step you need to take, so just take that step and be bold.

Title: Wendy Chan. Senior Manager, Accenture Federal Services. Co-founder, One Journey

Hi, I’m Wendy Chan. I’m a senior manager with Accenture, and I wanted to share a little bit about my story. I co-founded 1 Journey because I wanted to show people there are so many ways that you can get involved, because many people are concerned about the refugee situation, but they don’t know how to take action.

We wanted to showcase the human faces behind the refugee situation and help people understand that there are many different ways, small or big ways, to get involved and support and welcome refugees.

Lisa: I am so proud to be with Accenture, to work with leaders like Wendy Chan who are driving a movement. It’s not just a festival, it’s a movement to change how people talk about refugees, to talk about them as human beings, as people that are part of our broader world community.

Title: Lisa Mitnick. Managing Director, Accenture Digital

Marty: Thousands and thousands of folks are here. We’ve got lots of Accenture volunteers led by Wendy Chan and the team. They’ve literally been planning for over a year to
make this event happen. We’ve got everything from folks doing poetry, storytelling, we’ve got food, we’ve got culture, we’ve got dance, we’ve got art, we’ve got a parade and lots of folks reaching out to make sure that refugees feel welcome and part of the fabric of the D.C. community here today.

Title: John Goodman. Chief Executive, Accenture Federal Services

John: I am so excited to be at the One Journey festival today. You know, there are 70 million refugees around the world and they’re facing tremendous challenges, and this festival is drawing attention to those challenges and what we can do together to solve them, because big challenges require new ways of thinking by both the public sector and the private sector. A big shout out to our colleague Wendy Chan and all the Accenture volunteers who have made this happen.

Lisa: So through technologies like AR, VR, through other types of real time communications, social media, we can start to bring the world together, make it a smaller place, a place where we can engage in meaningful conversation and make a difference.

Wendy: Today has been amazing. This is everything we dreamed of, having a wide range and diverse group of people coming together, this whole place packed with people, and also, of course, working with my volunteer team. Many of them are from Accenture.

And just that passion, seeing the passion and the dedication of my volunteers is so fulfilling. It’s everything that we have dreamed of.

Title: Congratulations to Wendy Chan and our 300 Accenture Volunteers! #PowerYourPurpose