2020 Youth Community Council

Metro Vancouver





Gurjot Kalra

Council Member

Term on Council: 2019 - Present

Hometown: Burnaby, BC

Current Community: Burnaby, BC

Inspiration

Throughout high school and university, I've been fortunate enough to be involved in a variety of youth focused organizations, clubs and societies. I've found a lot of value being involved with these different groups outside of academics and strongly believe that all Canadian youth should have their basic needs met and the opportunity to be involved in a larger community.

Fun Fact

I enjoy coding and learning about technology. I'm currently teaching myself Python and since working in the financial industry, I've developed an interest in cyber security.

What do you hope to achieve on the Council?

My goal while on this Council is to have a positive impact on my local community. I hope to achieve this by leveraging my background in finance to strategically recommend investments in non-profits where the funds will be used effectively and efficiently to improve the lives of youth in the Metro Vancouver area.

What accomplishment are you most proud of to date?

Completing a degree in Commerce, with a major in Finance and completing four internships during my degree. I have always wanted to do this so I'm pleased that I finally took the step!

Bio

Gurjot grew up in New Westminster and was very involved in the sea cadet program between the ages of 13 – 18. He graduated from Dalhousie University with a Bachelor of Commerce degree, majoring in Finance. Currently, Gurjot is an Associate in Commercial Real Estate at Coast Capital Savings.

While completing his undergraduate degree, Gurjot completed four internships and worked in Vancouver, Toronto and Halifax. He interned at the Progressive Intercultural Community Services Society (a non-profit organization), Grant Thornton (an accounting firm), Vision Critical (a software company) and Norquay Homes (a residential development and investment firm).

While in university, he was involved in a variety of student societies and charity initiatives including the Dalhousie Commerce Society, Dalhousie Investment Society, JDCC (Jeux de Commerce Central), Movember, CIBC Run for the Cure and Inside Ride. In his free time, Gurjot enjoys traveling and exploring new places.



Gurjot loves being on the water.