



Harman Dhaliwal

Council Chair

Term on Council:
2018 - Present

Hometown:
Surrey, BC

Current Community:
Surrey, BC

Inspiration

I'm very passionate about helping children and youth. I've been privileged to be involved in many programs where I've volunteered and worked with them, and I've seen the incredible impact that positive opportunities can have. When I became aware about the work of this Council, it seemed like the perfect fit.

Fun Fact

I am a huge fan of superheroes. From Superman and Batman to Iron Man and Black Panther - I am a fan of them all. I even have a handmade Superman cape hanging in my closet that was made specifically for me as a gift.

What do you hope to achieve on the Council?

I hope to use my passion, experience, and understanding of youth in our communities to help identify projects, programs and initiatives that carry great potential for positive impact. The work this Council has done to date is incredible and I am excited to help carry its momentum forward.

What accomplishment are you most proud of to date?

My proudest accomplishment to date is working my way towards my current professional role. I pride myself with my work ethic and grit, and know that the journey I've had to date is a true reflection of those character traits."

Bio

Harman brings a strong background in philanthropy, fundraising, and youth-focused programming. Entering his second year as Council Chair, Harman is excited to continue making an impact in local Fraser Valley communities.

Currently, Harman is the Manager of Business Development at Surrey School District. He and his team focus on fundraising, cultivating partnerships, and working in collaboration with local individuals, groups, and organizations in support of child and youth focused programming in schools. Prior to his current role, Harman worked as a Philanthropy Officer and Associate at the BC Children's Hospital Foundation (BCHFH), where he developed and managed strong relationships with donors and supporters within various BC communities. In addition to his fundraising roles, Harman has also held previous positions within the school district that enlisted his support identifying and fulfilling student needs through supportive before-and-after school programming in inner-city schools.

Passionate about youth empowerment, leadership, and development, Harman has an extensive history of mentoring youth in his community. Through his experience volunteering as a youth leadership advisor with the Greater Vancouver YMCA, Harman helped youth hone their leadership skills. Through local Rotary Clubs, Harman has helped stage, facilitate, and lead various youth

leadership conferences where likeminded youth gather to further their development as our next generation of leaders.

Harman holds a Bachelors of Business Administration, from the Beedie School of Business at Simon Fraser University."

Harman loves exploring the many trails the West Coast has to offer.

