## Youth Get It Community Council

Fraser Valley





## 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 a work in progress. At 26, I look back at all that I've been fortunate in accomplishing with great pride, and am excited to see what the next few years will bring.

#### Bio

Harman brings a strong background in philanthropy, fundraising, and youth focused programming. Currently, Harman is a Manager of Business Development with Surrey Schools. Previously he worked as a Philanthropy Officer at the BC Children's Hospital Foundation, where he developed and managed strong relationships with donors and supporters within BC's South Asian community.

Prior to that, Harman worked as a Development Officer with the Surrey School District, where he worked in collaboration with local groups and organizations to secure funding for child/youth programming. In addition to his fundraising role, Harman also held positions within the district that enlisted his support in identifying and fulfilling student needs through supportive before-and-after school programming in inner-city schools.

Passionate about youth empowerment and leadership 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 several Rotary Clubs, Harman has helped stage and facilitate various youth leadership conferences. Most recently, Harman was a Head Facilitator for Rotary's "Youth Adventures In Leadership" conference, which was geared at helping youth develop their



leadership skills and connect with other likeminded young 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.