Youth Get It Community Council

Metro Vancouver





Maneisha Sandhu

New Council Member: January 2018

Hometown: Vancouver, BC

Current Community: Vancouver, BC

Inspiration

One of my passions is finding ways to give back to the community. The Youth Get It Community Council seemed like an amazing opportunity to help youth in a way that can really make a long-lasting impact.

Fun Fact

I enjoy playing sports. I play soccer, hockey and have a black belt in taekwondo.

What do you hope to achieve on the Council?

I look forward to working with my fellow Council members and learning about the various organizations that support youth in the community. I also hope to help provide a voice to youth, and support initiatives that will help them deal with issues they are facing today.

What accomplishment are you most proud of to date?

This past year I was involved in a fundraising initiative that helped raise \$30,000 for the Canadian Cancer Society. The fundraiser was in honour of a former colleague who passed away from breast cancer. I volunteered on a number of organic farms while learning Spanish.

Bio

As a tax associate with PriceWaterhouseCoopers, Maneisha brings a strong financial background to the Council. Currently in the process of getting her Chartered Professional Accountant designation, Maneisha holds a Bachelors of Business Administration in Accounting from Langara College. While there, she was awarded the President's Medal for Academic Excellence and Community Service.

As past president of the Langara Accounting Club, Maneisha helped the club develop training, succession planning, and community engagement measures to bolster its stature in the community. She also served as chair of the BC Accounting Clubs Committee (BCACC), where she helped develop greater relationships between employers and Langara accounting students.

Maneisha has a long history of volunteerism in her community. While serving as a mentor at the YMCA's High School Mentorship Program, Maneisha started a Teen Leadership Committee to help provide teens with a safe space to learn, grow, and develop their leadership skills. She secured a \$5,000 funding grant for the program by effectively communicating her vision for how it would

allow teens to prosper.



Maneisha enjoys playing hockey in her free time.

Maneisha's experience working with youth includes serving as a staff member at the Robert Lee YMCA working with children and youth, and as a site supervisor with the Vancouver School Board, where she practiced her conflict resolution skills.

She is currently co-chair of PriceWaterCooper's Canadian Cancer Society group and its Tax Social Committee.