



The purpose of Sikh Heritage BC (SHBC) is to celebrate the contributions and aspirations of all Sikh-Canadians and to develop a greater understanding and appreciation of a rich, unique, and diverse heritage. Sikhs have been in BC for over 100 years, and this is an opportunity to showcase their contribution to the economic, social, and cultural fabric of the province. This initiative is meant to help create awareness and appreciation for Sikhi in Canada. On April 30, 2019, the Sikh Heritage Month Act was formally recognized by the Government of Canada. This means that throughout Canada, in each and every year, April is to be known as “Sikh Heritage Month.”

In accordance with our mandate, Sikh Heritage BC has established five \$1,500 scholarships to provide funding for post-secondary education. This scholarship is available to BC grade 12 students who will be attending a Post-Secondary Institute in September 2024 regardless of their ethnicity, religion, or status in Canada.

Application is due on January 15, 2024, at 11:59pm and decisions will be made at the beginning of March. Please submit application using the appropriate form linked on sikhheritagebc.ca/scholarships.

These scholarships are sponsored by Gurdwara Sahib Sukh Sagar, Sunny Brar and Associates, Rai Express Lines Ltd., Genaris Properties, and Morrison Windows Ltd.

Scholarship Eligibility

- 1) Applicant must be residing in British Columbia at the time of the application
- 2) Applicant must be attending Post-Secondary full time in September 2024
 - a. Scholarship amount will only be released once applicant submits proof of acceptance
- 3) Applicant must currently be in grade 12



Section A: Applicant Information

Applicant Name

Name of School

Applicant Address

Phone Number

Email Address

How did you hear about this scholarship?

Are you related to anyone on the SHBC team? This person will excuse themselves from the selection committee.

Yes

No

Scholarships

Bhai Mardana Ji Arts Scholarship

- What role does art play within your life and the Sikh Community? How do you see this role evolving in the future?

Mata Khivi Ji Community Service Scholarship

- What is the role of seva in your life? What is a seva that is missing in your local community?

Sant Teja Singh Ji Academic Achievement Scholarship

- What is the meaning of true education? How can education better the community?

Mata Bhaag Kaur Ji Athletics Scholarship

- What role has athletics played in your life? How can the lessons you have learnt through athletics benefit the community?

Bibi Harnam Kaur Ji Leadership Scholarship

- What do you foresee as being a key challenge for the Sikh community in the near future? How would you address it?



Section B: Response

Please be as specific as possible.

Why did you apply for this scholarship? How does this relate to your goals for the future?
(250 words or less)



Response specific to scholarship category (750 words or less)

- Scholarship Category

- Essay Criteria
 - Use of proper grammar, spelling and sentence structure
 - Connection to the topic, personal connection



Section C: Additional Comments (250 words or less)

Please use this section to share any relevant information that you have not had a chance to share thus far.



Section D: Supporting Documents

- 1) School Transcripts: These can be advising transcripts. Please send them as an attachment.
- 2) Resume: Please attach.
- 3) References - 2
 - a. These must be completed by a non-relative.
 - b. At least **1** reference should be from an educator
 - c. Reference must know applicant for a minimum of **2** years
 - d. Please provide us with the name and email address of your references.
Reference forms will be sent directly to the email addresses that you provide.
Deadline for references is January 30, 2024

Reference Name	Relationship	Phone Number	Email Address	Years Known



For further information or clarification, please email us at education@shmbc.ca

CONSENT FORM

By submitting this application, I agree to the publication of my name and/or photo on the Sikh Heritage BC website and /or social media channels and/or printed materials pertaining to the scholarship recipient. In giving this consent, I release Sikh Heritage BC from liability for any violation of any personal or proprietary right I have in connection with any sale, reproduction or use of digital media.

I certify that all information provided in this application is true and accurate.

Signature of applicant

Date

Signature of Parent/Guardian (if minor)

Date

