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“The Sikh Research Institute’s mission is to provide educational resources to Sikhs to lead a Guru inspired life.”



Founded in 2003, Sikh Research Institute (SikhRI) is a nonprofit organization based in Bridgewater, NJ, dedicated to education-based outreach among the Sikh community and encouraging community. “SikhRI exists to connect people with the teachings of Sikhi, making them accessible and easy to digest, for people of all ages, genders and backgrounds.”

The Strategic Solutions team at SikhRI continues to pioneer innovative Sikh education the world over. In July 2015, SikhRI released a children’s picture book “Thank You, Vahiguru” written by Inni Kaur.

In December of 2015, SikhRI also announced the release of its much awaited eWorkbook - Gurbāṇī Language & Grammar, a great resource for students of Gurbāṇī.

SikhRI’s Training & Development (T&D) programming involves our Liv webinar series, theme-based Sanaha workshops, Grihast couples retreat and Sidak summer leadership development program. IN 2015, SikhRI also introduced a series of Podcasts on various Sikhi Education related topics.



Also, September 2015 marked for the launch of a new course called Gurduara Governance. A one day training session aimed at current and prospective Gurduara boards, management, and decision makers. The Program training offers to make Gurduara board individuals fully informed of their Panthak and legal responsibilities.

With this program SikhRI hopes to turn a new chapter in Gurduara Governance across North America and possibly globally in the future.

Kultar’s Mime got to perform at The world Parliament of Religions in Salt Lake City among the Dalai Lama, two other Nobel Laureates, global activists such as Vandana Shiva and 10,000 delegates from all over the world.

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“Sikh Research Institute gave me a direction and a new meaning to my understanding of ‘Sikhi’. It helped me to relate to the Sikh community at large and the common ideology that unites us.”

- Simran Singh Dhillon - Bedford, MA, USA



SIKH RESEARCH INSTITUTE

Vahiguru ji ka Khalsa, Vahiguru ji ki Fateh!

Thank you for your support for the Sikh Research Institute. It is the dedication of our volunteers and our generous donors that enable us to do what we love doing. SikhRI is totally committed to its mission, "to provide educational resources to Sikhs to lead a Guru-inspired life."

2015 was an exciting year for the Panth and for us. Over the years, SikhRI has held numerous Sarbat Khalsa workshops across the globe. So, to actually witness the November Sarbat Khalsa gathering in Chabba village, after a twenty-nine year hiatus was monumental. It was humbling to have our Co-founder and CEO, Harinder Singh lead the North American delegation. The possibility that change can take place at the Akal Takht level, led Harinder Singh to resign from SikhRI in December 2015, so that he could focus on the Free Akal Takht movement and SikhRI could remain focused on providing educational material to Sikhs worldwide.

To continue our mission with full rigor, we were pleased to announce that Inni Kaur had taken over the reigns as interim CEO. Her passion for Sikhi, her dedication to the cause and her deep rooted experience with the organization made this an excellent choice for us as we continue our quest to build the leadership team and capacity of SikhRI. The Board and Inni Kaur are grateful to our stakeholders and sangat for their ongoing and unflinching support during this time of transition.

The need for Gurbani inspired education is more apparent than ever and we are investing a large portion of our resources to online education. 2016 and onwards, the global sangat will be able to take advantage of the many self-paced online courses that we are developing and advancing Guru's vision for the Panth.

We remain humbled by the years of engagement with the sangats across the globe and look forward to reaching and impacting many more constituents through our online as well as in-person programs. 2015 also brought a major uptick in our social media outreach and the team looks forward to interacting through the de facto communication medium of the century.

One again, thank you for all you do for us, continue to challenge us and by Grace may we move forward towards our Guru gifted attitude of Chardi Kala!

Sincerely,
Inderpreet Singh
Chair, Board of Directors

Revenue

Contributions	\$678,389.91
Programs	\$2850,876.28
Products	\$14,655.46
Interests & Investments	\$5308.98
Miscellaneous	

Total Revenue **\$749,230.64**

Expenses

Strategic Solutions	\$234,341.78
Training & Development	\$152,238.54
Global Awareness	\$123,852.18
Products	\$55,695.42
Other Program	

Total **\$566,127.92**

Overhead

Fundraising	\$118,622.51
Administration	\$83,680.98

Total **\$202,303.49**

Total Expenses **\$768,431.41**

Net Assets Begin	\$719,554.30
Change in Net Assets	(\$19,200.77)

Net Assets, end 2015 **\$700,353.53**

* Consolidated Statement for SikhRI and SikhRI-Canada

Milestones in 2015

Completed 13 th annual 2-week sidak Leadership program
Delivered workshops at Sikh Heritage month in Canada
Printed Thank You, Vahiguru
Launched SikhRI art series
Published e-workbook
Presented Kultar's Mime worldwide

In 2015, SikhRI Averaged **2 Events a week!**



Reaching Out and Staying Busy All Over The World.

...That's **500,000+** people since SikhRI was founded!

***Toronto is our new SikhRI Canada hub.**



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