Reopening of Faith Communities
County Board of Supervisors Special Hearing

Presented By: Gurdwara Sahib Singh Sabha - Milpitas
To create meaningful virtual worship and fellowship opportunities, to find ways to maintain physical distancing while still providing social and spiritual connections within our congregation and extended communities.
Our Goals

- To help those in need
- To provide a platform where the community can gather for wholesome social interaction
- To promote Humanity, Sikh Religion, Sikh brotherhood and all aspects of Sikh culture including teaching language, music and philosophies of The Sikhs
- Promote unity and empathy in times of crisis
- Promote & Practice safe religious practices
- Support Your Neighbors
- Continue to serve our congregation and society at large
Focus Areas

• Health & Safety of our communities

• Business Continuity (Minimize economic disruptions)

• Authenticated/Factual social media communication facilitated by our community leaders

• Religious Institutions stepping up to make social & economic contributions within our local communities

• To leverage religious congregations to help increase awareness on COVID19, use the infrastructure to enhance testing, distribution of PPE’s, etc.

• To provision necessary infrastructure for day care, elderly care, providing logistics services, food and basic necessities for local communities.

• Emphasis on the most vulnerable and the most exposed members of the society
• Health and Safety of all members of our local communities

• Economic Impact and Divide

• Social & Civic Divide

• Long term Economic Impact

• Trust in our Political Institutions
Opportunities

• Bridging our religious, political, social, and economic divide

• Reform in our Health Care System

• Embracing the new social and economic trends

• Understanding the importance of our civic and political participation

• Understanding and appreciating our “Rights & Responsibilities”

• Work closely with our wonderful diverse inter-faith community
QUESTIONNAIRE RELATING TO THE ECONOMIC RECOVERY PHASES OF COVID-19 AND PLANS, GUIDELINES, AND NEEDS RELATIVE TO THE SAFE OPENING OF BUSINESSES AND OTHER INSTITUTIONS

Company/Organization Name: Gurdwara Sahib Singh Sabha - Milpitas
Industry/Sector: Faith Based Institute
Date: 6/8/2020

1. Are you open or partially open? Partially
   a. Are you an essential business? No
   b. Are you open under an exception such as: N/A
      i. Outdoor Business?
      ii. Pickup/Delivery?
      iii. Curbside Retail?
      iv. Food Distribution?
   c. Have employees and customers cooperated with the health safety protocols? Yes
   d. To your knowledge, have employees or customers become infected with COVID-19? No

2. How many of your activities can be moved outdoors? Very Limited

3. For indoor activities:
   a. How can social distancing be maintained at points of ingress and egress, where people normally cluster?
      Consistent communication and have volunteers assigned to those areas trying to do some enforcement of guidelines.
   b. How can employees and visitors be protected from transmission of the virus (e.g., no-touch temperature checks, hand sanitizer, masks, and face shields)?
      Temperature checks, PPE equipment etc
c. How will Personal Protective Equipment (such as face covering and gloves) and hand sanitizer be provided before entry?

Dedicated volunteers in key areas providing the PPE

d. Can the times of activities be staggered to reduce the amount of people gathered at any one time?

Partially

e. Can customers make appointments to gain entry while inside capacity is restricted?

N/A

f. How can social distancing be maintained inside your premises?

Reminders & Enforcements

4. What is your plan to acquire and distribute Personal Protective Equipment (like masks and gloves) and testing to your employees?

Make the necessary retail and wholesale purchases

5. How can you adapt to accommodate different size gatherings that may be allowed by the Public Health officer? (Smaller gatherings are likely to be allowed before very large ones.)

Plan the religious and social activities in accordance to the guidelines

6. To meet the need for possible contact tracing, how would you maintain lists of employees and visitors with their contact information for contact tracing? (It is understood that lists of attendees would only be provided in the event of an infection that needed to be traced, and then only to public health personnel trained in medical confidentiality.)

Have a sign up sheet at the ingress with volunteers ensuring they are capturing the dates and folks attending the congregation.
7. In order to assist safe and productive re-opening, what are your needs relative to:
   a. Regulation?
   b. Licensure?
   c. Childcare?
   d. Housing?
Currently in consideration
   e. Digital Inclusion?
   f. Commute-Free Working?

8. If you have been opened or partially opened, what challenges have you experienced?
   People respecting the social distancing guidelines
9. If you have been opened or partially opened, how has the community's adherence and response to the COVID health safety protocols been?
   Good but not consistent