



## BC COUNCIL SPONSORED TRIP INDIA 2020 – Gifts for Change

### **When?**

- For approximately two weeks between the dates of December 27, 2020 and January 10, 2021.

### **Who?**

- 10 girls from across BC, ages 16 to 17 as of December 27, 2020.
- 2 Guiders from across BC.

In order to qualify, girls and guiders must be physically fit and be active members of Girl Guides of Canada. Applicants must have at least 5 nights of overnight experience with Girl Guides of which at least 2 must be consecutive.

### **What?**

Experience an amazing adventure to Sangam to participate in their program, “Gifts for Change”, followed by a tour of the Golden Triangle. Activities include volunteering on a local Community Action Project, cultural immersion activities and social issues workshops. Learn about the traditions and holidays of an ancient and ever-changing India.

### **Cost for Girl Members**

The total value of this program is approximately \$6,000.00 per person. As a girl member you will receive a financial subsidy of approximately 50% of the total cost from BC Girl Guides making the invoice amount per girl \$3,000.00. This includes all costs associated with this trip – including meals, accommodation, local transportation and international flight travel costs, program and entry fees.

Additional personal costs that girls are responsible for:

- Personal spending money and souvenirs
- Kit list requirements
- Immunizations as required
- Passport and Visa costs



*If you need additional financial support, please check with your Area International Adviser to see if your Area Council may be able to assist you with this event. Girl members may fundraise part of their trip cost by following the fundraising policy and procedures (Governance Policy 01-19-01).*

### **Cost for Guiders**

The total value of this program is approximately \$6,000.00 per person. As an adult member of BC Girl Guides you will receive a financial subsidy of \$6,000.00 for the costs associated with this trip – including meals, accommodation, local transportation and international flight travel costs, program and entry fees.

Additional personal costs adult members are responsible for:

- Personal spending money and souvenirs
- Kit list requirements
- Immunizations as required
- Passport and Visa costs

### **Event Fee Includes:**

- Transportation to and from Vancouver
- BC Council travel policy for GIRLS AND GUIDERS attending Provincial events will apply for participants' travel to and from Vancouver.
- The cost to attend a Provincial trip briefing in Vancouver (see below).

### **Provincial Trip Briefing**

Guiders are required to attend a Provincial Trip briefing being held on Friday, March 6, 2020. Girls and Guiders are required to attend on Saturday March 7, 2020.

### **Please Note:**

- Girl Guide uniform will be worn for the duration of this event as we will be out in the public. Participants may be required to have uniform pieces that they do not own and find it necessary to borrow or purchase these items.
- If participation is cancelled due to unforeseen circumstances, Girl Guides of Canada – Guides du Canada cannot accept responsibility for expenses incurred in preparation for this event.

### **Trip Specific Questions**

1. How will you embrace the cultural differences and being witness to the reality of life for a large percentage of people living in our world that you will experience in the regions of India you will be visiting?
2. How do Girl Guide service projects help the children who live near Sangam?

### **How Do I Apply?**



Please ask your International Adviser or Unit Guider for help in completing the following forms and completing your application package by the deadline of September 30, 2019.

**Please visit the [BC International Opportunities](#) page to find all the forms, or click the direct links below:**

[Online Girl Application Form](#) (Word)

[Online Girl Reference Form](#) (Word)

[Online Guider Application Form](#) (Word)

[Online Guider Reference Form](#) (Word)

Please submit your application forms to your Area International Adviser as listed below.

Reference forms should be sent directly to the Area International Adviser (or her representative) to ensure confidentiality. Please ensure that you give the e-mail address of your Area Adviser to your reference.

Applications and references submitted directly to the Provincial Office will not be considered.

Applicants wishing to submit an alternative application are asked to contact Teri Craig, Provincial International Adviser at [bc-international@girlguides.ca](mailto:bc-international@girlguides.ca) for assistance.

Fraser Skies Area – [international@fraserskiesgirlguides.com](mailto:international@fraserskiesgirlguides.com)

South Vancouver Island Area – [sviareainternational@gmail.com](mailto:sviareainternational@gmail.com)

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Monashee Area – [international.monashee@gmail.com](mailto:international.monashee@gmail.com)

Rivers North Area – [riversnorthareainternational@gmail.com](mailto:riversnorthareainternational@gmail.com)

Pacific Shores Area – [colleen513@shaw.ca](mailto:colleen513@shaw.ca)

Westcoast Area – [wcainternationaladviser@gmail.com](mailto:wcainternationaladviser@gmail.com)

Lougheed Area – [international@girlguideslougheedarea.org](mailto:international@girlguideslougheedarea.org)

Lions Area – [lionsareainternational@gmail.com](mailto:lionsareainternational@gmail.com)

Thompson Nicola Area – [tnainternationaladvisor@gmail.com](mailto:tnainternationaladvisor@gmail.com)

If you are unsure of your Area, please e-mail [bc-international@girlguides.ca](mailto:bc-international@girlguides.ca) for assistance.