



Vaaheguru Ji Ka Khalsa, Vaaheguru Ji Ki Fateh.

On behalf of <u>Dasvandh Network (DVN)</u>, I am contacting you to ask if your Gurdwara/Khalsa School would like to launch the <u>Dasvandh Box Initiative</u> for the kids at your gurdwara. The program is a great initiative for adults to support and for kids to execute. Our vision is that through this initiative, these kids will grow up with the practice of giving dasvandh and will donate their dasvandh regularly throughout their lives.

This link contains all the info and resources you'll need to run the program: dvnetwork.org/dasvandhbox.

In a nutshell, one of your educators will introduce the program to parents and kids, highlighting why it's important for Sikhs to give dasvandh. Then, kids will vote on a <u>project from the DVN website</u> that they want to raise funds for. The program can run for 6 weeks.

For example, let's say the kids vote to raise money for the <u>Hazoor Project</u>. Each child gets a Dasvandh Box that they take home to collect money in. Every Saturday/Sunday when they have class at the gurdwara, they bring the money they've collected that week. The educator or a volunteer leading the program collects and counts the money each child brings in. The volunteer updates the class on how much money has been raised that week. Having some kind of "goal thermometer" helps, so kids can see how much progress they've made and how far they are from reaching their fundraising goal. At the end of the 6 weeks, the volunteer sends the collected funds to DVN. Throughout the program, this volunteer will send me updates (pictures, an update every couple of weeks on how much money has been raised, etc.), so we can help market the project through our social media channels.

If your gurdwara is on board, please let me know the following info:

- 1) What day you all would like to start the program. We need at least 10 days' notice prior to the start date to send you materials in time.
- 2) How many weeks the program will run/end date of the program
- 3) An estimate number of how many kids will be participating [one box per child]
- 4) An estimate number of how many families the kids are coming from [one parent letter per family]

Please feel free to contact me with any questions/concerns.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

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