



SANT NIRANKARI MISSION

Washington DC Metropolitan Area Spiritual Center

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36th Blood Donation Drive for Human Unity Day Sunday April 28th, 2024

Human Unity Day Blood Donation Drive

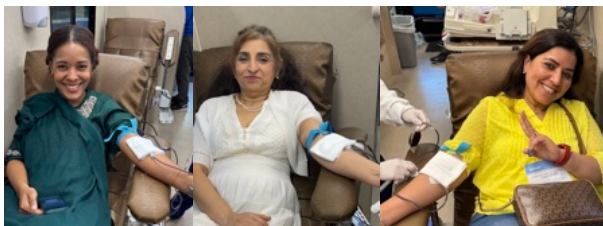
With the blessings of Her Holiness Satguru Mata Sudiksha Ji Maharaj members of the Sant Nirankari Mission Washington DC Metropolitan Area Spiritual Center organized their 36th Blood Donation Drive on Sunday April 28th, 2024 to commemorate the occasion of Manav Ekta Diwas (Human Unity Day), in partnership with Inova Blood Donor Services. The Center has been organizing 2 blood drives each year for the past 22 years, during Manav Ekta Diwas and during Mukti Parv Diwas. Sant Nirankari Mission has been organizing blood donation drives since 1986 throughout the world to celebrate “Human Unity” and believes “Blood should flow in the veins, not in the drains”.



This annual blood drive effort was led and planned by Res. Anuj Malik Ji and Res. Daniel Slebodnik Ji, Social and community activities Director, along with Res. Gaurav Nayyar Ji under the guidance of Rev. Prem (Kamal) Dadlani Ji, Coordinator- in charge, of the center.

The Blood donation drive started at 9:30 am and ended at 3:00 pm. Members of Sant Nirankari Mission from Washington DC metropolitan area as well as local community members participated in the blood donation drive.

The blood donation drive was filled with enthusiastic donors throughout the day. 45 participants registered for blood donation including some walk ins and 30 life-saving units of blood including 1 double red cell donations were collected. The goal for the drive was to collect 24 units of whole blood and 3 units of double red cell. This was one of the successful drives among recently organized blood donation drives. The statistics show that one pint of blood can save up to three lives!



The Sant Nirankari Mission is grateful to their partner INOVA Blood Donor Services, and to the donors and community members, for making this event a demonstration of how we can all work together to spread the message of peace and serve for the greater good.

Satguru Baba Hardev Singh Ji Maharaj always inspired this noble deed by saying, “Blood should flow in the veins, not in the drains.”



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Manav Ekta Diwas (Human Unity Day) Celebration

A spiritual congregation was organized by SNM Washington DC branch, Chantilly on April 28th, 2024 to celebrate “Manav Ekta Diwas/Human Unity” which is dedicated to Satguru Baba Gurbachan Singh Ji Maharaj, for the invaluable values and teachings exemplified by Him during His lifetime. The month of April holds special place in the history of Sant Nirankari mission and 24th April is a day of sacrifice as Satguru Baba Gurbachan Singh Ji Maharaj and Chacha Pratap Singh ji and other revered saints sacrificed their lives for the sake of humanity. Sant Nirankari Mission has been organizing blood donation drives since 1986 throughout the world to celebrate “Human Unity” and believes “Blood should flow in the veins, not in the drains”.



The theme of the congregation was “Human Unity” and was presided over by Respected Daniel Slebodnik Ji. The congregation was attended by over 100 saints and all the speakers shared their experiences related to the topic in the form of speeches and hymns. Res. Shobha Yadav ji shared the history behind celebrating “Manav Ekta Diwas”. Also, one of the youth saints, Reyhan ji presented a power point presentation on the topic of human unity which was well appreciated by all. The final discourse was based on the verse 202 of Hardev bani which mentions that only love and tolerance can propagate human unity but not hatred.

Finally, a vote of thanks was given by Res. Prem Kamal Dadlani ji, Coordinator- in charge, Center and everyone prayed for peace and love among all in the holy feet of Her Holiness Satguru Mata Sudiksha Ji Maharaj.

Dr. Aditya Gupta and Ravi Singh - Washington DC- April 2024