WHO ARE THE SIKHS?

Sikhism is the fifth largest world religion after Christianity, Islam, Hinduism, and Buddhism.

In America, 99% of the people you see wearing a turban are Sikhs.

POPULATION OF SIKHS

~25 million Sikhs worldwide

500,000+ Sikhs in America

The largest concentrations of Sikhs in America live in CA, NY, and NJ.

SIKHS IN AMERICA

>100 years Sikhs have been in America for over 100 years.

Dalip Singh Saund, a Sikh from California, was the first Asian American elected to the U.S. Congress.

In America, the oldest gurdwara, a Sikh house of worship, was built in Stockton, California in 1912.

BELIEFS

Sikhs share basic values with Americans: the importance of equality, religious pluralism, and justice for all.

Sikhism was founded in 1469 by Guru Nanak in the Punjab region of South Asia.

Sikhism is a distinct, independent and monotheistic religion. It is not a branch or blend of any other faith.

There are 3 core Sikh beliefs: devotion to God, truthful living, and service to humanity.

FUN FACTS

Most Sikhs speak Punjabi, the language originating from Punjab.

The largest peach, pistachio, okra, and raisin farms are all owned by Sikh farmers in California.