



FBI to track hate crimes against Sikhs, Hindus and other groups



Harpreet Saini
Source: Sikh Coalition

After prolonged campaigning by advocates for the Sikh-American community, the FBI announced this week that they would start monitoring hate crimes against Sikhs, Hindus, and other religious groups, as well as Arab-American and Middle-Eastern communities, according to [The Washington Post](#).

[Harpreet Saini](#), whose mother was murdered at the mass shooting in Oak Creek, WI last year, said, "This is a step in the right direction to ensure that no one else will have to suffer what my brother and I suffered after losing our mother to a hate crime last August."

In this video from [HuffPost Live](#), anti-hate and Sikh-American advocates discuss the significance of the change, and what more will need to be done to prevent hate crimes and create safe communities in the long term.

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We recently featured the story of Kilpatrick, AL, a fractured community that came together after a twister in March. Relations between the area's Latino and non-Latino communities had been strained, but the two communities worked side by side to repair the damage. "Maybe it's just a little more understanding of brotherly



love," said Jacky Clayton, assistant police chief.

Read more about this, Facebook's pledge to fight gender-based hate speech, and discussions about lasting hate crime solutions, at [NIOT.org](https://www.niot.org).

Communities rally in UK after attacks on Muslims, disabled people



The UK's Muslim communities are facing a new wave of hate attacks after the high-profile murder of a soldier by two Muslim extremists. After a London mosque was burned to the ground, a committee member called on the perpetrators of the attack to come forward, engage in dialogue, and "move forward to a future without violence." Read more at [NIOT.org](https://www.niot.org).

Disability hate crime is also a pervasive problem in the UK, with some people facing harassment on a daily basis and never reporting it. Click [here](#) to read more about efforts to improve attitudes towards people with disabilities, encourage reporting, and increasing the capacity of law enforcement to assist people with disabilities.

