Big Brother Big Sisters of Shelby & Darke County

Big Brothers Big Sisters' mission is to provide children facing adversity with strong and enduring, professionally-supported, one-to-one relationships that change their lives for the better, forever.

Big Brothers Big Sisters holds itself accountable for proven, measurable outcomes -- helping children who face adversity succeed in school; avoid risky behaviors, especially juvenile delinquency; and have higher aspirations and self-confidence.

The difference between Big Brothers Big Sisters programs and others is that the organization focuses on successful, long-term mentoring. They achieve this through careful one-to-one matching and ongoing, professional match support and guidance.

Big Brothers Big Sisters relies on donor funding to carefully make mentoring matches and provide ongoing assistance for mentors, mentees and families to help sustain the long, successful relationships unique to its programs.

Most children served by Big Brothers Big Sisters are in single-parent and low-income families or households where a parent is incarcerated. The national mentoring organization serves nearly 250,000 children across the country.

Our Programs:
- Community Based
- Big Buddies
- Couples Match
- X-Force
- Lunch Buddies
- Career Quest

Start Something!

Share a little time. Make a BIG difference.

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Why should I become a volunteer?
Think back to when you were a kid. Who brought magic into your life just by being there? Who do you always remember with a smile? Maybe it was an uncle who taught you how to cook, or a neighbor who let you help her fix her car? Or maybe it was someone who just included you in everyday life activities because it was fun—for both of you. Being a “BIG” is one of the best decisions you will ever make. It means a chance to gain a new friend, and see the world—and be seen—through fresh new eyes. No matter where you are in life right now, being a “BIG” will make it better.

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Community Based Program
An adult-aged Big Brother or Big Sister gets to spend time and share activities with a child-aged Little Brother or Little Sister doing activities that they both enjoy! Activities may include fishing, playing board games, baking cookies, or going to ball games. The “Bigs” and “Littles” get to enjoy these fun times together on their own schedule at least two times per month.

Big Buddies High School/Elementary School Mentoring Program
High school students make a nine-month commitment to meet two times per month with their assigned “Little”. These mentorship meetings take place at an assigned school and are planned and supervised by professional staff from our agency.

Couples Match Program
Similar to our Community Based Program, the Couples Match is just that—an opportunity for a Big and their spouse to share in the mentorship of a child. This option allows for both mentors to experience the joy and appreciation of mentoring a child.

X-Force Program
Similar to our Big Buddies Program, but focusing on middle school students and career development.

Lunch Buddies
This program matches adults from the community with elementary school students. Lunch Buddies are matched with one student and spend an hour each week helping them with homework, playing at recess, and being a friend.

Career Quest
This program matches adults from the community with high school students who are education credit deficient and looking for help with tutoring. The time commitment is based on the mentor’s availability.

Contact us today!
I’m interested in becoming a volunteer, what now? Let us know your interest by completing and returning the form below, contact our office, or go to our website.

Name:_____________________________ Phone: _____________________
Address:________________________________________________________
Email: __________________________________________________________

I’m interested in (check all that apply):
◊ Becoming a Big Brother or Big Sister
◊ I’d like my child to become a Little Brother or Little Sister
◊ I’d like to find out more about Big Brothers Big Sisters
◊ I’d like to volunteer in another way
◊ Contact me, I can refer a volunteer
◊ Please add me to your mailing list
◊ I’d like to make a tax deductible donation

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