What is the Mentoring Connector?

The Mentoring Connector is a free service and the only database of its kind designed to help quality youth mentoring programs across the US recruit volunteer mentors. This database (formerly the Volunteer Referral Service) is managed by MENTOR: The National Mentoring Partnership (MENTOR), and leveraged by serve.gov, NBA Cares, the White House’s My Brother’s Keeper initiative site, CARES Mentoring, and MENTOR’s network of affiliate Mentoring Partnerships across America.

This resource gives programs listed in the database a high value visibility opportunity in which potential mentors can find your program when they search for a volunteer opportunity near them. The Mentoring Connector includes new search parameters, targeting options and updated mentoring program information. Each year, our collective call-to-action through national initiatives results in more than 60,000 searches in the system.

How Can I Submit My Program?

Programs meeting baseline quality standards as outlined in the Elements of Effective Practice for Mentoring™ will be added to the publicly-searchable referral database. Don’t miss out on this opportunity to recruit new mentors by adding your mentoring program to the new Mentoring Connector. Please follow the instructions below to submit a program listing to the new system:

- Go to https://connect.mentoring.org/admin
- Click the Add a New Program button below the login fields (do not enter your email address or a password)
- When the system asks “Do you already have Program Administrator login credentials?,” say No.
- Enter requested info on your mentoring program.
- Remember that what you enter in the Program Description and Mentor Description fields will be visible to anyone searching for programs through the system, so use clear and informative language.
- Click Submit when finished.

Questions? Feedback?

Contact our Mentoring Connector manager directly at connector@mentoring.org.