



April 3, 2025

The Honorable Hal Rogers  
Chair  
House Appropriations Committee  
Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice,  
Science and Related Agencies  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Jerry Moran  
Chair  
Senate Appropriations Committee  
Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice,  
Science and Related Agencies  
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Grace Meng  
Ranking Member  
House Appropriations Committee  
Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice,  
Science and Related Agencies  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Chris Van Hollen  
Ranking Member  
Senate Appropriations Committee  
Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice,  
Science and Related Agencies  
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Chairs Rogers and Moran and Ranking Members Meng and Van Hollen:

Thank you for your long support of the **Part G Youth Mentoring Program**. This important competitive grant, managed at the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP) in the Department of Justice, supports youth-serving organizations throughout the country as they provide evidence-based mentoring services and caring relationships for young people experiencing some of the most challenging obstacles of their lives. **As you develop the Fiscal Year 2026 Commerce, Justice, Science and Related Agencies Appropriations bill, the 413 youth-serving nonprofits who have signed this letter respectfully call for an investment of \$130 million in funding for this critical program: the only mentoring-specific line item in the federal budget.**

Young people need relational supports more than ever; yet, unfortunately, many still don't have access. Recent research has confirmed the longstanding "mentoring gap": one in three young people will grow up without ever having a mentor during their childhood.<sup>1</sup> In fact, this gap has grown in recent years; 40% of today's young people say they never had a mentor and almost 70% say there were times growing up where they wanted a mentor, but could not find one.<sup>2</sup> At the same time, there is strong public support for government investment in youth mentoring: a public survey in 2019 found that 83% of Americans express some agreement that government funds should be used for youth mentoring. Congress can support efforts to shrink the mentoring gap by increasing funding for this grant program.

Mentoring organizations need the Youth Mentoring Grant to support their operations and to reach more young people. Resource gaps prevent programs from meeting the needs of all young people seeking a mentor. In fact, the average mentoring program has 63 young people on their waitlist, but investment in this program will help more grantees attract high-quality staff to support thousands more youth.<sup>3</sup> Funds may also help programs to recruit, train, screen, and support effective volunteer mentors in programs across the country.

Quality mentoring programs are uniquely valuable for increased public investment because they can intersect with any number of issues and support the delivery of specific desired outcomes:

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<sup>1</sup> Bruce, Mary, Bridgeland, John, and Civic Enterprises, in association with Hart Research Associates. *The Mentoring Effect: Young People's Perspectives on the Outcomes and Availability of Mentoring*. MENTOR: The National Mentoring Partnership, 2014.

<sup>2</sup> Garringer, Michael, & Benning, Chelsea. *Who Mentored You?: A Study Examining the Role Mentors Have Played in the Lives Of Americans Over the Last Half Century*. MENTOR: The National Mentoring Partnership, 2023.

<sup>3</sup> Garringer, M., McQuillan, S., & McDaniel, H. *Examining Youth Mentoring Services: Findings from the 2016 National Mentoring Program Survey*. MENTOR: The National Mentoring Partnership, 2017.

- **Mentoring for military-connected youth.** Mentoring offers a practical approach to support military youth and their families and has been shown to improve academic performance and decrease symptoms of depression, while improving social support and parental ratings of stress in the home.<sup>4</sup>
- **Mentoring and career exploration/workforce development.** Mentors support youth in career exploration and early employment experiences by providing support and hands-on skill development.<sup>5</sup> Building intentional mentoring relationships with young employees has led to higher retention rates, direction in building a career or educational journey, wage increases, and employee satisfaction.<sup>6</sup> It can also help offset feelings of exclusion that prevent some youth from considering certain career paths.
- **Mentoring to address loneliness.** There may be no more direct way to help reduce isolation and loneliness for a young person than by providing them with a relationship that is tailored to their needs and circumstances. Mentoring programs, by definition, are focused on connecting youth to not only individual relationships, but deep engagement with program staff and other participants. Relationships with supportive adults are considered a key developmental asset; trusting relationships create a nourishing environment for adolescents to explore the world around them and engage in healthy risk-taking.<sup>7</sup>
- **Mentoring and youth violence prevention and intervention.** Mentoring serves as one of the few prevention and intervention strategies that can effectively address multiple risk and protective factors simultaneously.<sup>8</sup> Mentoring has also been found to reduce aggressive behaviors such as fighting, bullying, and delinquency.<sup>9</sup> Effective services can help young people heal, and can assist youth who have engaged in or are at risk of being offenders of violence by providing them with role models who support positive, prosocial behavior.<sup>10</sup> Mentoring programs have successfully partnered with agencies, community-based organizations, and private sector entities to implement whole community approaches designed to address violence.
- **Mentoring and mental health.** Mentors have always been assets to young people when they are experiencing mental health challenges. Youth mentoring programs of all types have the ability to prevent and help youth cope with depressive symptoms.<sup>11</sup> Strong mentoring services can help address the trauma that youth have faced, including those who lost a caregiver, and help reduce stigma and increase treatment entry and adherence.<sup>12</sup> Having a mentor has also been found to be associated with life satisfaction and positive well-being in adulthood.<sup>13</sup>
- **Mentoring and education.** Young people at risk of not completing high school but who had a mentor are more likely to enroll in college,<sup>14</sup> participate in extracurricular activities, hold a leadership position,

<sup>4</sup> Herrera, C., D. L. DuBois, and J. B. Grossman. (2013). *The Role of Risk: Mentoring Experiences and Outcomes for Youth with Varying Risk Profiles*. New York: A Public/Private Ventures project distributed by MDRC

<sup>5</sup> Kupersmidt, J., Stelter, R., & Garringer, M. (2019). *Workplace mentoring*. Supplement to the Elements of Effective Practice for Mentoring. Boston, MA: MENTOR.

<sup>6</sup> Alexandre-Joseph, C., Garringer, M., Suri, S., & Fiori, S. (2021). *Final report of the National Mentoring Project, 2020-2021*. Boston, MA: MENTOR.

<sup>7</sup> Chan, Thomas, Fruiht, Veronica, & McInnis, Nicardo. *Building Blocks for a happy life: Longitudinal associations between early life income, mentorship and later well-being*. *American Journal of Community Psychology*, 2024.

<sup>8</sup> DuBois, D. L., Portillo, N., Rhodes, J. E., Silverthorn, N., & Valentine, J. C. How effective are mentoring programs for youth? A systematic assessment of the evidence. *Psychological Science in the Public Interest*, 12(2), 57–91, 2011.

<sup>9</sup> Tolan, P., Henry, D., Schoeny, M., & Bass, A. Mentoring interventions to affect juvenile delinquency and associated problems. *Campbell Systematic Reviews* 2008:16DOI: 10.4073/csr.2008.16

<sup>10</sup> Hurd, N., Zimmerman, M., & Reischl, T. (2011). Role model behavior and youth violence: A study of positive and negative effects. *Journal of early adolescence – Journal of early Adolescence*, 31. 323-354. 10.1177/0272431610363160.

<sup>11</sup> Jarjoura, G. R., et al., (2018). *Evaluation of the Mentoring Enhancement Demonstration Program: Technical report*. Washington, DC: American Institute for Research.

<sup>12</sup> DuBois, D. L., Herrera, C., & Higley, E. (2018). Investigation of the reach and effectiveness of a mentoring program for youth receiving outpatient mental health services. *Children and Youth Services Review*, 91, 85–93.

<sup>13</sup> Chan, Thomas, Fruiht, Veronica, & McInnis, Nicardo. *Building Blocks for a happy life: Longitudinal associations between early life income, mentorship and later well-being*. *American Journal of Community Psychology*, 2024.

<sup>14</sup> Curtis, A., & Bandy, T. (2015). *The Quantum Opportunities program: A randomized control evaluation*. Washington, D.C.: The Eisenhower Foundation.

and volunteer. School-based mentoring programs also have a positive impact on a variety of outcomes, including reducing truancy and absenteeism rates and school-related misconduct and increasing scholastic efficacy and peer support.<sup>15</sup>

- **Mentoring and opioid and other substance use.** Access to caring adult mentors is a protective factor for young people, lowering the likely incidents of drug use and other harmful behaviors.<sup>16</sup> This is especially true for youth who have a parent, caregiver, or other loved one struggling with or dying because of drug misuse. Further, because mentoring programs can offer support at all three prevention levels (primary, secondary, and tertiary),<sup>17</sup> practitioners are important resources in combating the opioid crisis. While primary prevention work is the most critical from a public health perspective, research demonstrates that caring relationships can bolster treatment and recovery.
- **Mentoring and character development.** Research has found that fostering a sense of belonging and forging a sense of personal character were among the most meaningful forms of support offered by mentors.<sup>18</sup> Too many American youth are growing up without these core aspects of human development, and in their isolation can drift into antisocial or even violent behaviors. Mentoring relationships are a cornerstone of a healthy society that allows all parties to contribute and find their positive path.
- **Mentoring for Youth in Rural Communities.** Low-income rural youth report some of the lowest rates of mentoring of any demographic group in the country. This presents an important directive for expansion, as studies show many acute benefits to young people in rural communities, such as health improvements, mental health gains, academic achievement, and reducing externalized negative behaviors.<sup>19</sup>

As youth-serving organizations committed to ensuring young people are loved, supported, and set up for success in life, we recognize the unique capabilities of the Youth Mentoring Program grant to improve outcomes for young people facing risk, and its capacity to scale effective evidence-based practices and support. We urge you to support these efforts by providing robust funding for the program in the FY26 Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies Appropriations bill.

We appreciate your time and attention to this important issue. Please contact us should you require additional information.

Sincerely,

National Organizations

Afterschool Alliance (Washington, DC)  
After-School All-Stars (Los Angeles, CA)  
AHHIM Inc. (New York, NY)  
American Camp Association (Martinsville, IN)  
Applied Research Consulting (Fairfax, VA)  
Big Brothers Big Sisters of America (Tampa, FL)  
Big Thought (Dallas, TX)  
Boys & Girls Clubs of America (Atlanta, GA)  
CareerVillage.org (San Francisco, CA)

CoGenerate (San Francisco, CA)  
Cohen Strategy Group, LLC (New York, NY)  
Elevate USA (Denver, CO)  
Eluna (Philadelphia, PA)  
Friends of the Children (Portland, OR)  
Girlstart (Austin, TX)  
"I Have a Dream" Foundation (New York, NY)  
JusticeWorks Youth Care (Pittsburgh, PA)  
Leadership Foundations (Tacoma, WA)  
MENTOR (Boston, MA)  
Multicultural Council of America (Clinton Township, MI)

<sup>15</sup> Wheeler, M. E., Keller, T. E., & DuBois, D. L. (2010). Review of three recent randomized trials of school-based mentoring: making sense of mixed findings. *Social Policy Report*, 24(3), 3–21.

<sup>16</sup> Beier, S. R., Rosenfeld, W. D., Spitalny, K. C., Zansky, S. M., & Bontempo, A. N. (2000). The potential role of an adult mentor in influencing high-risk behavior in adolescents. *Archives of Pediatrics and Adolescent Medicine*, 154, 328–331.

<http://dx.doi.org/10.1001/archpedi.154.4.327>

<sup>17</sup> Kaswa R. (2021). Primary healthcare approach to substance abuse management. *South African family practice: official journal of the South African Academy of Family Practice/Primary Care*, 63(1), e1–e4. <https://doi.org/10.4102/safp.v63i1.5307>

<sup>18</sup> Garringer, Michael, & Benning, Chelsea. *Who Mentored You?: A Study Examining the Role Mentors Have Played in the Lives Of Americans Over the Last Half Century*. MENTOR: The National Mentoring Partnership, 2023.

<sup>19</sup> Bayer, A., Grossman, J. B., & DuBois, D. L. (2015). Using volunteer mentors to improve the academic outcomes of underserved students: The role of relationships. *Journal of Community Psychology*, 43(4), 408–429

National Recreation and Park Association (Ashburn, VA)  
Partners for Youth with Disabilities (Boston, MA)  
Positively Partners (Boston, MA)  
Precious Stone (Fort Wayne, IN)  
Silver Lining Mentoring (Boston, MA)  
SOS Outreach (Avon, CO)  
Summer Search (Oakland, CA)  
Take Stock In Children (West Palm Beach, FL)

#### Statewide and Local Organizations

##### **Alabama**

###### *Statewide*

Alabama Alliance of the Boys & Girls Clubs (Birmingham)

###### *Local*

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Greater Birmingham (Birmingham)  
Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Central Gulf Coast, Inc. (Mobile)  
Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Shoals, Inc. (Florence)  
Boys & Girls Club of Southeast Alabama (Ozark)  
Boys & Girls Clubs of East Alabama, Inc. (Auburn)  
Boys & Girls Clubs of East Central Alabama (Anniston)  
Boys & Girls Clubs of Gadsden/Etowah County (Gadsden)  
Boys & Girls Clubs of South Alabama (Mobile)  
Boys & Girls Clubs of Southwest Alabama (Thomasville)  
Boys & Girls Clubs of the River Region (Montgomery)  
Boys & Girls Clubs of the Wiregrass (Dothan)  
Boys & Girls Clubs of West Alabama (Tuscaloosa)

##### **Alaska**

###### *Statewide*

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Alaska (Anchorage)

##### **Arizona**

###### *Local*

Big Brother Big Sisters of Central Arizona (Phoenix)  
New Pathways for Youth (Phoenix)

##### **Arkansas**

###### *Statewide*

Arkansas Alliance of Boys & Girls Clubs (Benton)

###### *Local*

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Central Arkansas (Little Rock)  
Big Brothers Big Sisters of Northwest Arkansas (Fayetteville)  
Boys & Girls Club of Central Arkansas (Little Rock)  
Boys & Girls Club of Crittenden County (West Memphis)  
Boys & Girls Club of Magnolia (Magnolia)  
Boys & Girls Club of South Logan County (Booneville)  
Boys & Girls Clubs of Jefferson County (Pine Bluff)  
Boys & Girls Clubs of the Diamond Hills (Alma)  
Donald W. Reynolds Boys & Girls Club (Fayetteville)  
Fort Smith Boys & Girls Clubs (Fort Smith)  
Sims Strategic Mentoring (North Little Rock)  
South Sebastian County Boys and Girls Club (Greenwood)

##### **California**

###### *Statewide*

Be A Mentor, Inc. (Hayward)  
California Alliance of Boys & Girls Clubs (San Francisco)  
MENTOR California (Oakland)

###### *Local*

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Orange County & The Inland Empire  
(OC & The Inland Empire)

The DREAM Program (Winooski, VT)  
The Mentoring Project (Seattle, WA)  
U.S. Dream Academy (Silver Spring, MD)  
U.S. Soccer Foundation (Washington, DC)  
YMCA of the USA (Chicago, IL)  
Youth Collaboratory (Pittsburgh, PA)  
Youth Villages (Memphis, TN)

Big Brothers Big Sisters of San Diego County (San Diego)  
Big Brothers Big Sisters of Santa Cruz County (Santa Cruz)  
Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Greater Sacramento Area, Inc.  
(Sacramento)  
Big Brothers Big Sisters of the North Coast (Eureka)  
Catholic Big Brothers Big Sisters of Los Angeles County (Los  
Angeles)  
City of Dreams (San Francisco)  
First Exposures (San Francisco)  
Mentoring for Success -- SFUSD (San Francisco)  
Rainbow Labs (Los Angeles)  
Sacramento Chinese Community Service Center, Inc.  
(Sacramento)

##### **Colorado**

###### *Statewide*

Big Brothers Big Sisters Colorado (Denver)

###### *Local*

Boys & Girls Club of Fremont County (Canon City)  
Boys & Girls Clubs of the San Luis Valley (Alamosa)  
Buddy Program (Aspen)  
Chaffee County Mentors (Salida)  
Partners for Youth (Steamboat Springs)  
Save Our Youth (Denver)  
Sims Fayola Foundation (Aurora)

##### **Connecticut**

###### *Statewide*

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Connecticut (Hartford)  
Connecticut Alliance of Boys & Girls Clubs (Hartford)  
Sea Research Foundation, Inc. (Mystic)  
The Governor's Prevention Partnership (East Hartford)

###### *Local*

Boys & Girls Club of Milford (Milford)  
Boys & Girls Clubs of Bristol Connecticut (Bristol)  
Boys & Girls Clubs of the Lower Naugatuck Valley (Ansonia)  
Thompson Ecumenical Empowerment Group (Thompson)

##### **Delaware**

###### *Statewide*

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Delaware, Inc. (Wilmington)  
Boys & Girls Clubs of Delaware (Wilmington)

##### **District of Columbia**

Big Brothers Big Sisters of the National Capital Area (Washington)  
Kid Power, Inc. (Washington)

##### **Florida**

###### *Statewide*

Florida Alliance of Boys & Girls Clubs (Tallahassee)  
MENTOR Florida (Delray Beach)  
Powerhouse Youth Project (Lady Lake)

*Local*

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Broward County (Fort Lauderdale)  
Big Brothers Big Sisters of Miami (Miami)  
Big Brothers Big Sisters of Palm Beach and Martin Counties, Inc. (West Palm Beach)  
Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Sun Coast (Sarasota)  
Butterfly Effect Girls Mentoring Inc. (Miami Dade)  
Center for Learning Innovation & Change (Miami)  
Connect to Greatness, Inc. (Boynton Beach)  
Path to College (Lake Worth)  
Soccer for Peace Foundation, Inc. (FCC USA) (Miami, Florida)

**Georgia**

*Statewide*

Jared's Heart of Success, Inc. (Atlanta)

*Local*

"I Have A Dream" Atlanta Foundation (Atlanta)  
Big Brothers Big Sisters Metro Atlanta (Atlanta)  
Diamond in the Rough (Snellville)  
Elite Eagles Inc. (Augusta)  
M. Fayes Youth Mentoring Limited (Chester)

**Hawaii**

*Statewide*

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Hawaii (Honolulu)

*Local*

Boys & Girls Clubs of Maui, Inc. (Maui)

**Idaho**

*Statewide*

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Idaho (Boise)

**Illinois**

*Statewide*

Illinois Alliance of Boys & Girls Clubs (Springfield)  
Illinois Youth Soccer Association (Arlington Heights)

*Local*

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Metropolitan Chicago (Chicago)  
KFACT (Rockford)

**Indiana**

*Statewide*

Edge 21 (Greencastle)  
Holistic Evolution Inc. (H.E.) (Valparaiso)  
Indiana Alliance of Boys & Girls Clubs (Indianapolis)  
Indiana Youth Institute (Jasper)  
MENTOR Indiana (Indianapolis)

*Local*

Big Brothers Big Sisters Northwest Indiana (Merrillville)  
Big Brothers Big Sisters of Central Indiana (Indianapolis)  
Boys & Girls Clubs of Bloomington (Bloomington)  
Boys & Girls Clubs of Elkhart County (Goshen)  
Boys & Girls Clubs of Shelby County (Shelbyville)  
Boys & Girls Clubs of Wayne County (Richmond)  
EDGE 21 (Greencastle)  
PATH, Inc. (Portage)  
Starfish Initiative (Indianapolis)  
Take Heart, Inc. (South Bend)

**Iowa**

*Statewide*

Iowa Alliance of Boys & Girls Clubs (Des Moines)

*Local*

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Cedar Rapids and East Central Iowa (Cedar Rapids)  
Big Brothers Big Sisters of Central Iowa (Des Moines)  
Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Mississippi Valley (Davenport)  
Boys & Girls Clubs of Central Iowa (Des Moines)  
Bridges Mentoring Program (Osage)  
Club M Youth Mentoring Program (Burlington)  
Dike-New Hartford Community Schools (Dike)  
Everybody Wins! Iowa (Des Moines)  
Girls Rock! Des Moines (Windsor Heights)  
Heart of Iowa Big Brothers Big Sisters (Marshalltown)  
Helping Services for Youth & Families (Decorah)  
Independence Schools Mustang Mentoring Program (Independence)  
ManUp Iowa Mentoring Inc. (Des Moines)  
Mason City Youth Task Force (Mason City)  
STARS Youth Mentoring Program (Storm Lake)

**Kansas**

*Local*

Boys & Girls Club of Lawrence (Lawrence)  
Boys & Girls Clubs of Hutchinson (Hutchinson)  
Boys & Girls Clubs of Topeka (Topeka)

**Kentucky**

*Statewide*

Kentucky Alliance of Boys & Girls Clubs (Louisville)

*Local*

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Kentuckiana (Louisville)

**Louisiana**

*Local*

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Acadiana (Lafayette)  
Big Brothers Big Sisters of Southwest Louisiana (Lake Charles)

**Maine**

*Statewide*

Maine Alliance of Boys & Girls Clubs (Portland)  
Rural Futures Fund (Portland)  
Rural Youth Institute (Yarmouth)

*Local*

Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Waterville (Waterville)  
Boys & Girls Clubs of Kennebec Valley (Gardiner)  
Regional School Unit #34 (Old Town)  
The Root Cellar (Lewiston and Portland)

**Maryland**

*Local*

Big Brothers Big Sisters at the Y (Towson)  
Big Brothers Big Sisters of Washington County (Hagerstown)  
Charting Careers (Annapolis)  
Community Bridges, Inc. (Silver Spring)  
First Line Strategies Unlimited, Inc. (Baltimore City)  
Sisters Circle, Inc. (Baltimore)

**Massachusetts***Statewide*

Mass Mentoring Partnership (Boston)

*Local*

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Central Mass and MetroWest (Worcester)

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Eastern Mass (Boston)

Boston Partners in Education (Boston)

EVkids, Inc. (Boston)

Urban League of Springfield, Inc. (Springfield)

**Michigan***Statewide*

Child Safe Michigan (Royal Oak)

Michigan Alliance of Boys & Girls Clubs (Farmington Hills)

*Local*

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Flint and Genesee County (Flint)

Boys & Girls Clubs of Grand Rapids Youth Commonwealth (Grand Rapids)

Sheriff PAL Program (Pontiac)

**Minnesota***Statewide*

BestPrep (Brooklyn Park)

High Tech Kids (Eagan)

MENTOR Minnesota (Minneapolis)

*Local*

Autism Mentorship Program (Minneapolis)

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Central Minnesota (St. Cloud)

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Southern Minnesota (Owatonna)

Big Brothers Big Sisters Twin Cities (Minneapolis)

DARTS (West St. Paul)

Kids 'N Kinship (Apple Valley)

Mentor North (Duluth)

Project Friendship (Northfield)

Revival Mentoring (Saint Paul)

RiseUp Partnership (Red Wing)

This Is Me (Northfield)

**Mississippi***Statewide*

Mississippi Alliance of Boys & Girls Clubs (Corinth)

*Local*

Boys & Girls Club of Covington County (Collins)

Boys & Girls Clubs of Central Mississippi (Jackson)

Boys & Girls Clubs of the Mississippi Delta (Greenwood)

**Missouri***Statewide*

Missouri Alliance of Boys & Girls Clubs (St. Louis)

*Local*

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Greater Kansas City (Kansas City)

Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Ozarks (Springfield)

Boys & Girls Club of the Heartland (Poplar Bluff)

Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater St. Louis (St. Louis)

Boys & Girls Clubs of St. Charles County (St. Charles)

The Mattie Rhodes Memorial Society (Kansas City)

**Montana***Local*

Boys & Girls Club of Lewistown (Lewistown)

Boys & Girls Club of Missoula County (Missoula)

Boys & Girls Clubs of the MonDak (Sidney)

Boys & Girls Clubs of Yellowstone County (Billings)

**Nebraska***Statewide*

International Council for Refugees and Immigrants (Omaha)

MENTOR Nebraska (Omaha)

*Local*

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Central Nebraska (Grand Island)

Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Midlands (Omaha)

Boys & Girls Club of Lincoln/Lancaster County (Lincoln)

Boys & Girls Clubs of the Midlands (Omaha)

Community Connections Mentoring (North Platte)

Girls Inc. of Omaha Pathfinders Mentoring Program (Omaha)

International Council for Refugees and Immigrants, Inc. (Omaha)

Kids Can Community Center (Omaha)

MentoringWorks (Hastings)

Partnership for Kids (Omaha)

The Friends Program (Kearney)

Visionary Youth (Lincoln)

**Nevada***Statewide*

Nevada Alliance of Boys & Girls Clubs (Las Vegas)

*Local*

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Northern Nevada (Reno)

**New Hampshire***Statewide*

Big Brothers Big Sisters of New Hampshire (Stratham)

*Local*

Boys & Girls Club of Greater Derry (Derry)

Boys & Girls Club of Greater Nashua (Nashua)

Boys & Girls Club of Greater Salem Inc. (Salem)

Boys & Girls Club of Souhegan Valley (Milford)

Boys & Girls Clubs of Central and Northern New Hampshire (Concord)

Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Manchester (Manchester)

**New Jersey***Statewide*

New Jersey Alliance of Boys & Girls Clubs (Clifton)

*Local*

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Atlantic & Cape May Counties (Northfield)

Boys & Girls Club of Clifton (Clifton)

Boys & Girls Club of Garfield (Garfield)

Boys & Girls Club of Newark (Newark)

Boys & Girls Clubs of Gloucester County, Inc. (Glassboro)

Boys & Girls Clubs of Lower Bergen County (Lodi)

Boys & Girls Clubs of Northwest New Jersey (Wayne)

Leaders of the 21st Century (Newark)

MENTOR Newark (Newark)

**New Mexico***Local*

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Mountain Region (Santa Fe)  
Boys & Girls Club of Las Cruces (Las Cruces)  
Boys & Girls Clubs of San Juan County (Farmington)

**New York***Statewide*

Global Empowerment and Mentoring Initiative (Queens)  
MENTOR New York (New York)

*Local*

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Erie, Niagara and the Southern Tier (Buffalo)  
Big Brothers Big Sisters of Long Island (Westbury)  
Big Brothers Big Sisters of New York City (New York City)  
Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Capital Region (NY) (Albany)  
Big Brothers Big Sisters of Westchester (Port Chester)  
Hicksville Boys & Girls Club (Hicksville)  
Mentor Me of Ulster County (Kingston)  
New York University (New York City)  
Youth Mentoring Services of Niagara County Inc. (Lockport)

**North Carolina***Statewide*

Camp S.W.A.G. (Cary)  
Youth Ambassadors of Service (Raleigh)

*Local*

Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Central Piedmont (Greensboro)  
Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Triangle, Inc. (Morrisville)  
Mentoring M.I.N.D.S (Charlotte)  
Surry/Stokes Friends of Youth (Mount Airy)

**North Dakota***Local*

Boys & Girls Clubs of the Red River Valley (Fargo)

**Ohio***Local*

All THAT (Teens Hopeful About Tomorrow) (Columbus)  
Big Brothers Big Sisters Miami Valley (Dayton)  
Big Brothers Big Sisters of Butler County (Hamilton)  
Big Brothers Big Sisters of East Central Ohio (New Philadelphia)  
Big Brothers Big Sisters of Licking and Perry Counties (Newark)  
Big Brothers Big Sisters of Northwestern Ohio (Toledo)  
Big Brothers Big Sisters of Summit, Medina, and Stark Counties (Akron)  
Big Brothers Big Sisters of Zanesville (Zanesville)  
College Now Greater Cleveland (Cleveland)  
Girls L.E.A.P. (Columbus)  
The Legacy Project of Stark (Massillon)

**Oklahoma***Statewide*

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Oklahoma (Tulsa)

*Local*

Boys & Girls Club of Adair County Schools (Stilwell)  
Boys & Girls Club of Bartlesville (Bartlesville)  
Boys & Girls Club of Darlington (El Reno)  
Boys & Girls Club of Nowata (Nowata)  
Boys & Girls Club of Sequoyah County (Sallisaw)  
Boys & Girls Club of Tahlequah, OK (Tahlequah)  
Boys & Girls Clubs of Delaware County (Jay)

Boys & Girls Clubs of Green Country (Pryor, Locust Grove, Chouteau)

Boys & Girls Clubs of Oklahoma County (Oklahoma City)  
Center for Children and Families, Inc. (Norman)  
LeFlore County Coalition for Healthy Living (Poteau)  
Tinker AFB Youth Programs (Oklahoma City)

**Oregon***Local*

Big Brothers Big Sisters Columbia NW (Portland)  
Citizens for Safe Schools (Klamath Falls)  
Rogue Valley Mentoring (Medford)

**Pennsylvania***Local*

Big Brothers Big Sisters Independence Region (Philadelphia)  
Big Brothers Big Sisters of Beaver County (New Brighton)  
Big Brothers Big Sisters of Greater Pittsburgh, Inc. (Pittsburgh)  
Big Brothers Big Sisters of South-Central Pennsylvania (Harrisburg)  
Chester Upland Youth Soccer (Media)  
Cray Youth and Family Services, Inc. (New Castle)  
Open Mind Creative Concepts, LLC (Williamsport)  
The Mentoring Partnership of Southwestern PA (Pittsburgh)

**Rhode Island***Statewide*

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Rhode Island (Providence)  
Girls on the Run Rhode Island (Providence)  
MENTOR Rhode Island: The Rhode Island Mentoring Partnership, Inc. (Warwick)  
North End Outreach (Providence)  
Refugee Dream Center (Providence)  
Rhode Island for Community and Justice (Providence)

*Local*

Inspiring Minds (Providence)  
NeighborWorks Blackstone River Valley (Woonsocket)  
New Urban Arts (Providence)  
Watts Natural Tutoring (Providence)  
West Warwick Public Schools Mentor Program (West Warwick)  
Emerge Mentoring, Stone Coast Community Church (Warren)

**South Carolina***Local*

Big Brothers Big Sisters Upstate (Spartanburg)  
Greenville Mentoring Collaborative (Greenville)

**South Dakota***Statewide*

South Dakota Alliance of Boys & Girls Clubs (Sioux Falls)

*Local*

Boys & Girls Clubs of Lower Brule Sioux Tribe (Lower Brule)  
Boys & Girls Clubs of the Sioux Empire (Sioux Falls)  
Boys & Girls Clubs of Watertown (Watertown)  
United Way and Volunteer Services of Greater Yankton (Yankton)

**Tennessee***Statewide*

Youth Engagement Service, Inc. (Clarksville)

*Local*

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Greater Chattanooga (Chattanooga)  
Big Brothers Big Sisters of Middle Tennessee (Nashville)

CodeCrew (Memphis)  
Kingdom Partners (Chattanooga)

## **Texas**

### *Statewide*

Inspire Change Everywhere (Austin)  
MENTOR Texas (Austin)

### *Local*

Big Brothers and Big Sisters of El Paso (El Paso)  
Big Brothers Big Sisters Lone Star (Farmers Branch)  
Big Brothers Big Sisters of Central Texas (Austin)  
Big Brothers Big Sisters of Hereford (Hereford)  
Big Brothers Big Sisters of South Texas (San Antonio)  
Boys & Girls Clubs of the Brazos Valley (Bryan)  
Boys & Girls Club of Alice (Alice)  
Boys & Girls Club of Austin County, Inc. (Bellville)  
Boys & Girls Club of Beeville, Inc. (Beeville)  
Boys & Girls Club of Brazoria County (Angleton)  
Boys & Girls Club of Cooke County (Gainesville)  
Boys & Girls Club of Mission (Mission)  
Boys & Girls Club of Rusk County (Henderson)  
Boys & Girls Club of the Big Country (Abilene)  
Boys & Girls Club of Walker County (Huntsville)  
Boys & Girls Clubs of Deep East Texas (Nacogdoches)  
Boys & Girls Clubs of the Austin Area (Austin)  
Boys & Girls Clubs of the Concho Valley (San Angelo)  
Boys & Girls Clubs of Victoria (Victoria)  
Boys & Girls Clubs of Harlingen (Harlingen)  
Greater Austin YMCA (Austin)  
Project Mentor (Conroe)  
Seedling Foundation (Austin)  
UP Partnership (San Antonio)  
Volunteers In Probation (San Antonio)

## **Utah**

### *Statewide*

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Utah (Salt Lake City)

### *Local*

Grand Area Mentoring (Moab)

## **Vermont**

### *Statewide*

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Vermont (Battleboro)  
MENTOR Vermont (Burlington)

### *Local*

Cabot Mentoring (Cabot)  
The Mentor Connector (Rutland)  
Windsor County Mentors (Windsor)

## **Virginia**

### *Statewide*

Angel Wings of Excellence Foundation, LLC. (Woodbridge)  
MENTOR Virginia (Richmond)

### *Local*

Big Brothers Big Sisters Services, Inc (Richmond)  
Boys to Men Mentoring Network of Virginia (Rockville)  
Clarity Leadership (Warsaw)

Danville Church & Community Tutorial Program (Danville)  
Girls2Women - Virginia (Richmond)  
Harraseeket Foundation (Falls Church)  
Higher Achievement Richmond (Richmond)  
L.A.U.N.C.H for Life (Midlothian)  
Positive Philter LLC (Fairfax)  
The Spitfire Club (Alexandria)  
Youth Business Exchange (Chesterfield)

## **Washington**

### *Statewide*

MENTOR Washington (Bellevue)  
Washington Alliance of Boys & Girls Clubs (Olympia)  
Washington Youth Soccer Foundation (Tukwila)  
You Grow Girl! (Seattle)  
Young Women Empowered (Seattle)

### *Local*

Big Bro Joe Foundation (Kennewick)  
Big Brothers Big Sisters of Snohomish County (Everett)  
Big Brothers Big Sisters of Southwest Washington (Olympia)  
Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Inland Northwest (Spokane)  
Big Homie Program (Lakewood)  
Citizens for Safe Yakima Valley Communities (Yakima)  
Eileen and Callie's Place (King & Pierce County)  
Empowering Youth Mentor Program (Bremerton)  
Friends of Children of Walla Walla (Walla Walla)  
Friends of the Children - SW Washington (Vancouver)  
Hello Life Eating Disorder Recovery Services (Longview)  
Phenomenal She (Federal Way)  
Rainier Athletes (Bellevue)  
Route 21 (Seattle)  
Voices of Pacific Island Nations (Kingston)  
Your Money Matters Mentoring (Auburn)

## **West Virginia**

### *Local*

Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Tri-state (Huntington)

## **Wisconsin**

### *Local*

All-In Milwaukee (Milwaukee)  
Big Brothers Big Sisters of Dane County (Madison)  
Big Brothers Big Sisters of East Central Wisconsin (Neenah)  
Big Brothers Big Sisters of Green County, Inc (Monroe)  
Big Brothers Big Sisters of Metro Milwaukee (Milwaukee)  
Big Brothers Big Sisters of Northeast Wisconsin, Inc. (Green Bay)  
Big Brothers Big Sisters Wisconsin Shoreline (Sheboygan)  
Mentor Chippewa (Chippewa Falls)  
MENTOR Greater Milwaukee (Milwaukee)  
Milwaukee Fellows (Milwaukee)  
Outagamie County Mentoring Program (Appleton)  
Purpose Meets Planning, LLC. (Milwaukee)  
RISE Youth & Family Services (Milwaukee)  
Silver Spring Neighborhood Center (Milwaukee)  
Voice for the Youth (Milwaukee)

## **Wyoming**

### *Local*

Boys & Girls Club of Douglas (Douglas)  
Boys & Girls Club of Sweetwater County (Rock Springs)

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