

BIG BROTHERS/BIG SISTERS OF WARREN COUNTY

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DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES

Community-Based Program – Matches children between the ages of six and sixteen from primarily single parent families to professionally screened and trained adult volunteers. The Big Brothers and Big Sisters serve as friends and role models, helping children gain greater self-confidence. Volunteers see their Little Brothers and Sisters three to four times per month and must be over 18. Bigs and Littles do simple things together such as playing catch or baking cookies - becoming friends. The case management staff supervises matches.

School-Based Program – Matches third and fourth grade students to professionally screened and trained volunteers. The Big Brothers and Big Sisters serve as friends and role models, helping the students gain greater self-confidence. A partnership is developed with a local business. The employees spend one lunch hour per week with a student at school helping with class work, playing games and getting to know each other. Volunteers must be over 18. The case management staff supervises matches.

High School Bigs Program – Matches middle school students to professionally screened and trained college bound high school students. The Big Brothers and Big Sisters serve as friends and role models, helping the student gain greater self-confidence. The Big Brothers and Big Sisters see their Little Brothers and Little Sisters two times per month during a supervised afterschool program. Activities that they do together include class work, project and report preparation, playing games and getting to know each other. Volunteers must be over 18. The case management staff supervises matches.

Volunteer screening includes an interview, a reference check, a criminal background check and a home visit. The child intake includes a parent and child interview and a school inquiry. The Community-Based Program serves all of Warren County.