



WHAT IS A MENTOR?



Consistent presence, someone to talk to



Help navigate challenges and strive for success



Individual attention, support, & encouragement



WHY A MENTOR?

TODAY'S SOCIETAL CHALLENGES ARE CREATING AN OPPORTUNITY DESERT FOR YOUNG PEOPLE



Classrooms are **OVERCROWDED**



Networks are **LIMITED**



Geography is **ISOLATING**



Communities are **DISCONNECTED**

OUR LITTLES

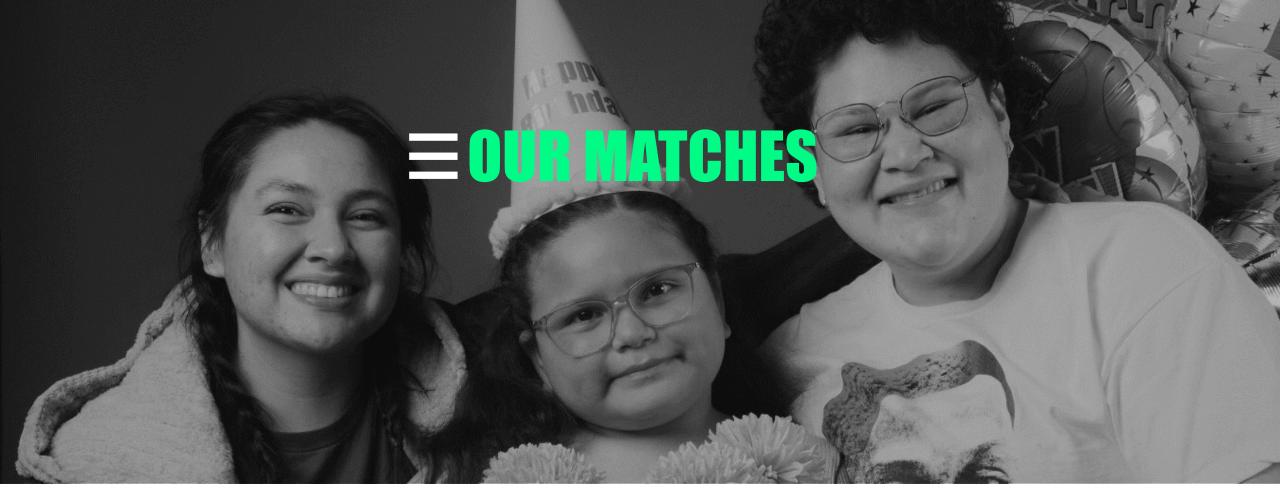
- Ages 6-18
- A need for a Big
 - Adverse Childhood Experiences
 - Low-income households
- They want a Big



OUR BIGS



- 18 years or older
- Spend time not money
- Enrollment Process
 - Group Orientation
 - Interview
 - Online Training
 - Background Check
 - Driver's History Check
 - Reference Checks
 - Additional Training





Friendship based on compatibility



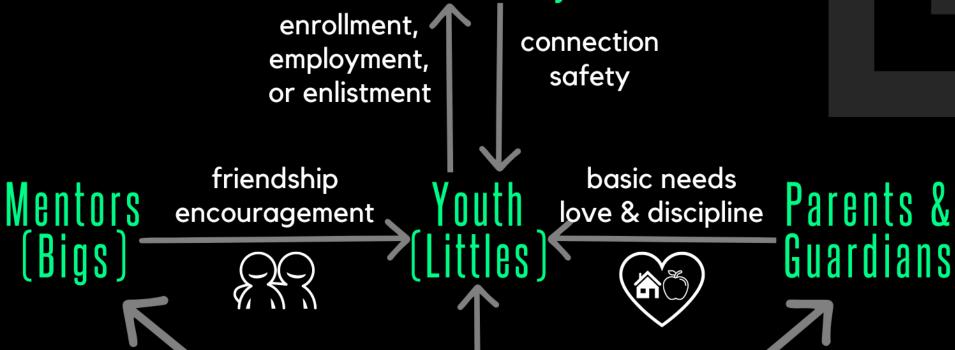
Spend 4-6 hours together monthly



Partners'
Match

OUR NETWORK OF SUPPORT





advocacy compassion activities coaching

resources for food, housing, counseling, etc.

OUR PROGRAMS



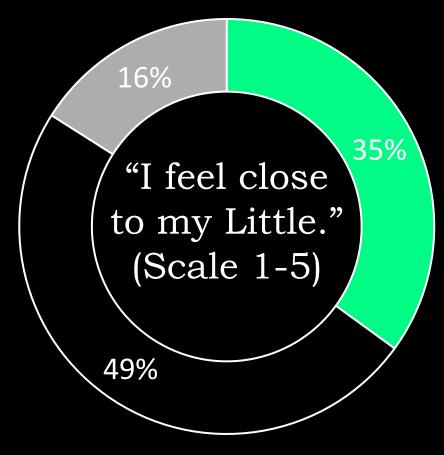


- Activities out in the community
- Exposure to new experiences
- Schedule and activities are flexible and decided by you

- At Mater Academy
- Weekly one-hour meetings
- Games, activity packets, sports, homework, etc.

OUR IMPACT

Bigs







Rewarding and satisfies a need to give back to your community



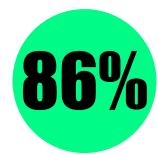
Opportunities to network with other volunteers



Greater understanding of children and others' perspectives

OUR IMPACT

Littles



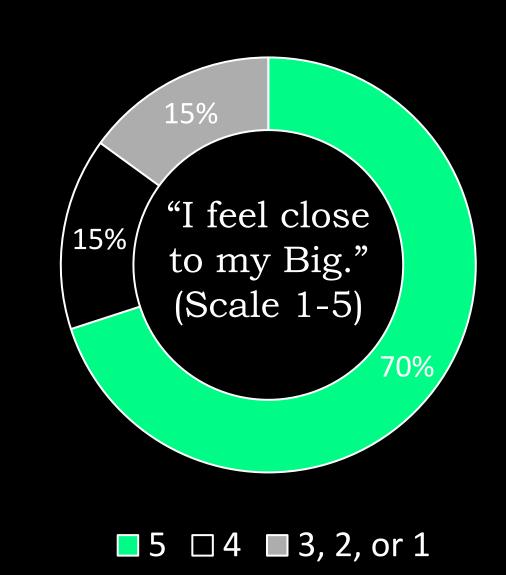
of age-eligible Littles graduated high school vs. 81% county wide



of Littles avoided the juvenile justice system



of Littles maintained or improved their educational expectations

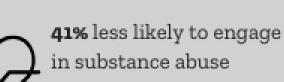


ACCESS TO POSITIVE MENTORSHIP IS...

GOOD FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

\$200,000 increased earnings over their lifetime





GOOD FOR THE ECONOMY

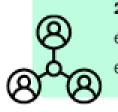


REDUCES costs for treating mental health issues that linger into adulthood

employee by creating a more prepared, productive, & engaged workforce

GOOD FOR SOCIETY

FOSTERS more friendships & social connections across socioeconomic, racial, & geographic lines



20% increase in upward economic mobility through expanded social networks



There are more than 150 Littles waiting for YOU!

Littles waiting the longest are:

- Little Brothers looking for Big Brothers
- Littles whose families speak English as a second language



Volunteer as a Big



Nominate someone to become a Big



Invite us to speak



Support an upcoming event

