



Big Brothers Big Sisters

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24 Ways to Start **Something**

- 1. Become a mentor.
- 2. Schedule a Big Brothers Big Sisters presentation with employees at your office or with other social groups you are involved in (church, service organization, etc.) A staff representative will educate your group on the many ways to be involved, including how to become a Big.
- 3. Recruit two volunteers to serve as mentors in our programs.
- 4. Decorate a "Pin of Art" for our Pins for Kids' Sake event.
- 5. Encourage parents with daughters to sign them up to get a Big Sister. Little Sisters are matched quickly because there's a short wait list.
- 6. Volunteer at one of our events, such as the Holiday Party, Ice Cream Social or Bowl For Kids' Sake.
- 7. Find out more about board service or becoming an ad hoc member on a committee.
- 8. If you are between 20 and 35 years of age, join Big Brothers Big Sisters' Young Professionals Committee.
- 9. Offer a discount from your business to our matches.
- 10. Sponsor one of our Match Activities, volunteer recognition events or Big for a Day events.
- 11. Provide tickets for our matches to attend community and sporting events.
- 12. Donate books, candy, board games, arts and craft items or school supplies to be used for our afterschool programs or distributed to our Littles.
- 13. Donate nonperishable snacks and beverages for our volunteer trainings including coffee, packaged cookies, crackers, soda, bottled water, etc.
- 14. Donate office supplies such as pens, paper, and working laptops to the Brothers Big Sisters office.
- 15. Donate grocery store gift cards to be used as raffle prizes or to help offset food costs for recognition events.
- 16. Contribute financially to Big Brothers Big Sisters:
 - One-time donation
 - Recurring donation
 - Endowment, which ensures our ability to serve children and youth for years to come.
- 17. Donate stocks and securities to Big Brothers Big Sisters.
- 18. Put Big Brothers Big Sisters in your will.
- 19. Become a media friend and help provide placement for our cutting edge promotional print ads and PSA's.
- 20. Consider a corporate sponsorship package or form a team for our largest fundraiser Bowl for Kids' Sake - March 31, 2012.
- 21. Help sell tickets for our special events.
- 22. Host a private reception or special event for a group of Bigs, donors or Bowl For Kids' Sake participants.
- 23. Make Big Brothers Big Sisters a beneficiary on your life insurance.
- 24. Help distribute Big Brothers Big Sisters marketing materials in the community.

YES! I want to help Big Brothers Big Sisters! Please follow up with me about the selected items.

Name: _____

Company/ Organization: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

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