



**Big Brothers
Big Sisters®**
HEART OF ILLINOIS

BIG PICTURE

OUR MISSION

We create and support one-to-one mentoring **relationships** that ignite **the power and promise of youth.**

OUR VISION

Our vision is that **all youth** achieve their full **potential.**

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WHO WE SERVE

OUR LITTLES
78%

Live below the
POVERTY LINE

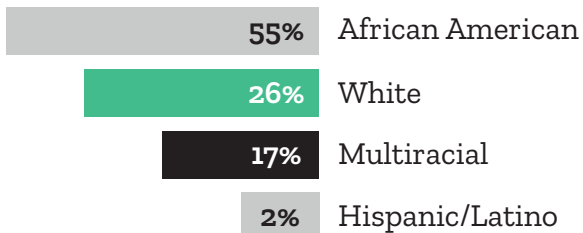
63%

Live in a
**SINGLE PARENT
HOUSEHOLD**

GENDER

59% Female	40% Male	1% Transgender
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RACE/ETHNICITY



267
MATCHES 2023

198

IN OUR
COMMUNITY-BASED
PROGRAM

69

IN OUR
SITE-BASED
PROGRAM

OUR IMPACT

AFTER ONE YEAR IN OUR PROGRAM

Our Littles Report



are doing well in school



are sure they'll graduate high school



feel good about their relationships with their parents thanks to their Big



feel more confident in themselves



feel like they have a special adult in their life they trust








are confident they can say no to drugs, violence, and skipping school

OUR PROGRAMS

COMMUNITY-BASED PROGRAM

Our unique brand of one-to-one mentoring, in which a child facing adversity is carefully matched with a caring adult mentor in a relationship supported by professional Big Brothers Big Sisters staff members, changes lives for the better forever. Community-Based Mentoring matches trusted, caring, screened adults one-to-one with a child in their community. It's all about one-on-one time spent with the volunteer and child doing things they enjoy — a few hours a week filled with shared interests and activities like:

				
Shooting hoops	Playing a board game	Sharing a pizza	Taking a walk in the park	Just hanging out and talking

Each match is unique. Getting together doesn't require a special occasion or expensive activity—just a few hours every week doing things the Little and Big already enjoy.

BBBS mentoring works because a screened, trained volunteer is paired with a child based on their compatibility. Together they receive professional match support as their relationship grows. Also, the schedule can be flexible to meet the needs of mentor and youth. Some Bigs meet their Littles on the weekend — others get together after school. There's almost no one so busy that they can't find a way to fit in a few hours a month.

SITE-BASED PROGRAM

Site Based: School-Based matches meet each week at the Littles' elementary or middle schools for about an hour, taking part in activities like sports, arts and crafts, board games, reading books, doing puzzles and everything in between. Professional HOIBBBS staff provide constant support to matches to ensure child safety and help matches form a trusting bond with each other. School-Based Bigs are asked to commit at least a year to their Little, over time sharing experiences, having fun, and building a friendship that can last a lifetime!

BIG + LITTLES OF THE YEAR



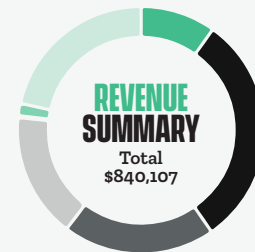
Big Sister, Celsy + Little Sister, Rhaya



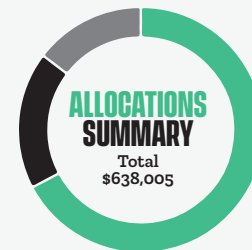
Big Brother, Mike + Little Brother, Dentzin

The Big Brothers Big Sisters of Heart of Illinois (BBBSHOI) recently celebrated the achievements of their Bigs and Littles of the Year. This honor recognizes the outstanding commitment and impact of mentors (Bigs) and their mentees (Littles) who have demonstrated exceptional growth and a strong bond through the program. These individuals exemplify the positive outcomes of mentorship, showcasing how dedicated guidance and support can profoundly influence young lives.

OUR FINANCIALS



10%	Individual Contributions.....	\$82,496
31%	Special Events.....	\$256,655
20%	United Way.....	\$167,449
16%	Grants.....	\$137,061
1%	Interest Income.....	\$2,335
2%	Investment Income.....	\$13,400
21%	Additional Income.....	\$180,711



67%	Programs.....	\$459,265
18%	Fundraising.....	\$123,671
15%	Administrative.....	\$100,069

OUR PEOPLE

Thanks to our donors, 2023 was a year of tremendous impact for Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Heart of Illinois. Your generosity has helped transform the lives of countless young people in our community, empowering them to achieve their full potential. We are deeply grateful for your support and look forward to continuing this important work together.

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