MAKE A BIG IMPACT

Be someone who matters to someone who matters.

ONA CHILD'S FUTURE. BECOME A BIG BUDDY TODAY.





The Delaware Opportunities Inc. Big Buddy Program is a preventive mentoring program for at risk youth of Delaware and Otsego Counties. Our program offers the opportunity for a child (Little Buddy) to have a one-on-one relationship with an adult (Big Buddy) volunteer.

The Big Buddy Program is looking for Big Buddies in Otsego and Delaware Counties. Contact Jaclyn Brownell at 607.746.1746 or bigbuddy@delawareopportunities.org







Mentoring is a rewarding way to promote the success and positive development of our youth. Statistics shows that young people make better decisions about the choices and risks they encounter in their daily lives if they are involved in a mentoring program. They also show improvement in their academics, school attendance and peer relationships. Being a mentor is about paying it forward and helping to raise a community of strong, independent youth who will carry us into the future.

Little Buddies are children ages 5-14 looking for a special friend or role model. Big Buddies are at least 18 and recruited to act as a "big brother" or "big sister" to a child in their community. Big Buddies provide guidance, support, encouragement and boost self-esteem giving their Little Buddies the tools they need to succeed in life.

Big Buddies spend 4-8 hours a month with their Little Buddy for the duration of at least one year. What Big and Little Buddies do together is unique to their personal interests.

The Big Buddy Program also offers monthly group activities that are cultural, recreational, educational, or community service based. All Big and Little Buddies enrolled in the program are invited to attend these free events. Past group activities have included community service projects, roller-skating, bowling, swimming, sporting events, hiking, trips to zoos, parks, museums, discovery centers, theatres and many others.

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