

## **Play a Role in Your Community... Volunteer to be a Big**

Big Brothers Big Sisters has a mission to enrich, encourage and empower children to reach their highest potential through safe, positive mentoring relationships. The Big Brothers Big Sisters program is based on a one-to-one relationship between an adult and child where new experiences help the Little Brother or Little Sister become more self-confident, do better in school and enjoy time with a new friend. With a minimum commitment of one year, mentors help to expose these children to opportunities and experiences that once seemed out of reach.

You don't have to be perfect to be a Big; you just have to be a friend. Most of us can look back on our childhood and name at least one person who made an impact on our life by simply being there for us. Being a Big is one of the most enjoyable and fulfilling things you'll ever do. You have the opportunity to help shape a child's future for the better by empowering them to achieve. And the best part...it's a lot of fun! It's not about finding more time in your life, it's about inviting a child in the life you are already living!

If you are ready to be that person for a promising child in your community, Big Brothers Big Sisters has professionals who are ready to provide guidance and support for your one-to-one match as the relationship grows.

Our recruiting and marketing efforts have proven very effective over the years, but we have found that word of mouth and personal referrals also drive volunteer inquiries to us. If you would like to get your friends, family, company, church, civic or social organization involved with Big Brothers Big Sisters, we can provide you with helpful materials or we could speak to your group.

If you are ready to become a Big or if you would like more information about Big Brothers Big Sisters, please contact Kime Smith, Recruitment Coordinator, at: [KSmith@bbbstx.org](mailto:KSmith@bbbstx.org), or visit our website at: <http://www.bbbstx.org>.