

Mentoring: Why Now?

The need is great and there are over 200 children waiting to be matched. Studies show that **mentoring helps kids** stay in school, avoid risky behaviours such as bullying, and grow up having more respect for family, peers and community.

Why Become a Mentor?

- Mentoring will change your life!
- Creating kinship with littles who need it the most.
- Strengthening a greater sense of community among youth in Yorkton
- BBBS looks great on a resume!



Mentoring changes the course of young lives, which, in turn, can change the future of **communities** by making them **better** places to work, live and thrive.

It can lead to a reduction in poverty and unemployment, to **safer schools** and neighborhoods and to a renewed optimism for **growth**.

Where?

Big Brothers Big Sisters Yorkton & Area provides volunteer based mentoring for children and youth from Yorkton, Melville, Churchbridge, Langenburg, Esterhazy and Rocanville.



Becoming a Volunteer:

The amount of time it takes to become a volunteer with Big Brothers Big Sisters Yorkton and Area can vary and depends on which program you would like to be involved with. There is a Child waiting to be matched!!!

Programs we offer include:

Big Brothers Big Sisters

In-School Mentoring

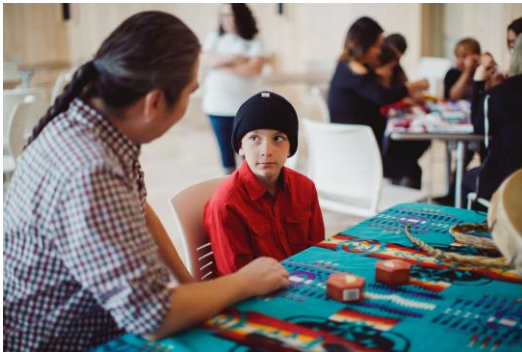
Group Activities

Go Girls and Game On

After School programs and Summer Programs

How to Apply

1. Application: Can be found online at <http://www.bigbrothersbigsisters.ca/yorkton>
2. Interview: Get to know you helps us better place you.
3. Reference Checks: Three people who have known you for a minimum of two years is required
4. Pre-Match Training: to make sure that your experience is fulfilling.
5. If approved a Match is proposed.
6. Match Meeting: Caseworker introduces everyone.
7. Follow-up: Caseworker provides ongoing support.



The Mentoring Effect

According to an independent study conducted by Boston Consulting group, **every \$1** invested in mentoring by Big Brothers Big Sisters **returns \$18 to society** in increased taxes and spending from higher income and increased volunteering and donations.

The research demonstrates mentoring's link to improved academic, social and economic prospects. The mentoring effect is growing and has the potential to help strengthen our communities and economy.

We look forward to hearing from you in the near future. Call (306)782-3471 or email bbbsyorkton@sasktel.net

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