

#### Big Brothers Big Sisters of Ingersoll, Tillsonburg and Area

Offers 12 unique mentoring programs and services approximately 250 children and youth each year.



#### **The Mentoring Effect**

- Boys are 2x more likely to believe that school is fun and that doing well academically is important.
- Teens who engage in mentoring are ½ as likely to engage in binge drinking, drug use and daily cigarette or alcohol use.
- Boys are 2x less likely to develop negative conducts like bullying, fighting, lying and cheating or losing their temper.
- In all our agency programs 89% of matches are made up of formalized one-to-one mentoring relationships. This is proven to be the MOST impactful form of mentorship support!



#### **Testimonials**

- "It's amazing to see the difference you can make in one person's life!" – In-School Mentor
- *"I trust her with the most important thing in my life" Little's mom*
- "Her Big Sister has done things that I could never do for my child. She is someone to her that I just can't be" – Little's mom
- *"She just makes my heart feel good" Little Sister*
- *"He is the best part of my week"* Little Brother
- *"I feel I have a genuine, unconditional friendship with her" Big Sister*
- *"I learned to trust people and that there are people who will help me" Big Bunch Mentee*
- "The best part about having a mentor is that he helps me understand stuff better and he makes me feel better about myself" – In-School Mentee



## Site Based Programs







Active Living Balanced Eating Feeling Good





Eat Smart Play Smart Live Smart









### Community Based Programs











### **Funding Sources**

- United Way of Oxford
- Agency Fundraising Events
  - Curl for Kids Sake
  - Bowl for Kids Sake
  - Bid for Kids Sake Charity Auction & Battle of the Hors D'Oeuvres
- Municipalities
- Granting Bodies (foundations, etc.)
- Sponsorship Events & Programs
- Donations Individual, Corporate
- Third Party Fundraisers



### **Opportunities for Children**



- Berdine Hurley Educational Bursary
- Ryan Landon Memorial Award
- Canadian Tire Jump Start (funding for sports)
- Tim Horton's Children's Foundation Camps
- Local Camp Experiences
- Shoes for Kids
- Agency Activities
- Local Events



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Thank you for taking the time to learn more about the benefits of mentoring through Big Brothers Big Sisters.