

BIG PICTURE

Latest news from Big Brothers Big Sisters of Monmouth & Middlesex Counties



May 2018

A Message from Executive Director William Salcedo

Dear Friends,

May marks my 10th anniversary as the Executive Director of BBBSMMC. I started this journey with just a few team members and Board members. We grew together and evolved our agency into the premier mentoring organization in Monmouth and Middlesex Counties.

I have experienced countless success stories of youth overcoming adversity and reaching their goals with the help of their Big, family, and community. I'm honored to have families work with us to help provide their children with the opportunity for a brighter future. After all these years, I'm still amazed by the kindness of our volunteer Bigs that give up their free time to spend it with their Littles. They encourage them to dream big and that anything is possible.

Through the years, I have become friends with a number of community stakeholders that are committed to providing the resources to help youth succeed in life. BBBSMMC is fortunate to have a group of generous individuals and corporations that support our mission.

I look forward to continuing to serve the community and providing every child that needs and wants a positive role model, with a Big Brother or Big Sister.

In Partnership -

William Salcedo
Executive Director

BIG & LITTLE MATCH ANNIVERSARIES IN MAY

- Big Brother George & Little Brother Chancellor 6 Years
- Big Brother Adam & Little Brother Seven 4 Years
- Big Brother Andrew & Little Brother Ethan 2 Years
- Big Sister Jessica & Little Sister Keyisha 2 Years
- Big Brother Erick & Little Brother Zurriel 2 Years
- Big Sister Wendy & Little Sister Layla 1 Year
- Big Brother Pat & Little Brother Kyvon -1 Year
- Big Sister Lowynda & Little Sister Amira 1 Year
- Big Sister Kathleen & Little Sister Kellyann 1 Year
- Big Sister Gina & Little Sister Ariella 1 Year
- Big Sister Leigh & Little Brother Sammy 1 Year

Raritan Bay Medical Center Mentoring Program Tours the MICU

At our RBMC Beyond School Walls Program, students from Perth Amboy High School took a tour of the Mobile Intensive Care Unit (MICU) led by Director of Operations and Big Brother, Scott Powers. The students got hands-on experience learning about the different life-saving equipment housed in an ambulance, as well as hearing about what EMTs encounter in the field.



Big Brother Scott Powers and Perth Amboy High School Littles touring the MICU

OUR MISSION PARTNERS



Be a BIG.

No special skills required

The Commitment:

- Thorough enrollment process
- 2-4 hours with your Little twice a month for at least 1 year
- Monthly support calls with a BBBS case manager

The Impact:

Making a positive difference in a child's life and future through mentoring

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Inspire • Believe • Achieve

Take Your Little To Work Day!

Little Sister Kelis spent some time with her Big Sister Heather at UBS Financial Services in Red Bank. Heather hopes to inspire her Little Sister by introducing her to successful women in the workplace and showing her what it's like in the working world!

**Little Sister Kelis at UBS on
"Take Your Little to Work Day"**



Share the Love

We are so grateful to Freehold Subaru and Subaru of America, Inc. for supporting BBBS over their past 4 years through the "Share the Love Event". Over the years the dealership has raised more than \$73,000 to help support and expand our 1-to-1 mentoring programs.

**Bigs & Littles Visited Freehold Subaru
for Lunch and a Check Presentation**



Match Highlights

You may recall Chancellor and George from last May's newsletter when their friendship was featured or when they attended our 2014 Gala. Over the 6 years of their friendship George and Chancellor talked a lot about Chancellor's sports teams, professional sports, and more sports but that wasn't all they did. They shared times in Asbury Park at the Silverball Museum (mainly for their pizza!), rode bikes, shot hoops and shared many lunches at the local bagel shop. From time to time George was able to catch a few of Chancellor's games and when he couldn't be there in person Chancellor kept him in the loop. Chancellor is now a senior in high school and still manages to include George in his busy life. We are proud to share the exciting news that Chancellor



Little Chancellor and Big George

was accepted into West Virginia University. Chancellor's high school career included involvement on the lacrosse, wrestling and football teams; However, he was also involved in a peer leadership program and We Dine Together. We love that he's already involving himself in mentoring and community work!

The Importance of Volunteerism



**William Salcedo During His Presentation at
The Congressional Awards Ceremony Held at Rutgers**

Executive Director William Salcedo had the pleasure of being a guest speaker at the Frank Pallone Jr. Sixth Congressional District Spring Awards Ceremony at Rutgers University. Mr. Salcedo spoke about the importance of volunteerism and giving back to the community. Congratulations to all of the award winners!

UPCOMING EVENTS

FORE! The Kids Golf Outing

Join Us
at the Manasquan
River Golf Club
in Brielle, NJ



FORE! the kids
Monday, July 23, 2018 - 10:30AM

Beach Volleyball Tournament

BEACH
Volleyball
Tournament

Join Us at
Main Street Beach in Manasquan, NJ
Sunday, Sept. 16th, 2018 - 10AM

For more information on our events
visit support.bbbsmmc.org

A Little Life is Waiting for a BIG Change

Jonathan is a 13 year old boy who is kind, reserved, and athletic. Jonathan loves to be outdoors. He enjoys playing basketball, football, riding his bike and playing video games. Jonathan also plays the trumpet and currently sits 1st chair. Jonathan believes that a Big would be helpful in school and sports. He would like a Big who is active, likes sports and likes to watch movies.

Find out how to **BECOME A BIG** at www.bbbsmmc.org

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