ENROLL YOUR CHILD AS A LITTLE BROTHER OR SISTER!

Your Child’s Safety
Big Brothers Big Sisters conducts a thorough background check on every volunteer in our mentoring program, including criminal, social security, motor vehicle, national sex offender, sheriff’s department and reference checks. When your child is matched, you’ll receive regular updates from your Match Support Specialist about the progress of the relationship.

Enrollment Process
Enrolling your child is easy! After you’ve completed and signed an application, one of our Enrollment and Matching Specialists will contact you to schedule an interview with you and your child.

Interview Process
We are dedicated to learning as much about your child’s interests, likes and dislikes, preferences and basic background information. We ask the same questions to prospective volunteers to ensure a compatible match. The amount of time it takes to find a Big Brother or Big Sister for your child can vary. We don’t just want to pair people together - we want to create a lasting friendship.

Matching Process
Once a potential match is identified, we will contact you for your approval and schedule a match introduction to meet the Big Brother/Big Sister for the first time! Your child and his/her “Big” will plan outings at least twice a month for 2-5 hours. Getting together doesn’t require extravagant planning; free and low-cost activities are encouraged.

A Proven Impact
In an independent study, researchers found that children matched with a Big Brother or Big Sister feel more confident, less likely to use drugs and alcohol, perform better in school and get along better with their family and peers.

To learn more information, visit www.SDBigs.org. To enroll your child, please call (858) 536-4900 or email BrendaS@SDBigs.org.