

VOLUNTEER APPLICATION



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Thank you for your interest in becoming a Big Brother or Big Sister. Please submit completed application via email to _____, fax to **360.943.0412**, or mail/hand deliver to **2424 Heritage Ct SW, Ste. 302, Olympia, WA 98502**.

Along with this application, please submit:

- A copy of a your driver's license (or government-issued photo ID if you don't have a driver's license and do not plan on driving a youth)
- Proof of auto-insurance if you plan to transport a youth within the community-based program

All applications will be given equal consideration regardless of race, age, gender identity, disability, marital status, sexual orientation, religion, or national origin.

GENERAL INFORMATION

First Name:		Middle Name:		Last Name:		Preferred Name :	
Home Phone #:		Work Phone #:		Cell Phone #:		Is it okay to text you? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
Home Address:				City:		State:	Zip:
Personal E-mail:				Work E-mail:			
How do you prefer to be contacted? <i>(Phone, e-mail, time of day, etc.)</i>						Marital Status:	
Social Security Number:				Gender:		Previous name(s):	
Date of Birth:							
Race/Ethnicity <i>(check all that apply)</i> :							
American Indian or Alaska Native				Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander			
Asian				Other _____			
Black or African American				White			
Hispanic or Latino							
Nationality/Country of Origin:							
Occupation:				How Long Employed?		Work Hours?	
Highest Level of Education:				Are you a student at this time? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If yes, please name school:			
Area of Study:							

MILITARY EXPERIENCE

Do you have current or past military experience? Yes No		Dates of Service:	
Branch: <input type="checkbox"/> Air Force <input type="checkbox"/> Army <input type="checkbox"/> Marine Corps <input type="checkbox"/> Navy <input type="checkbox"/> Coast Guard			
Component: <input type="checkbox"/> Active <input type="checkbox"/> National Guard <input type="checkbox"/> Reserve		Are you retired? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Are you separated/discharged (other than retired)? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
If retired, separated, or discharged, please check the character of separation/discharge: <input type="checkbox"/> Honorable <input type="checkbox"/> General (under honorable conditions) <input type="checkbox"/> Under Other than Honorable Conditions <input type="checkbox"/> Bad Conduct <input type="checkbox"/> Dishonorable			

DRIVER'S LICENSE AND INSURANCE

Possession of a driver's license is required if you will be transporting a program youth in any vehicle you are operating.

Do you have a current and valid driver's license? Yes No	If yes, state of issue and #: Expiration date:	Do you have a vehicle? Yes No
		Do you have valid insurance that meets or exceeds state required minimum? Yes No

REFERENCE INFORMATION

Please list information for at least three references below including:

1. Your spouse or domestic partner (i.e., if you live with a significant other/ girlfriend/boyfriend) OR a family member, if you do not have a spouse, partner, or significant other);
2. Current or former employer /supervisor you have known for at least one year, or someone from your school if you are a student; AND
3. A friend or neighbor you have known for at least two years.

Spouse/Partner (family member name if no spouse/partner):		Relationship to Applicant:	
Address:		City:	State: Zip:
Day Phone #:	Cell #:	Email:	
Employer/Supervisor (current or past) or school personnel (if you are a student):			
Address:		City:	State: Zip:
Day Phone #:	Cell #:	Email:	
Friend, Neighbor, or other personal reference:			
Address:		City:	State: Zip:
Day Phone #:	Cell #:	Email:	

YOUTH-SERVING ORGANIZATIONS

Have you previously applied to be or served as a Big Brother or Big Sister here or anywhere else? **Yes** **No**
 If yes, when and where?

Have you ever been involved with Big Brothers Big Sisters in a capacity other than a Big? **Yes** **No**
 If yes, when and where?

Have you ever been involved with or volunteered for another youth organization? **Yes** **No**
 If yes, when and where?

Have you ever been denied acceptance or released from service as a volunteer or employee for another Big Brothers Big Sisters program or youth-serving organization? **Yes** **No**
 If yes, when and where?

In addition to the references previously, Big Brothers Big Sisters requires references from all youth serving organizations at which you have worked or volunteered in the past 5 years. Please list additional on separate page, if needed.

Organization name:		Direct supervisor:		
Address:		City:	State:	Zip:
Day Phone #:	Cell #:	Email:		
Dates of involvement/employment:				
Reason for leaving?				
Organization name:		Direct supervisor:		
Address:		City:	State:	Zip:
Day Phone #:	Cell #:	Email:		
Dates of involvement/employment:				
Reason for leaving?				
Organization name:		Direct supervisor:		
Address:		City:	State:	Zip:
Day Phone #:	Cell #:	Email:		
Dates of involvement/employment:				
Reason for leaving:				

I consent to and understand that:

- 1) The references and youth serving-organization I listed may be contacted by mail, telephone, email, or in-person;
- 2) The information I provided may be used to conduct a background check, to include a search of public domain records, driving records check, juvenile and adult criminal history check (*see attached authorization*), military records, and other records where required by local, state, or federal law for volunteers working with youth;
- 3) I am in no way obligated to perform any volunteer services;
- 4) The BBBS agency is not obligated to match me with a youth and may deny my application or close my match at any time, and to protect all participants' confidentiality, BBBS is not required to disclose reasons for doing so;
- 5) Other BBBS agencies and youth organizations where I have worked or volunteered may be contacted as references;
- 6) As part of the enrollment processes, I will be required to provide additional personal information, including completion of an in-person interview;
- 7) I understand that the information I provide in the enrollment process will be kept confidential, unless disclosure is required by law and with exceptions noted below.
- 8) I understand that incidents of child abuse or neglect, past or present, must be reported to proper authorities;
- 9) I understand that certain relevant information about me will be discussed with the parent/guardian of a child who is a prospective match (*this might include demographic information, information relevant to parent/child preferences, and any information relevant to a child's safety or well-being*);
- 10) It is my responsibility to update the agency if any of the information I provide on this application, in my interview, or any other information provided during the enrollment process changes (*i.e. address, phone number, auto-insurance, new criminal charges, etc.*).
- 11) I agree to timely communication and follow-up with all agency staff.

Please read the following carefully before signing this application:

I understand that this is an application for a volunteer opportunity and is not a promise or commitment by Big Brothers Big Sisters.

I certify that all information I have provided or will provide to Big Brothers Big Sisters, including this application, is true, correct and complete to the best of my knowledge. I certify that I have and will answer all questions to the best of my ability and that I have not and will not withhold any information that would affect my application for a volunteer position. I understand that information contained on my application will be verified by Big Brothers Big Sisters. I understand that misrepresentations or omissions may be cause for my immediate rejection as an applicant or my termination as a volunteer.

At any time while involved with the Big Brothers Big Sisters program, I agree to immediately inform my Big Brothers Big Sisters contact person of any and all infractions, violations, charges and convictions related to any civil, domestic, or criminal occurrences. I understand that BBBS staff needs to be fully informed to provide the best guidance or support possible.

Signature _____ Date _____

Name: _____

Are you interested in learning about additional ways to contribute to the Big Brothers Big Sisters mission?

If yes, please check all interests that apply.

Yes No

- Becoming a donor
- Helping to recruit volunteers
- Hosting an activity (ie: fishing, crafts, dance, sports)

Your areas of interest: _____

- Inviting BBBS to speak at a company, church, organization, or other group of which I am a member

VOLUNTEER PRE-INTERVIEW QUESTIONNAIRE

Prior to your in-person interview, please answer the questions below. Parents of youth in our programs will often ask questions about someone with whom their child will be matched. The information you provide will also help us make a better match for you and assure we can support you during your involvement with our program. **Please note that you will have an opportunity to discuss these questions and your responses more thoroughly during your in-person interview.**

Name: _____

1. Do you have any concerns about your ability to fulfill the 12-month commitment required of mentors?
Yes No Please describe:

2. Do you anticipate any significant life changes over the next year or had any this past year?
Yes No Please describe:

3. Have you ever been accused, arrested, charged, or convicted of a crime?
Yes No Please describe:

4. Have you had any driving citations and/or moving violations in the past 5 years?
Yes No Please describe:

5. Do you have guns, ammunition, or other weapons in your house?
Yes No Please describe:

6. Are you experiencing any physical or mental health issues?
Yes No Please describe:

7. Do you speak any foreign languages?
Yes No Please describe:

8. Is there anything else you'd like to tell us about yourself or any questions that you have?

9. Are there other people living in your household? **Yes No**
Provide name, age, relationship to you.

Name:	Age:	Relationship:
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Name:	Age:	Relationship:

10. Please list any counties and states that you have lived in aside from your current address in the past 5 years.

I have answered these questions honestly and completely to the best of my knowledge.

Signature

Date