



**Big Brothers Big Sisters  
of South Huron**

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Dear Municipality of South Huron

Thank You for your receipt of the 2017 South Huron Community Grant, to offset the cost of the arena rental for 3 of our major fundraisers; Spring Mom2Mom Sale, Fall Mom2Mom Sale and Christmas Shopping Event. This in kind donation went along way to help offset our expenses, allowing our Agency to raise the most amount possible.

Big Brothers Big Sisters of South Huron does not receive any government or ministry funding. All services are funded through special events, grants, donations and fundraising efforts, such as these. Funds received are directed to support the children, families and volunteers who benefit from our mentoring programs and will provide quality services to an increasing number of children in need. We could not continue our work without your support. Thank You again! You are truly helping to make a difference.

**You may be interested to know...**

- For 37 years Big Brothers Big Sisters of South Huron has matched children in need of a mentor with positive adult role models. In 2016, 40 volunteers were involved with our Agency, providing service to 56 children in our various mentoring programs. Our programs include: Traditional Mentoring (Big Sister/Little Sister, Big Brother/Little Brother, Cross Gender, Big Families and Couples for Kids), In School Mentoring and Big Bunch
- Big Brothers Big Sisters of South Huron provides service to Ailsa Craig, Bayfield, Brucefield, Centralia, Dashwood, Exeter, Grand Bend, Hensall, Huron Park, Lucan, Parkhill, Zurich and surrounding areas
- Studies show that our mentoring services help kids stay in school, and this can eventually mean a reduction in poverty and unemployment. Mentoring helps kids avoid risky behavior such as bullying, which can lead to safer schools and neighbourhoods. Mentoring helps kids learn the importance of helping others, growing up to be more civic-minded adults

There is no more important investment we can make than in helping our nation's children realize and share their full potential. What if every child finished high school, went to college or university, got a job and gave back to our community? Wouldn't that be something? To get involved in our programs, or for more information, please contact our office at 519-237-3554, or visit our web-site at [www.shbbbs.on.ca](http://www.shbbbs.on.ca).

**Thanks for starting something**

Best regards,

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