



Big Brothers Big Sisters
of South Huron

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September is Big Brothers Big Sisters month! This is the time of year we raise awareness for mentoring and the impact positive role models bring to the healthy development of children and communities throughout Canada. 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. Currently we have 36 children waiting to be matched with a mentor, and it only continues to grow. Big Brothers Big Sisters of South Huron provides service to Ailsa Craig, Bayfield, Brucefield, Centralia, Dashwood, Exeter, Grand Bend, Hensall, Huron Park, Forest, Lucan, Parkhill, Zurich and surrounding areas

On Friday, September 29th, our Agency is hosting a fundraising dinner and auction at the Barn Restaurant and Pub (the Exeter Golf Course). Doors will open at 5pm, followed by a buffet dinner being served at 6pm, and entertainment by the Cultural Collective House Band from 7pm to 9pm. Through-out the evening, we will be hosting a silent auction and a raffle draw. The goal of this event is to increase community awareness about the programs we offer, to secure more volunteers to help to decrease our waiting list and to raise some much needed funds for our Agency programs. Our Agency receives no government funding, and relies solely on grants, donations and fundraisers such as this to enable us to deliver our services to children in our community.

As you are probably aware, the local Agency receives no Provincial grants, and so it operates solely on donations and community funding-raising activities. We are not asking for any money, just your help in promoting the event and hopefully finding the time to attend. If you have any ideas, thoughts or questions, or would like to purchase tickets for the evening, please contact the office at 519-237-3554 or cw@shbbbs.on.ca

Sincerely,

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