

Let's start something™

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Northwestern Ohio
Think of the possibilities. What will you start?

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Greetings!!

We are **ALL** standing on the shoulders of those who believed in **US** ~ long before, we believed in **Ourselves...** If you believe in the potential of today's youth, then you **can't ignore** the call to be a **Mentor**.

Does mentoring matter?
Just ask the young person whose life has been changed by a caring adult. I'm **living proof** that mentoring works!

Children and young adults with mentors ~ **someone** whose got their back ~ are more confident and have fewer issues. So, if you believe ~ **Let's Start Something Big!!!**

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FRIENDS 4 LIFE



Sometimes, when you *least expect it* ~ **YOU** just "click" with **someone!** And, before you know it ~ **you've become life-long "friends & family"**. Just ask **Big Sister | Marci (Halker) Ripley** and her "not-so-little anymore," **Little Sister | Devin**. **Here's their story:**

HELLO! I was matched with my little sister, **Devin** about 12 years ago. **She** was almost seven and **I** was 19 (a sophomore at the *Univ. of Toledo*). **We spent a lot of time together** when I was living in **Toledo**. I moved away in 2007, but **we've kept in contact** ever since & try to see each other a few times a year. I'm sharing a picture from the weekend of July 11th, 2015 – **Devin's** high school graduation party! I'm a teacher in Elida (OH) and Devin is headed to **UT** this Fall for social work. **Thank You, BBBS of NW Ohio for matching us up!** She is **truly family** to me & a **lifelong sister of mine**. *Just thought I'd share!*

Thanks,
Marci (Halker) Ripley

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Upcoming Events

M - 3 Program Starts

DeVeaux | Old Orchard
Pickett | Robinson
October 2015

'NEW' at Bowsher H.S. !
Youth Leadership Development
Begins | Oct. 12th, 2015



Celebrity Wait Night | 2015

Nov. 19th, 2015 | Forrester's on the River

Bowl 4 Kids' Sake

Campaign Begins ~ Dec. 1st, 2015
Bowling Green & Toledo



Join Us 4 Christmas Cheer !

BBBS of NW Ohio's | Annual Christmas Party
Sat., Dec. 5th, 2015

St. Mark's Lutheran Church | Family Life Ctr.
315 S. College Dr. | Bowling Green, OH
4pm - 6pm

(Open to ALL Bigs, Littles, Unmatched Littles & their Families)

PS ~ NO Drop-Offs of "Littles" Alone, Please!



28th Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony

Sun., Dec. 6th, 2015

Oscar Bunch Powertrain Family Park

5pm - 7:30 pm (Charity Raffle at 7pm)

(Take pic w/Santa | Goodies | Sing w/DJ)

Warm Up by the Bonfire!

BBBS NWO Annual Holiday Party

Tues., Dec. 8th, 2015

5:30pm - 7:30pm

Presented by:

GJM Gilmore Jason Mahler, Ltd.

Cedar Creek | South Toledo Campus

2150 S. Byrne Road | Toledo, OH

(RSVP by Mon., Nov. 23rd, 2015 by 4pm)



IMPORTANT! !

BBBS NW Ohio Annual Mtg.

Election of Board Members

&

Officers

Date/ Location TBA

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