

## Big Brothers Big Sisters Board Report October 2021

### Participants:

- # of School Based Matches - 0 - but will start program at 4 schools soon (COVID pause)
- # of Community Based Matches - 46. Waiting List - 58 (recently updated)
- # of Work Place Mentoring Matches - 0 (COVID pause)

### Program Highlights:

- We have hired a 2<sup>nd</sup> school-based mentor manager. William Gore joined our staff 2 weeks ago and will be working with CBA, Bishop Ludden and Bishop Grimes in the coming weeks.
- We have been in regular contact with all the schools that we partner with trying to determine if they will allow us to run program in their schools this Fall. At this point, we remain on pause except for those schools mentioned above.
- Shaun Sample, a big in our program, and Jennifer Buggs, have assumed the role as vice president(s) for our Advisory Council. Each of them bring a high level of energy to our Council and have an extensive array of contacts and resources at their disposal that will ultimately benefit the program.
- On Sunday, October 1<sup>st</sup>, the BBBS staff handed out candy and treats to over 200 families at the Trunk-or-Treat event at OCC.

### Upcoming Events:

- Advisory Council Mtg. Monday Nov. 8<sup>th</sup> at 5:30. Zoom
- Movie Night Saturday Nov. 20<sup>th</sup> 4:30 - 7:30 Sumner School Gym

### Success Story:

On Sunday, Oct. 31<sup>st</sup>, the BBBS staff handed out candy and treats to over 200 families at the Trick-or-Trunk event at OCC. The comments and feedback that we were getting was interesting. First off, many of the visitors stated that we had the best candy 2 years in a row and they remembered us by name. Candy selection and quantity aside, that is not something to underestimate. Second, so many people that came by us in the line of cars told us about their connection to PEACE Inc. Every single memory or story was very positive with many pointing out how one PEACE Inc. program or another made a difference in their lives or assisted them somehow at a difficult time.