



**Big Brothers  Big Sisters of
Onondaga County**

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The following is a report for the Big Brothers Big Sisters program activities for the month of December, 2015:

As of 12/31/15 we had a total of 71 open matches through the Community-Based/Traditional Mentoring program. This past month, we were able to make two new matches and one was closed. The current waiting/applicant list now has 60 children. The breakdown is as follows:

**Girl's Applicant list: 7 - Waiting list: 9
Boy's Applicant list: 27 - Waiting list: 17**

Traditional BBBS holiday event was held once again at Bishop Ludden H.S. Attendance was rather low, with 62 no shows and 9 cancellations, yet we had nearly 120 people in attendance this year. All the children attending the event received a holiday gift. In addition, the Photo Booth person was available again and seemed to be a crowd favorite.

“Bigs” and “littles” attended an event at the Sky-Zone to take advantage of an opportunity obtained from one of our board members, Dave Kent.

Several matches from our Traditional/Community-Based program attended the production of Peter Pan at Syracuse Stage. Tickets were purchased through a grant from National Grid.

BBBS program received a check for \$45,000 from the 5K Country Run event held at Onondaga Community College last August. This event is scheduled to comeback in the area next year as well.

The School-Based Mentoring partnership between Paul V. Moore High School and Central Square Intermediate as well as Cole Elementary received a visit from the Open Hand Theater production. This event was sponsored through funding from the Oswego County Youth Bureau.

BBBS program Director conducted a program overview presentation at the Weatherization Department as part of PEACE's internal United Way campaign

BBBS program received a check for \$289 from representatives from the Bank of New York Mellon as part of their internal fund raising event, Mc & Cheese tasting event, to benefit the BBBS program.

"Little" brothers and sisters from Seymour Magnet School and their "Bigs" from Nottingham H.S. as well as the Fowler H.S. & Delaware Academy partnership had field trips to Lights on the Lake. Transportation to and from the event was provided by Durham Transportation Services.

"Little" brothers and sister from Dr. King School attended the Lights on the Lake Show as well. They attended the event without their "Bigs" from Syracuse University as they were off from school.

BBBS program received a check for \$359 from donations from the National Grid who selected a charity of their choice.


SEFCU, a BFKS sponsor, was able to adopt a family for the holidays. A single mom and her 3 children were presented with gifts & food donated by the SEFCU employees.

All of the School-Based Mentoring partnerships held a holiday party for their "littles". We were able to provide the "littles" with a holiday gift as we had received donations from Toys for Tots and from BJ's Corporation.

UPCOMING SPONSORED BBBS EVENTS

**Bowl For Kids' Sake @ Flamingo Bowl Rt. 57 in Liverpool
Sunday, April 10th from 12:00 – 4:00**



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The logo for Big Brothers and Big Sisters is a stylized black silhouette of a person with arms raised, standing on a large, bold letter "B".

Two new matches were made in December, 2015

Total number of volunteers ready to be matched: 7

Other activities by the Mentor Managers included:

Volunteer interviews:	4
Parent/child interviews:	2