

# P.E.A.C.E., Inc.



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

We have at this time a total of **70 open matches** through the Community-Based Mentoring program. This past month, we made 3 new matches and 1 was closed. The current waiting/applicant list has **59 children**. The breakdown is as follows:

Girl's Applicant list: 10 - Waiting list: 10  
Boy's Applicant list: 21 - Waiting list: 18

BBBS Director met with Mr. Thomas Thorn from the Thorn Family Foundation who was referred to us by Ms. Ann Scanlon, from the Jonathan Ben Snow Foundation. Mr. Thorn was provided with all the information pertinent to the BBBS program and seemed very interested in providing some financial support to the program.

BBBS Director attended a PEACE Inc, Safety Committee meeting that is looking at safety concerns raised by staff members who make house visits, i.e. the Home Visitors from Head Start, the Mentor Managers from BBBS, the Weatherization workers, etc. as many issues have come up during the visits. PEACE Inc. is looking for ways to provide safer work environments for its employees.

BBBS Director met with representatives from the Home Depot Center in DeWitt to discuss our upcoming Bowl For Kids' Sake. They have agreed to be a Corporate Sponsor at the \$1000 level as well as committing to have at least 3 teams participating.

BBBS Director spoke with a representative from Tops Market. Ms. Cathy Allen. They have agreed to donate \$1000 in Gift Card to be utilized at the Bowl For Kids' Sake event.

Brad Bevacqua, from Time Warner's Cable came to the BBBS office to conduct an interview and do a segment on BBBS and the need for mentors. He has offered to cover the Bowl For Kids' Sake event as well and will be there to conduct interviews.

BBBS Director met with Ms. Tina LaRocca, CSBG representative to review our Work Plan submitted and to hear a little bit more about our program. She wasn't fully aware of how the program operates and wanted to have a better understanding of one of the programs funded by CSBG.

Kevin Phelps, member of the Advisory Council and his former "Little" brother Zach were featured on the 570 WSYR Early show with George Kilpatrick. Great job by both as they expanded on the mentoring issues surrounding our youth and how we can help that cause by becoming mentors.

BBBS Director met with Ted & Amy from 93Q to tape a segment on Bowl For Kids' Sake as well as for mentor recruitment purposes that will be played throughout the months of February and March. Both Ted and Amy will be at the BFKS event to MC the event.

BBBS Director attended the monthly CLP meeting for all Program Directors at PEACE Inc.

BBBS staff conducted a Volunteer Orientation here at the BBBS office for volunteers getting ready to be matched.

BBBS Director and "Little" brother Karlos, were guests on a segment on WCNY News, Insight, to commemorate Mentoring Month. In addition, another one of our matches was video-taped during one of their mentoring outings and will be featured on the show as well.

## **UPCOMING BBBS EVENTS**

**Bowl For Kids' Sake - Sunday, March 29, 2015**

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### No new matches were made in January, 2015:

There are two volunteers ready to be matched.

### Other activities by the Mentor Managers included:

Volunteer interviews: 1

Parent/child interviews: 7

### BBBS sponsored events attended by staff:

Safety Training