

Start Something



OPERATION BIGS

Mentoring Military Children



Big Brothers Big Sisters



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OPERATION BIGS joins children of parents in the military with mentors who are in the military, ROTC, veterans or citizens who support our cause.



A Big Brother or Sister are matched one-to-one with a child as a friend.



OPERATION BIGS THE NEED

Life in the military is unique. Children with a parent in the military may face challenges that could include separation, in addition to the stresses of military life.

**OREGON MILITARY FAMILIES WITH
CHILDREN: 11,533**

**MILITARY FAMILIES WITH
CHILDREN IN MULTNOMAH,
CLACKAMAS AND WASHINGTON
COUNTIES: 3,553**



OPERATION BIGS PARTNERS

- Deb Hodges, Oregon National Guard
- Alexis Deleon, U.S. Army
- Amy Schmid, Air National Guard
- Michael Bauer, Oregon National Guard
- Joan Engeldiner, Oregon State University “Operation Military Kids
- Benjamin Schaub, USAF



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Big Brothers and Sisters

Great Big Brothers and Sisters are those adults who are simply willing to spend at least three visits a month with a child, share with them what they already do and support them as a good friend.

- Must pass a national/local background check
- DMV check
- Interviewed by an enrollment specialist
- Undergo a special two-hour training



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Big Brothers and Sisters get special support

Big Brothers and Sisters get one-to-one support from staff

- A Match Specialist is assigned to you and your Little
 - They provide guidance and support
- Activities/Events
 - You are made aware of a variety of activities or events available at no cost or little cost for you and your Little to enjoy
- 24 hour on-call service
 - A member of our team is available 24 hours a day



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GOALS

Serve 70 military families in 2012



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