

Quality Mentor Programs

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MAKE A WORLD OF DIFFERENCE FOR KIDS!!



Arizona Quest for Kids
1430 E. Missouri Ave., Suite B-205
Phoenix, AZ 85014
www.azquestforkids.org

Arizona Quest For Kids (AQFK) is a mentoring and enrichment program for high potential students from low income families to provide support and guidance for college enrollment and graduation. Students begin with AQFK in the fifth grade and continue through college graduation. AQFK addresses the hopes and dreams of youth who may otherwise not be able to attend college by providing them with mentoring services, enrichment opportunities, family support services, and financial support for college. There are currently just under 400 students in the program with an estimated 120 new students waiting to be inducted and matched with mentors. This is where you come in! Positively influence the life of a child and become a mentor for Arizona Quest For Kids. We look for caring adults over the age of 18 who can commit a minimum of one year to mentoring a student. Your commitment combined with AQFK programs ensures that our youth are academically, personally and emotionally prepared to not only graduate from high school but to excel in post-secondary education and beyond. Please contact Myrna Cardenas, Mentor Coordinator, for more information at 602-636-1860 or mcardenas@azquestforkids.org.



Big Brothers Big Sisters
of Central Arizona

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1010 East McDowell Road, Suite 400 Phoenix, AZ 85006
602-264-BIGS • 888-245-BIGS
www.bbbsaz.org

Big Brothers Big Sisters matches children ("Littles") with volunteer mentors ("Bigs") in professionally supported relationships ("Matches"). Bigs must be: At least 18-years old (exceptions include our High School Site-Based mentoring program)

- Reside in Arizona for at least three months
- Have a valid Arizona driver's license and valid auto insurance (for our Community-Based program)

All of our programs provide ongoing, professional staff support to volunteers, parents and children. Bigs meet with their Littles two to four times per month, for at least 6 months in the following programs: **Community-Based**- This program offers Bigs the opportunity to meet with their Little for a few hours each month at times that are convenient for both of them. Matches plan activities they both enjoy like playing sports, watching movies or just hanging out. **Site-Based/"Lunch Buddies"**– Bigs meet with their Littles at an elementary school or community site for about an hour each week to play games, tutor or just talk.



Greater Phoenix Youth at Risk
1001 East Pierce Street
Phoenix, AZ 85006
602-258-1012
www.phoenixyouthatrisk.org

For 20 years, **GREATER PHOENIX YOUTH AT RISK** has matched mentors with at-risk and homeless children and youth. All it takes is a commitment of one hour a week for one year. Mentors pick up the kids (ages 5 -17) at their homes or at shelters and can spend time together in the community or at the agency. You can be matched up solo, as a couple or as a family. Contact Nancy Blabe at 602-258-1012 or www.phoenixyouthatrisk.org



Future For Kids
6991 E Camelback Road, Suite D301
Scottsdale, AZ 85251

www.futureforkids.org

The mission of Future for KIDS is to provide at-risk children education through mentorship and sports programs. Future for KIDS has earned its reputation through its mentorship and youth sports camps reaching over 129,000 children through our athletic and educational programs. The primary focus of Future for KIDS involves serving at-risk youth in the Phoenix Metropolitan area by providing continued contact with caring adults who emphasize the importance of education and maintaining a healthy life style.

Please contact us for volunteer opportunities at: 480-947-8131 or rachel@futureforkids.org



Aid to Adoption of Special Kids

2320 N. 20th St.
Phoenix, AZ 85006
602-930-4900

www.aask-az.org

The Special Friends program serves to match youth in foster care with committed adults who can serve as role models, advocates, mentors, and friends. There are two kinds of Special Friends. Mentors listen, support and encourage a child while enriching his or her life through shared interests such as sports, the arts, and other community activities. Mentors work with youth ages 5 to 17. Community Advisors help young adults learn life skills as they transition from foster care to an independent life of their own. Community Advisors work with young adults, age 18-21, who are aging out of the foster care system. For more information about how you can impact the life of one of Arizona's Foster Youth, visit www.specialfriendsaz.org or contact us at 602-930-4900.



MentorKids USA
15333 N Pima Rd., Ste. 305
Scottsdale, AZ 85260
480-767-6707

www.mentorkidsusa.org

MentorKids USA is a Christian ministry that recruits, trains and supports mentors who empower youth facing tough life challenges to reach their God given potential and become transformative members of their families and communities in the name of Jesus Christ. Adult volunteers commit to working with children in the following programs: Community-based Mentoring: Mentors meet with their mentees at least twice a month for 1 year in a one-to-one mentoring relationship. School-based Mentoring: Mentors meet with their mentee at school during the school day once a week to provide academic support. Many of the youth in this program are refugees and need help in order to graduate on time. Refugee Mentoring: Mentors meet one-on-one with a refugee youth weekly in order to assist with English language skills and cultural adaptation. After School Tutoring: Volunteers meet with students in an after-school program setting to provide academic and spiritual support. To get involved please contact Aaron Parrott at 480-767-6707 or aparrott@mentorkidsusa.org.