

Who We Are

Formed in 2009, the Mentoring Task Force facilitates the connection of system-involved and at-risk youth ages 6 through transitional-age youth (16-24) with mentors through community-based mentoring agencies.

Services are provided in collaboration with San Bernardino County Department of Behavioral Health and Children's Network and funded by the Mental Health Services Act (Proposition 63).

Task Force members include County child/youth serving agencies, such as, Children and Family Services, Department of Behavioral Health, Probation, and various other community-based mentoring programs throughout San Bernardino County.



What We Do

- Actively recruit and connect mentors to community-based mentoring programs throughout San Bernardino County
- Connect system-involved and at-risk youth with community-based mentoring programs
- Maintain the Children's Network's Mentoring Services for Children and Youth directory
- Provide on-going education and training that focuses on mentoring
- Develop outreach and educational campaigns promoting mentoring
- Provide resources for technical assistance and coaching to develop and expand mentoring programs
- Develop quality assurance and participation surveys to improve the quality of mentoring in San Bernardino County
- Build the capacity of mentors to be able to increase access and linkage to mental health services for their mentees
- Collect agency data to establish a baseline of mentor matches, waitlists, etc.
- Provide capacity building services, including grant writing and funding resources

Inspire, Challenge, Motivate...

In the United States, one in three of our children and youth will grow up without a mentor. This is called "The Mentoring Gap" in America.

The San Bernardino County Mentoring Task Force envisions a community where all children and youth are able to connect with one caring adult outside of their home. This mentor can inspire, challenge and motivate our youth to become successful and productive members of their community.

With a mentor, a youth is...

- 52% less likely to skip a day of school
- 55% more likely to enroll in college
- 47% less likely to exhibit risky behaviors and engage in criminal activity
- 46% less likely to start using illicit drugs
- 78% more likely than their peers to volunteer regularly and 90% more likely to become a mentor themselves

Our Mission and Vision

The Mentoring Task Force facilitates the connection of system-involved youth served by the Department of Behavioral Health, Children and Family Services and Probation and youth at-risk of becoming system-involved, with mentors through community-based mentoring agencies.

Our vision is to work together to see that high-risk and system-involved children in San Bernardino County are connected with a mentor.

Member Agencies

Aspiranet, Inc.

Department of Behavioral Health

Big Brothers Big Sisters, IE

CASA of San Bernardino

Children and Family Services

SBC Superintendent of Schools

Valley Star Comm. Services

Young Visionaries

Youth Women's Empowerment

Youth Mentoring Action Network

and more...



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Become a Mentor*

