



COVID-19 IS AFFECTING ALL OF US, BUT NOT EQUALLY

Vulnerable children and families are facing increased anxiety, stress, fear, and worry.

The young people we serve are likely to bear the heaviest burdens of trauma and economic fallout.



We are a trusted presence in our community where we are active on the frontlines delivering food and helping connect the families we serve to other available resources.



We are innovating and adapting our service delivery to ensure kids stay virtually connected to their mentors.

MORE THAN EVER, WE ARE A VITAL RESOURCE FOR OUR COMMUNITY

Even in the best of times, our mentees ("Littles") are facing adversity at a higher rate than the average young person in America.

44% vs 30%

Our Littles National Average

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Total annual household income less than \$20,000

66% vs 34%

Our Littles National Average

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Live in a single parent household.

26% vs 7%

Our Littles National Average

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Worries a lot

22% vs 12%

Our Littles National Average

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Are lonely, sad and cry a lot

Our Littles face much greater exposure to **adverse childhood experiences (ACE)** than the general population.

Social isolation can both increase the likelihood of ACEs such as exposure to domestic violence, abuse and neglect **AND** compound the effects of trauma and adverse childhood experiences.

ACEs can have lasting negative effects on **mental health** and **physical well-being** throughout life.

Big Brothers Big Sisters mentoring relationships **protect** against harmful effects of ACEs, and **help** young people with childhood trauma.

Once we are through this immediate crisis, we know that our children and families will continue to feel lasting, profound effects. **Our work could not be more urgent.**

CORONAVIRUS IMPACT ON OUR MISSION

We are taking immediate action to maintain and support the vital, life-changing mentoring relationships we facilitate and professionally support in order to fight social isolation of our young people and families.

Our program is an essential service we must continue to provide to youth through this pandemic, but we need investment in our mission and capacity to ensure our agency remains open.



We are forecasting a **\$50,000** loss to our agency due to fundraising event cancellations and a drop in individual and corporate giving. These funds directly affect the operating budget of the agency.

PROVEN OUTCOMES AND POSITIVE SOCIAL IMPACT



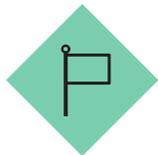
Serving Tuscarawas and Carroll Counties



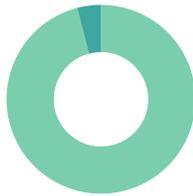
Supporting over 400 local children annually



100% free to the families we serve



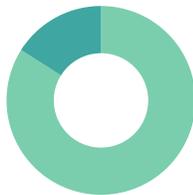
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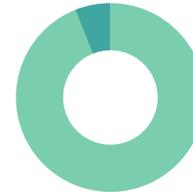
96% of Littles are confident they can say no to drugs, violence and skipping school.



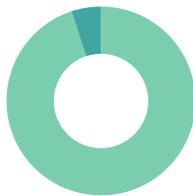
92% of Littles report confidence in completing their schoolwork.



84% of Littles have better grades, academic goals and confidence.



94% of Littles feel like they have a special adult in their life that they can turn to.



95% of Littles feel like they belong.



93% of Littles plan to graduate high school and college.

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