

HOW DO I GET STARTED?

- 1 [Bigsupnorth.com/volunteer](https://bigsupnorth.com/volunteer)
Click **Become a Big Mentor** (complete inquiry form)
- 2 A Mentoring Specialist will reach out to provide application and conduct interview.
- 3 Training and home visit by Mentoring Specialist.
- 4 Match recommendation is made.
- 5 Meet Your Little and begin a journey that will change two lives!

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q: Do Bigs Receive Training?

A: Yes - We will walk you through the entire process and continue to be by your side during the life of your match.

Q: How Often do Bigs & Littles Get Together?

A: Each match relationship is unique and time spent together is mutually agreed upon (on average 4 to 6 hours a month)

Q: What is the Most Important Quality I Need to be a Great Big?

A: Patience, understanding and the ability to just listen.

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6,000+ CHILDREN

IN NORTHWESTERN MICHIGAN ARE IN NEED OF A MENTOR

Every single day caring adult mentors just like you are igniting potential like never before.

In just 6 hours a month, you could have a lifelong impact on a child by simply spending time together. You don't have to change your life to impact theirs, just bring them along with you. Provide experiences and opportunities and have some fun together. That's all it takes.

Many volunteers often say "I get to be a kid again."

With your help we can bring 6,000 down to zero.

It's time.



Charlie and Kevin were matched after Kevin's mom was diagnosed with stage 4 lung cancer. Kevin was struggling and acting out in many ways, oftentimes internalizing his pain.

Charlie, an honors student and quarterback for the varsity football team, became a consistent champion for Kevin, never missing a chance to meet with him. Even with a challenging schedule, Charlie always makes time each week for Kevin.

When Charlie and Kevin are able to go outdoors for recess, Charlie faces the challenge of organizing Kevin and his group of classmates in a game of football (a point of contention among the kids ... who is going to be quarterback and who is on which team).

Last Spring, school staff observed a seamless game of football being played by Charlie, Kevin and a group of 4th graders. Thanks to Charlie, everyone played without argument, had a good time, and made Kevin feel like the all-star for being Charlie's Little Brother.

When we asked Kevin what he loves most about his Big Brother, he said, "I was going through a tough time and Charlie really helped me...and that was really cool".



Big Brother Charlie & Little Brother Kevin