

# BIG BROTHERS BIG NEWS



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### September is Big Brothers Big Sisters Month

Celebrate the impact of mentorship with us this September!



### B2Gold Big Brothers Golf Classic

Returning Monday, September 28th, 2020, and we're looking for volunteers!



### Daily Hive Vancouver

Check out our most recent spotlight courtesy of Daily Hive Vancouver!



### Mentoring Tip

Building Consistency While Physical Distancing

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## Celebrating Big Brothers Big Sisters Month in September



### **Celebrate With Us**

It's nearly September! That means that we're celebrating Big Brothers Big Sisters month once again. On September 18th for Big Brothers Big Sisters Day, [Rogers Arena](#), [Science World](#), [BC Place](#), and [Canada Place](#) are lighting up teal to help us celebrate.

Now more than ever, young people need consistent relationships in their lives. Social isolation has a particularly negative effect on our local children and youth. Calls to children's helplines are up by 350% from kids experiencing anxiety and mental health concerns. If you haven't already, encourage those around you to inquire to learn more about becoming a mentor. Feel free to forward this email to those who you think would be a great fit.

[Inquire Here](#)

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## **Read More From Our Feature In DailyHive Vancouver**



### **"Big Brothers needs volunteers to support kids affected by pandemic"**

The ongoing COVID-19 crisis is presenting challenges for everyone. However, the most vulnerable members of Metro Vancouver communities continue to be significantly impacted.

[Full Article Here](#)

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## **B2Gold Big Brothers Golf Classic returns Monday, September 28th, 2020, and we're looking for volunteers**



Our annual B2Gold Big Brothers Golf Classic is a charitable golf tournament, drawing an esteemed guest list of executive-level business people from across Canada. All funds raised go towards supporting Big Brothers of Greater Vancouver's mentoring programs. This year's event in accordance with Vancouver Coastal Health and Provincial Safety Standards will maintain social distance measures. Starting with staggered arrival times, attendees hit the links at Vancouver's finest private course Shaughnessy Golf & Country Club, including on-course food, drinks, and unique activities. Rest assured we're working closely with Shaughnessy Golf & Country Club to present you with a spectacular event, but just at a safe distance.



\*Food and drinks will be available for volunteers. As well, more event details will be sent to confirmed volunteers.

[Register Here](#)

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## Building Consistency While Physical Distancing



Consistency is important throughout any relationship; it helps keep your bond stable, strong and helps build a deeper connection.

Here are a few tips on how to stay consistent while social distancing:

- **[Communicate with your mentee or mentor.](#)** It's key to stay connected and communicate with your mentor or mentee. Staying in contact, and being open about your circumstances, and how you're navigating these challenging times can help keep your relationships steady.
- **[Make adjustments.](#)** It's important to consider your options for alternatives to how you interact with your mentee and those around you. This may be having phone calls or video calls instead of in-person visits.
- **[Plan in advance and keep an open mind.](#)** Schedule your activities in advance and try new virtual activities that you haven't tried before. Trying new activities can be exciting and help encourage growth and development for you and your mentee.

[Click Here For More Social Distancing Tips](#)

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# THANK YOU



Along with our volunteers, our generous donors and supporters help make it possible for over 1,200 kids to have positive role models in their lives!

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We are working hard to resume normal clothing donation operations and thank you for your patience during this time in holding onto your donations. We hope to start up the home pick up service soon. If you would like to be notified when we resume service, please sign up at <http://www.BigClothingDonation.com>

If you need to donate your clothing right away, we encourage you to drop off your donation at these following Value Village locations where partial proceeds benefit Big Brothers of Greater Vancouver:

- Surrey - 6925 King George Blvd
- South Coquitlam - 1301 United Boulevard
- Vancouver - 1820 East Hastings
- Vancouver - 6415 Victoria Drive
- Richmond - 8240 Granville Ave



At Big Brothers of Greater Vancouver (BBGV), we acknowledge that the land on which we work and mentor is the traditional territory of the Musqueam, Squamish and Tsleil-

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