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GAME ON!

We are urgently looking for individuals to volunteer for our [Mentoring with Math](#) programs running virtually and in-person in Surrey and Burnaby and our [Game On!](#) program in Richmond, Surrey, and Vancouver.

Do you know someone who would be interested? Let them know about these opportunities!

Both programs run for 8-10 weeks and are only a 90-minute commitment once a week. They require no previous experience as all training will be provided; volunteers need to be reliable, enthusiastic, and ready to influence a young person's week positively.

[Our Programs](#)

Mentoring Tip: Mentor with Empathy



Empathy is the ability to sense other people's emotions, coupled with imagining what someone else might be thinking, feeling, or experiencing. It's an emotional skill that is improved by spending time with and learning from people whose lived experiences or backgrounds are different from your own; this skill is beneficial in all areas of life and especially useful when it comes to mentoring.

Start with empathy if you're looking to create a strong connection and true bond with your mentee. This perspective can be put into action with your Little by listening actively, taking care to recognize their emotions, and accepting and validating their interpretations of situations.

For more information on developing empathy in your relationships, mentoring or otherwise, click on the link to the article below.

[Learn More](#)

Save the date! Big BC Lotto is Back



For the THIRD TIME, Big Brothers Big Sisters agencies across BC have joined together for the BIG BC LOTTO 50/50. This means that your ticket purchase has an even BIGGER impact on the lives of youth across our province!

TICKETS SALES STARTING APRIL 1, 2022

By purchasing a 50/50 ticket bundle, you get multiple chances to win! The more you buy, the more chances you have to win and the jackpot gets bigger!

YOU COULD WIN UP TO \$50,000! ODDS ARE 1 in 16600

Your chance to win is a child's chance to have a caring adult mentor in their life. Mark your calendars for April 1st and join Big Brothers Big Sisters in creating meaningful connections across the province.

Meet Our Team: Andrée Nash



Andrée has been the Events Officer at Big Brothers of Greater Vancouver for nearly two years. She works with community members, partners, and sponsors of all sizes to build fundraising events and campaigns, all in support of children and youth development through essential volunteer-led mentoring programs.

With over seven years in the non-profit and charity industry, she has developed many projects, from large-scale fundraising initiatives building homes for families with corporate community partners to community engagement events supporting local infrastructure and youth in underserved communities.

We asked Andrée some questions to get to know her better! Please read the full feature on our website, click the button below.

Meet Andrée Nash

How Businesses Can Support Us

DIFFERENT WAYS TO GIVE

BIG DEAL
CARD

AUCTION
ITEMS

At Big Brothers of Greater Vancouver, we are always looking for new partner organizations that can help add value to our impactful mentoring services. Here are a couple of ways you can support our mission today:

- Sign your business up to our Big Deal Card, which is helping the members of our mentoring programs re-engage with their community through special offers and discounts for events and activities. We're in a crucial time for young people, and with the support of the local businesses community, we can help children and youth find a sense of normality once again. If you think your business might be a good fit for the Big Deal Card, please email Airi, Development Coordinator, at anakamoto@bbgvf.com.
- We are looking for auction items for the 2022 B2Gold Big Brothers Golf Classic. Our annual tournament will be held in the fall at Shaughnessy Golf and Country Club on Monday, September 26, drawing an esteemed guest list of local business people. We are looking for various items, experiences, and gift certificates to include in this year's auction. For more information or to donate an item, don't hesitate to get in touch with our events team at events@bbgvf.com.

Beyond this, there are countless other ways that you can support our cause, such as [financial support](#), [clothing donations](#) or [volunteering](#). Click the button below to see a complete list of ways to support Big Brothers!

Ways to Give

Host a Donation Bin

HOST A CLOTHING DONATION BIN
WITH BIG BROTHERS



Everyone knows about our at-home pick up service, but did you know we offer indoor donation bins for residential, commercial, and corporate office buildings. Here's 5 reasons to get one:

1. **It's free** - easy and regular service that is only a phone call or text away.
2. **It's convenient** - declutter your garbage or recycling room and provide an easy option to donate.
3. **It's flexible** - there are multiple bin size options available to suit any space.
4. **It's environmentally friendly** - give your used clothing a second chance at life rather than adding to the abundance of textile waste.
5. **It helps young people** - donations are used to fund mentorship programs.

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THANK YOU



Along with our volunteers, our generous donors and supporters help make it possible for over 1,100 kids to have positive role models in their lives!

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