



**Big Brothers Big Sisters**  
of Central Virginia

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RE: \_\_\_\_\_

*Enter Name of Applicant*

The above referenced applicant is applying to become a Big Brother/Big Sister and has given us your name as a reference. We'd like you to answer the questions below. We assure you that your answers will be held in confidence. But first, here's a little about our programs.

- **Community-based Mentoring Program.** In this program, a Big Brother/Big Sister gets to spend time one-on-one with a child doing activities in the community that they both enjoy! Examples of activities include fishing, playing board games, baking cookies, or going to ball games. "Bigs" visit with their "Littles" two or three times a month, based on the participants' schedules.

- **Site-Based School Mentoring Program.** In this program, the Big Brother/Big Sister gets to go back to elementary school and experience the hot lunches and little desks all over again! They visit their Little Brother/Sister each week at their school. Activities are one-on-one and include reading, playing on the playground, or having lunch together.

**With this information in mind, please provide the following:**

1. How long have you known the applicant? \_\_\_\_\_

2. In what capacity do you know the applicant? \_\_\_\_\_

3. Do you know of any reason why being a Big Brother or Big Sister may not be the right volunteer experience for the applicant? \_\_\_\_\_  
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4. Why do you think he/she would be a good volunteer for our organization? \_\_\_\_\_  
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5. Do you know of any reason why this may not be the right time for the applicant to commit to being a Big Brother or Big Sister? \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, please explain.  
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Please rate the applicant on the following characteristics by marking with an 'X':

Characteristics	Very Good	Good	Average	Poor	Very Poor
Judgment/Decision Making					
Cooperation with Others					
Ethics/Moral Standards					
Emotional Stability					
Dependability					
Persistence in Difficult Situations					
Sensitivity to Others					

Please provide any additional information about the applicant that is relevant to him/her volunteering as a Big Brother/Big Sister: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Name(Print) \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

If you live in the Lynchburg area and would like more information about our organization, feel free to give us a call at 434-528-0400 or visit our website at [www.BigCVA.org](http://www.BigCVA.org). If you live outside of the Lynchburg area, you may call 1-888-412-BIGS (2447) or visit [www.bbbsa.org](http://www.bbbsa.org).

Thank you,

Inquiry & Enrollment Specialist