



Big Brothers Big Sisters
of Central Indiana

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Big Brothers Big Sisters of Central Indiana Awarded \$210K from The Glick Fund

INDIANAPOLIS – Big Brothers Big Sisters of Central Indiana is pleased to announce that it is the recipient of a two-year grant in the amount of \$210,000 from The Glick Fund, a fund of Central Indiana Community Foundation. The grant was awarded to support the agency's ongoing efforts to increase mentor matches in the Carriage House East Apartments and the 46235 zip code.

“Partnering with The Glick Fund to transform the lives of youth, families, and the 46235 community is the launch of a mentoring movement to encourage, empower and educate youth who are growing up in vulnerable times and in ever-changing communities,” said Tonja Eagan, CEO of BBBSCI. “The Glick Fund, Big Brothers Big Sisters of Central Indiana, IPS #94 and the Finish Line have formed a unique team of volunteer and financial resources to provide these youth with caring, adult role models.”

In total, The Glick Fund awarded \$1.09 million to 19 local organizations. The Fund's advisors are focusing their efforts on making a measurable impact in four areas of community need: 1) the arts and creative expression; 2) education; 3) human needs and the alleviation of suffering; and 4) self-sufficiency and job skills.

“In the last year we've changed the way we approach grant making,” said Marilyn Glick, founder of the Eugene & Marilyn Glick Family Foundation and chairwoman of The Glick Fund. “We're being much more strategic and proactive in researching these issues and approaching organizations that match our vision for making Indiana a better place to live.”

Of particular interest to the Fund advisors are transformative gifts that will build capacity and increase an organization's reach. “It has been such an incredible pleasure working side-by-side with The Glick Fund advisors. This type of dynamic relationship allows us to more effectively identify and match the Fund's community impact goals with targeted organizational and programmatic funding; further expanding their ability to improve the condition of our community,” say Brian Payne, president of Central Indiana Community Fund.

A new study conducted for Big Brothers Big Sisters by Harris Interactive® finds adults who were Little Brothers or Little Sisters, for one year or more, are 75% more likely than their peers who were not involved in the organization to have four-year college degrees and 39% more likely to have household incomes, as adults, of \$75,000 or greater. They are also significantly more likely to volunteer in their community and have positive relationships with their family and friends.

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About Big Brothers Big Sisters of Central Indiana

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Central Indiana is a non-profit organization that develops mentors committed to helping boys and girls grow into the next generation of caring, confident and competent adults. An affiliate of Big Brothers Big Sisters of America and a United Way partner, BBBS CI has been creating and supporting mentoring relationships in central Indiana for over 35 years. To volunteer, donate or for more information, visit www.bebigforkids.org or call 317-921-2201.

About The Glick Fund

The Glick Fund is a donor-advised fund of the Central Indiana Community Foundation. It was established by Eugene and Marilyn Glick in 1998 to support a variety of causes. The Glick Fund also strives to align with CICF's three broader community leadership initiatives of: Family Success & Making Connections; Inspiring Places; and College Readiness – initiatives aimed at making central Indiana one of the best places in the nation to live, work and raise a family.

To date, the Glick Fund has awarded over \$26 million in grants to not-for-profit organizations. Recent grant recipients include the Indianapolis Cultural Trail, the Glick Center for Glass at Ball State University, Heartland Truly Moving Pictures, the Eugene and Marilyn Glick Indiana Authors Award, Providence Cristo Rey High School and Ivy Tech's Culinary Institute, among many other organizations. For more information, please visit www.cicf.org.

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