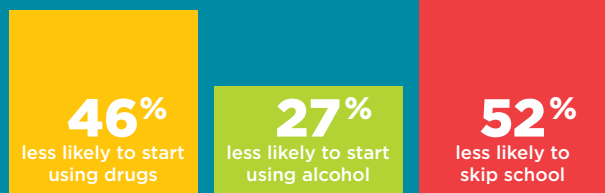


MENTORING CHILDREN WORKS!

Mentoring helps youth avoid certain risk-taking behaviors. Compared to children without mentors, youth with mentors are...



**Source: Big Brothers Big Sisters press release, Oct. 14, 2004*



55% more likely to be enrolled in college

78% more likely to volunteer regularly in their communities

81% more likely to report participating regularly in sports or extracurricular activities

**Source: Mentor: The National Mentoring Partnership, Jan. 2014*

OUR MISSION

Seton Youth Shelters shall provide a safe haven, counseling and outreach services, 24 hours per day, without charge, to assist youth in crisis throughout Hampton Roads with the goal of reuniting families.



Seton Youth Shelters is a National Safe Place licensed agency, providing youth in crisis 12 to 17 years old, immediate access to help through a network of area sites sustained by qualified agencies, trained volunteers, and businesses.

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BECOME A MENTOR



REWARDS THAT LAST A LIFETIME

MENTORING CHILDREN OF PRISONERS PROGRAM



WHAT MENTORS DO

A mentor provides regularly scheduled activities with their mentee. Mentors can participate in recreational, educational, cultural activities, or just provide a listening ear—whatever is needed. A mentor can be a positive outlet for a mentee adjusting to changes within the family structure. Mentors commit to spending four hours per month (weekly or biweekly) with a mentee and one year in the program.

When a child experiences the incarceration of an adult loved one, it affects the entire family. They may have a hard time adjusting to a change in the family structure or feel uneasy about explaining the situation to peers and adults.



WE HELP YOU TO HELP THEM

MCP staff ensures that mentors are well prepared before being matched with a mentee. Volunteers receive ongoing training and guidance from professional program staff prior to meeting a mentee and throughout the entire match.

ABOUT THE MCP PROGRAM



The Mentoring Children of Prisoners (MCP) program is FREE and available to youth 4-18 who have been affected by the incarceration of a parent or adult loved one, and who live in the Hampton Roads area. Each child is paired with an adult mentor who serves as a positive role model.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

How would I fit this into my schedule?

- Most mentors have jobs, go to school, have families and other obligations.
- Mentoring is flexible.
- A mentor's job is to have fun!

What if we have nothing in common?

- Mentors and mentees are matched based on shared interests and preferences.
- We provide ideas for low-cost and free activities.

Who can be a mentor?

- Adults 20 years or older.
- Able to spend four hours per month with a mentee.
- Ability to pass background checks.
- Someone with a license, auto insurance and a reliable vehicle.

If this is you, then YOU can be a mentor!



QUESTIONS ABOUT THE PROGRAM?

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