Big Brothers Big Sisters of Bermuda

BBBS QUARTERLY

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Pictured Above : Our BBBS family enjoying their Dolphin Quest Experience

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COVER STORY: Dolphin Quest Experience

Our Littles and their families had a memorable experience at Dolphin Quest last month! With over 30 participants, everyone was excited to join in and had a wonderful time. The day began with an amazing dolphin show, followed by the group adding their handprints to a banner, symbolizing unity. They then split into smaller groups for a dock experience where they fed and interacted with the dolphins. Afterward, we headed to Bonefish Grill for a delicious lunch to wrap up the day. A huge thank you to Sundee and her amazing staff at Dolphin Quest, and to Jimmy and the team at Bonefish Grill, for making this event so memorable. We had an incredible time and truly appreciate the support!

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Mentoring Month Celebrations

Big Sister of the Year
Aruna Dismont

Big Brother of the Year Matt Enright's Little, Cavon Nesbitt

Female Mentor of the Year
Annette Glasford

Female Mentor of the Year
Runner-Up
Jamillah Lodge

Male Mentor of the Year
Norris Burgess

Male Mentor of the Year
Runner-Up
Edmond Johnson

Celebrating Our BBBS Bigs of the Year and Bermuda's Mentors of the Year!

On Thursday, January 30th, Big Brothers Big Sisters of Bermuda held our annual Mentoring Month celebration. This special event allowed us to honor our Bigs of the Year and express our gratitude to some of our valued community partners.

We are thrilled to announce Aruna Dismont as our Big Sister of the Year! Aruna has made an incredible impact through her dedication and support, helping her Little Sister navigate life's challenges and guiding her toward a brighter future. Her unwavering commitment, hard work, and strong leadership qualities make her a true example of what it means to be a mentor. We are so proud to celebrate Aruna and her dedication to making a difference.

A huge congratulations also goes to Matthew Enright, our Big Brother of the Year! Although Matt couldn't join us in person due to being abroad, the positive influence he has had on his Little is evident. Matt has made a lasting impact, providing guidance, support, and mentorship in every aspect of his Little's life. His commitment to mentorship is truly inspiring.

BBBS Community Partner Awardee Esme Williams

BBBS Community Partner Awardee Necheeka Trott

BBBS Community Partner Awardee Kroll Bermuda Ltd.

BBBS Community Partner Awardee Carmen Desilva

BBBS Volunteer of the Year Stella Elliott

BBBS Advocate of the Year Chekea Furbert

This year, BBBS introduced the Mentor of the Year award, asking the public, "Who was your mentor growing up and how did they impact your life?" After many heartfelt nominations, we are proud to recognize Norris Burgess Jr. and Annette Glasford as Bermuda's Mentors of the Year! Both were nominated by individuals whose lives they've positively impacted. Their surprise at receiving this honor highlights the power of mentorship, showing that its influence can last a lifetime—even when it isn't always formal.

This is the true power of mentorship—sometimes it happens naturally, but its impact endures forever. We salute Norris and Annette for their incredible contributions to the community and thank all of our mentors for their dedication to making a difference.

Other community partner awardees: Esme Williams, Brian & Anne Botelho, Carmen Desilva, Necheeka Trott, Chekea Furbert and Stella Elliott. We also acknowledged companies Miller and Kroll.

It was a memorable occasion, where we celebrated the incredible impact of mentorship in our community and recognized those who have gone above and beyond to support our mission.

Thank you to everyone who joined us and made this celebration so meaningful!

Mothers Raising Sons

The BBBS Mothers Raising Sons program, facilitated by MASC Bermuda, took bonding to the next level! This time, mothers and sons came together for powerful trust-building activities and, let's just say, it was an eye-opening experience!

Blindfold Challenge: Moms had to trust their sons to guide them, then roles were reversed, teaching the power of communication and connection.

Bridge Building: Each mother-son duo had to build a bridge using only limited materials, proving that teamwork, patience, and trust can overcome any challenge!

It was more than just an activity, it was a meaningful experience that strengthened bonds and created lasting memories.

AKA Youth Leadership Institute

We're thrilled to announce that our BBBS girls are participating in the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. Youth Leadership Institute! This amazing program helps our youth develop leadership skills, boost self-awareness, and embrace a growth mindset.

Through monthly meetings and hands-on activities, our young leaders will strengthen their qualities, discover their strengths, and face challenges with confidence. They're learning to believe in themselves and understand the power of proactive leadership! In one of their sessions, they worked on vision boards and created t-shirts.

Together, we're helping them build a future full of limitless potential!

Meritus Trust International Women's Day

What an incredible experience some of our BBBS Moms had at Meritus Trust Company for International Women's Day 2025! We were honored to collaborate for a powerful Roundtable Event, where our moms had the opportunity to share their stories, exchange wisdom, and connect with other inspiring women from Meritus.

The conversation focused on real topics that resonated with our moms—self-care, finding strength in challenges, and building support systems. They laughed, they cried and left feeling more empowered than ever.

A huge thank you to Meritus and the amazing women who made this day unforgettable. This wasn't just an event—it was a celebration of the resilience, courage, and brilliance of women everywhere.

This is only just the beginning.

Cooking 4 Life: A Recipe for Success

Our Cooking 4 Life Program, led by dedicated BBBS community partner Carmen DeSilva, has been a resounding success! This program teaches children an invaluable life skill—how to cook simple, healthy, homemade meals. By learning to prepare these dishes, our Littles are gaining the confidence to feed themselves, and their families.

But the program goes beyond just cooking. We also focus on teaching important skills like reading food labels and comparing prices while shopping, helping children make informed choices when it comes to their health and budget. Carmen's leadership has made this program a fun and educational experience, empowering our youth with the tools they need to live healthier, more independent lives.

We're proud of the progress our participants have made and excited to continue offering program!

Meet Our New Mentors

BBBS New Match Alert!!!
Introducing: Big Brother Trey and his Little Brother Zyaire

BBBS New Match Alert!!!
Introducing: Big Sister Rakaya and her Little Sister Fancie

We are very excited to see our BBBS Family growing!!

Remember, everyone has something to offer, however small you think it is, it matters! Consistency is KEY!

You can be a part of our family too! Email us at bbbs@bbbs.bm for further information!