

## 2009-10 Audited Statement of Operations

Revenue	
Grants	488,094
Contributions	67,806
Fundraising, Net	154,507
Other	11,664
<b>Total</b>	<b>722,071</b>

Expenditures	
Advertising	3,738
Amortization	6,706
BBBS Canada Membership fees	14,818
Insurance	4,827
Interest bank charges	3,032
Occupancy costs	75,309
Office equipment	12,890
Postage	1,199
Printing	618
Professional fees	16,925
Salaries & Benefits	599,113
Staff Training & development	1,478
Telephone	12,780
Travel	13,906
Volunteer & donor recognition	4,887
<b>Total</b>	<b>829,464</b>

Excess of expenditure over revenue	(\$107,393)
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## 2009-2010 Annual Report



*To help kids in need make  
healthy life choices through  
positive mentoring relationships*

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# Over 700 children mentored in 2009-2010

## Message from our Executive Director



**Jules Graham-Hood**

It has been a great honor and privilege to be a part of such a remarkable organization as Big Brothers Big Sisters of Halton. Our successes over the past year have been solely due to our caring and professional staff, our supportive board, our compassionate volunteers and our generous and thoughtful sponsors and donors. Without your assistance we would not be able to make such a positive life lasting impact in our ever growing population of youth at-risk.

We have had, like many other organizations, a challenging year with the recession and donor fatigue. However the perseverance and commitment of our team has allowed us to maintain and even grow the agency to meet the never ending demand for programs and one to one matches in Halton.

The agency is proud to have successfully completed our National Accreditation in January 2010 with all policies and procedures adhered to and with a positive response from National on our grading. To date we have served over 700 children, with continued growth in client preventative services and programs ,in an effort to assist the fast pace growth of north Halton.

This spring we launched our Give Where You Live, Work and Play campaign with a goal to raise \$300,000 to allow us to continue serving youth and children in need of positive mentorship in their lives. BBBSH with your support is helping raise communities of strong, healthy, confident young people to become our leaders of tomorrow.

I am looking forward to a triumphant year ahead and sharing this with our passionate and charitable supporters who continue to help us make a difference in the lives of those less fortunate!

## OUR PROGRAMS

### Big Brother/Big Sister Program

The Big Brother Big Sister one to one mentoring program matches children and youth 5 -14 years of age who have been assessed at risk, with a volunteer Big Brother or Big Sister who can provide guidance, companionship and mentorship.

In 2009-10, we served over 200 children in the one to one program.

The Big Brother Big Sister program is our core mentoring program that directly contributes to our mission of providing mentoring to children and youth in need, to enhance their sense of belonging, self-worth and capacity to make healthy, well informed choices.

### In-School Mentoring Program

The In-School Mentoring program matches children 5 –12 years of age with a volunteer mentor. The program is non-academic and the child and mentor engage in games, crafts, sports or reading for an hour each week at a school from October through to June. The goal of the program is to enhance self-esteem and confidence and improve social skills through positive interaction with an adult role model.

We presently have 79 matches and 37 children waiting for service. The In School Mentoring program runs in over 36 Schools in the Halton Region.

### Group Recreation Program

BBBSH holds monthly group recreation activities to both matched children and children on our waiting list. These activities provide the children with an opportunity to participate in a regular recreational activity.

In 2009-10 a total of 384 children participated in the group recreation events.

Some fun activities offered were picnics, snow tubing, and a street hockey tournament.

### The Homework Club Mentoring Program

The Homework Club is a mentoring program offered to boys and girls in grades 3 to 8 who require academic, social and emotional support and who would benefit from one-to-one homework help with a caring volunteer. Volunteer mentors are recruited primarily from local high schools, with adult volunteer serving as supervisors.

In 2009-10 there were 18 clubs running in Public and Catholic schools in Oakville, Milton and Halton Hills, with 249 children participating.

### First Mentors Program

The First Mentors program is a 4 /5 week program that gives boys and girls on the waiting list the opportunity to participate in this program and enjoy the friendship of high school students and adult volunteers.

Last year 82 children participated in First Mentors.

We are very grateful to have the ongoing support and creative energies of Kip Longstaff and her team of teachers and students at Appleby College behind this highly successful program.

### Go Girls! Program

Go Girls! Healthy Bodies Healthy Minds is a 7 week program to support girls 12-14 years of age in dealing with their emotional, social and cultural issues. Through mentoring relationships with university-aged women the participants are provided with tools to help make informed choices about healthy living. The girls develop their social and physical selves, their self-esteem, problem solving strategies and healthy eating behaviours.

In 2009-2010, Go Girls! served over 100 girls within the school boards and a partnership with the YMCA of Oakville was also formed.