

CU Giving Back



At Cobalt, we love recognizing the many ways our employees give back to the communities we serve. Our CU Giving Back article this month represents the positive influence Wendy has had on a child's life through Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Midlands (BBBSM).

BBBSM serves young people from age seven through adulthood in one-to-one mentoring friendships. Referred to as "Bigs" and "Littles" in the program, each pair gets together two to three times per month for a few hours each time doing typical everyday activities such as homework, playing games, going out to eat, or just talking. BBBSM provides support to each pair with their dedicated Match Support Specialists to help the mentoring friendship grow.

Wendy first became involved with the organization in 2017. After completing their training session, BBBSM matched Wendy with her Little. As the years went by, Wendy and her Little bonded. They hadn't realized how it would be such a life changing experience for both of them! Still going strong, Wendy and her Little still meet on a regular basis and now their families get together twice a year to celebrate.

Searching for a way to mentor youth, Wendy knew BBBSM was going to be a good fit for her to give back and make a difference in the community. She enjoys the time she spends with her Little and looks forward to every interaction. Wendy has experienced firsthand the extraordinary effect of being an adult mentor and friend to a young person. Over the years, many Littles have graduated high school and are successfully taking the next steps in life thanks in large part to the confidence and support inspired by their Bigs.

Wendy's love for volunteering comes from the value she finds in meeting other people who inspire her and share the same interests. She enjoys connecting with others and spreading happiness wherever she goes. That positive energy certainly has made an impact at BBBSM!