Boyz2MENtoring Purpose: To encourage and equip area youth to build healthy relationships, develop passions, contribute to community, and personal growth.



"The measure of a man's greatness is not the number of servants he has, but the number of people he serves." - John Hagee

We are looking for MEN who can be committed to cultivating boys into the best men they can be!

Why is this important?

Father Absence Crisis in America

"According to the U.S. Census Bureau, 18.3 million children, 1 in 4, live without a biological, step or adoptive father in the home. Consequently, there is a "father factor" in nearly all of the societal ills facing America today. Research shows when a child is raised in a father-absent home, he (or she) is:

- At a 4x greater risk of poverty
- More likely to have behavioral problems
- More likely to face abuse/neglect
- More likely to abuse drugs/alcohol
- More likely to go to prison
- More likely to commit crimes
- 2x more likely to drop out of high school"

Source: U.S. Census Bureau. (2020). Living arrangements of children under 18 years old: 1960 to present. Washington, D.C.: U.S. Census Bureau

We need <u>YOU</u> to **ManUP** and play a role in building, shaping and molding our young men!

GOOD MEN are not born, <u>but built, shaped, and molded</u> during their childhood-adolescent years by their experiences, influences, communities and **MENTORS** that they can look up to.

Join us and become a MENTOR

APPLY TODAY at 2steps2work.org/boys2mentoring

MENTORING is a developmental relationship where one person invests time, know-how, and effort in enhancing another person's growth, knowledge, and skills.

MENTORS are expected to make a commitment to:

- Devote adequate time to mentoring and maintaining regular contact with mentees
- Respect mentor-mentee confidentiality
- Coach mentees in self-evaluation
- Provide mentees with an opportunity for new experiences and skill improvement

Benefits of being a Mentor:

- Develop leadership and communication skills
- Gain confidence
- Expand your networks
- Receive free training
- Increase personal fulfillment

Requirements:

- Must be 21 years old or older
- Must obtain Act33 clearance and criminal background check (FREE for volunteers-YOU)
- Must complete a virtual mentor 101 training
- Must commit to open communication with program team regarding mentoring activities and feedback