**SOCIAL and MENTORING PROGRAMS**

**Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Eastern Missouri** [www.bbbsemo.org](http://www.bbbsemo.org)

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Eastern Missouri was founded in 1914 as one of the “charter” agencies of the Big Brothers Big Sisters national movement. Through our 4:1+1SM model, young people are surrounded by caring and supportive adults to inspire them and show them anything is possible. The organization currently provides services to children and families in St. Louis City, St. Louis County, St. Charles County, Jefferson County, Cape Girardeau County and Scott County. Big Brothers Big Sisters is a proud member of the United Way. For more information about giving the gift of time, through volunteering, or treasure, by becoming a donor, contact Vivian Gibson at 314-361-5900.

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**Boy Scouts of America (St. Louis)** [www.stlbsa.org](http://www.stlbsa.org)

Provides youth with programs and activities that allow them to,

- try new things,
- provide service to others,
- build self-confidence,
- reinforce ethical standards.

Scouting does charge fees for membership, events and trips. The annual registration fee is $15. Boy's Life magazine is optional at $12 per year. Other costs vary depending upon the activities of the Scout unit. You will learn more once you contact your local Cub Scout Pack or Boy Scout Troop. Scouts can earn the money needed to participate in summer camp and other programs by participating in the council-wide popcorn sale. However, it is the position of the Greater St. Louis Area Council that money should not keep a young person from enjoying the Scouting program. The council's executive board authorizes scholarship, campership, and direct assistance funding dedicated to support any family in our service.

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**Girl Scouts Council of Greater St. Louis (North County Office)** [www.gscgls.org](http://www.gscgls.org)

Girl Scouting builds girls of courage, confidence, and character, who make the world a better place. Membership in Girl Scouts is open to girls in grades K through 12. Girls join for fun and friendship, but they also learn about building character and self-esteem and serving their communities—the core qualities of Girl Scouting. In partnership with committed adults, girls develop qualities that will serve them all their lives – like strong values, social conscience, and conviction about their own potential and self-worth. Activities are year round and include troop meetings, special interest groups, summer day and/or overnight camps, and lots more. For more information on your local Girl Scout Troup contact the school where your child(ren) attends to be provided with local troop leader information or contact information.

2300 Ball Dr. ● St. Louis, MO 63146 ● 314-592-2300

**Girls Incorporated of St. Louis** [www.girlsincstl.org](http://www.girlsincstl.org)

*Helps girls ages 4-18 grow through educational, cultural, recreational, and personal development programs in a safe environment.* Girls Incorporated of St. Louis (Girls Inc.) provides educational and cultural programs in safe environments for girls that enable them to raise their aspirations and realize their potential. Girls Inc. inspires all girls to be strong, smart and bold! At Girls Inc., we believe that each child has a unique intellectual, emotional, spiritual and physical potential. The cultivation of this potential is our priority. Programs give girls the information, skills, strategies and resources they need to make good decisions, solve problems, meet their own needs and lead others. These activities provide the opportunity to experience success as they grow to understand their options, accept new responsibilities and face new challenges. Afterschool programs are held in the following school districts: Ferguson/Florissant, Jennings, Normandy and University City.

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**Sistakeeper Empowerment Center** [www.sistakeeper.com](http://www.sistakeeper.com)

Creates a society of young women who know who they are, what they believe in, and what they stand for. They can
make educated choices, be assertive, display teamwork and be true to self, fighting for issues that plague our communities, breaking generational cycles, yet dedicated to make a difference. Open to girls ages 8 – 18. Through circles, workshops, journaling, mentoring, public speaking events, young women will display an increased awareness of self-confidence, realization of self-discipline, improved relationships with others, develop character and are empowered to grow positively!

YMCA of Greater St. Louis [www.ymcastlouis.org](http://www.ymcastlouis.org)

The Y is a cause-driven organization that is for youth development, for healthy living and for social responsibility. In St. Louis, the YMCA operates [21 facilities](http://www.ymcastlouis.org/emerson), including a resident camp and retreat center, to make certain that everyone—regardless of age, income or background—has the opportunity to learn, grow and thrive.

In North County, the Emerson Y is for everyone. For over 70 years our programs, services and initiatives enable kids to realize their potential, prepare teens for college, offer ways for families to have fun together, empower people to be healthier in spirit, mind and body, prepare people for employment, welcome and embrace newcomers and help foster a nationwide service ethic. And that's just the beginning. To find out more about your Emerson Family Y please visit [www.ymcastlouis.org/emerson](http://www.ymcastlouis.org/emerson) or stop by the Emerson Family YMCA.