

Mentor Resources

- Big Brother/Big Sister programming at a local YMCA or YWCA
- Boys and Girls Clubs
- Kids Hope USA, Illinois and Central USA, this organization assigns a church in “adoption” of a local school. Then they check background and trains volunteers from the church that is assigned the local school. These volunteer mentors meet with the child weekly in the school during school hours.
 - Contacts are Kari McLennan and Annette Forster, at PO Box 59472, Schaumburg IL 60159. Also at phone 847-997-7137 and fax 616-546-3586
- Royal Family Kids Camps (6-12 yo), Teen Reach Adventure Camp/TRAC and Mentoring Clubs in Illinois are designed to reach out to children, specifically, in foster care
 - 1) Camp #242 – First United Methodist Church, 610 Bonus Ave, Belvidere IL 61008; Camp Director Nancy Ramos at 815-544-3479
 - 2) Camp #345 – Cornerstone Assembly of God, 196 S Moreland Road, Bethlato IL 62010; Camp Director Darla Brown at 618-377-7625
 - 3) Camp #354 – 1st Assembly of God, PO Box 16, Carlinville IL 62626; Camp Director Jaime Armentrout at 217-854-8924
 - 4) Camp #255- The Rock Church, 515 Airport Road, Centralia IL 62801; Camp Director Terri Crompton at 618-533-3700
 - 5) Camp #116- Watermark Assembly of God, 807 W Elk St, Genesco IL 60134; Camp Director Jamie Burk at 309-945-4401; also has TRAC Director Debbie Burk at 309-269-8874
 - 6) Camp #127 – Chapel Street Church, 2300 South Street Geneva IL 60134; Camp Director Jenn Lindsay at 331-442-5822
 - 7) Camp #187 – RFKC of Lake and Cook Counties, 258 Longview Drive, Elgin IL 60124; Camp Director Serena Lerma at 224-402-4994
 - 8) Camp #188 – Southwest Community Church, 4405 VanDyke Road, Minooka IL 60447; Camp Director Lidia Salgado at 815-475-4680; also Mentoring Club #059 with Director John Hart at 815-475-4680
 - 9) Camp #305 – Mercy Vineyard, PO Box 1654, Moline IL 61266; Camp Director Wendy Bezotte at 309-269-7408
 - 10) Camp #017 – Stone Church, 10737 Orland Pkwy, Orland Park IL 60597; Camp Director Shirley Sorenson at 708-385-2770
 - 11) Camp #223 – The Grove Fellowship, 4210 Countryside Estates Dr, Poplar Grove IL 61065; Camp Director Cathy Fiebig t 815-596-0271
- BACA/Bikers Against Child Abuse, 2 bikers are assigned per child/youth; at least 1 female biker (of the 2) for a female child/youth; find the chapter nearest to where the child is placed. They will even go to court with a child as a support so the child can feel safe and brave. They allow

the child to pick a biker name (which protects their confidentiality) and give them a biker vest with their name and the BACA logo on it. Their hope is to help a child be brave in court and have strength to heal by their physical presence in the child's life

- 1) Fox Valley Chapter (covers DeKalb, DuPage, Cook, Will, Kane and Kendall counties), president@fv-il.bacaworld.org
- 2) Blackhawk Chapter (covers Rockford Region and surrounding counties), president@bl-il.bacaworld.org
- 3) East Central IL Chapter (to the east of Peoria), president@ec-il.bacaworld.org
- 4) Heart of IL Chapter (south of Peoria but north of Springfield) president@hi-il.bacaworld.org
- 5) There are 2 more chapters – one is Springfield and one in East St Louis areas