Civic Youth Serving Agencies

As your men's fellowship strives to make a difference in your community, consider using the following programs. These are sound, proven ways to instill values of character, citizenship, and respect for others while developing a strong reverence to God, self respect and self reliance.

Read below for more information on civic/scouting organizations.



Boy Scouts of America

Chartered by Congress in 1910, the Boy Scouts of America (BSA) emphasizes strong personal values, character, self-worth and usefulness, caring relationships, a desire to learn and productive and creative use of time.

Program Levels

* Tiger Cub – age 6
* Cub Scouts – ages 7-10
* Boy Scouts – ages 11-17
* Venturing – ages 14-20 (coed)

Useful Links

* [Boy Scouts of America website](http://www.scouting.org/)
* [About the BSA](http://www.scouting.org/About.aspx)
* [Find your local council](http://www.scouting.org/LocalCouncilLocator.aspx)
* [Organizing a BSA Unit in The United Methodist Church (PDF)](http://www.gcumm.org/files/uploads/OrganizingBSAunitinUMC.pdf)
* [Find a Boy Scout Unit in a United Methodist Church near you (PDF)](http://www.gcumm.org/files/uploads/UMunitsforwebsite_2013April.pdf)



Amachi Big Brothers Big Sisters

People of faith, mentoring children of promise.

Amachi Big Brothers Big Sisters is the only congregationally based mentoring program in the United States to offer a proven and effective model for mentoring children of incarcerated parents. Over 2.5 million children nationwide face a 70% probability of following their parent(s) to prison at some point. (excerpt from the Big Brothers Big Sisters Amachi program brochure)

Useful Links

* [Big Brothers Big Sisters website](http://www.bbbs.org/)
* [About the Amachi Program](http://www.bbbs.org/site/c.9iILI3NGKhK6F/b.5961033/k.8E8E/Amachi_Program.htm)
* [Learn more about being a Big](http://www.bbbs.org/site/c.9iILI3NGKhK6F/b.5962345/k.E123/Volunteer_to_start_something.htm)
* [Sign up now to be a Big](http://www.bbbs.org/site/c.9iILI3NGKhK6F/b.5961203/k.61FA/Sign_up_to_volunteer.htm)



Girl Scouts of the USA

The Girl Scouts of the USA (GSUSA), the largest voluntary organization for girls in the world, helps girls grow strong physically, mentally, emotionally and spiritually.

Program Levels

* Daisy Girl Scouts – grades K-1st
* Brownie Girl Scouts – grades 2nd-3rd
* Junior Girl Scouts – grades 4th-5th
* Cadette Girl Scouts – grades 6th-8th
* Senior Girl Scouts – grades 9th-10th
* Ambassador Girl Scouts - grades 11th-12th

Useful Links

* [Girl Scouts of America website](http://www.girlscouts.org/)
* [GSUSA Facts](http://www.girlscouts.org/who_we_are/facts/)
* [Find your local council](http://www.girlscouts.org/councilfinder/)



Camp Fire

Camp Fire supports children and youth on their journey to adulthood with inclusive, youth-development programs that develop personal life skills, social responsibility, healthy lifestyles and leadership.

Programs Include…

* Child care
* Self-reliance and service learning classes
* Camping and environmental education
* Absolutely Incredible Kid Day
* Clubs and mentoring opportunities
* Community family and co-ed clubs

Useful Links

* [Camp Fire website](http://campfire.org/)
* [Find your local council](http://ww2.campfireusa.org/council_locator/council_default.asp)
* [Mission and values](http://www.campfireusa.org/Mission_and_Core_Values.aspx)