

SO MANY THINGS TO DO WITH YOUR LITTLE!!

Indoor Activities:

- ★ Attend a BBBS Match Activity!
- ★ Attend a play at the Lerner, South Bend Civic Center, or Morris Performing Arts Center!
- ★ Attend school conference w/parent
- ★ Bake a cake, cookies, or brownies or make candy!
- ★ Build something (bookshelf, bird house, bench, table, etc.)
- ★ Call your Support Specialist together and let them know about the activities you have tried!
- ★ Carve a pumpkin together - don't forget to roast the seeds!
- ★ Check into local history/archeology!
- ★ Complete jigsaw puzzles or create your own.
- ★ Completing homework!
- ★ Create a Match scrapbook or photo album to record all your fun times together!
- ★ Create a scavenger hunt game or competition inside!
- ★ Create your own game!
- ★ Decorate a Christmas tree!
- ★ DIY spa day!
- ★ Do a science project together using household products (find out what happens to an egg soaked in vinegar)!
- ★ Do a TikTok challenge or competition with Parent/Guardian permission!
- ★ Do laundry!
- ★ Draw, paint, work with clay, or make Paper-Mache animals or casts of each other!
- ★ Eat lunch with your Little at school!
- ★ Find a location to play indoor soccer, squash, badminton, volleyball, basketball, a gym to learn a new martial art, etc.!
- ★ Form your own book club (with other matches) and/or read together!
- ★ Go to a 4-H meeting!
- ★ Go to a gem and mineral show!
- ★ Go to a hockey game!
- ★ Go to a movie!
- ★ Go to an art exhibit!
- ★ Go to an auction!
- ★ Go to back-to school night!
- ★ Go to BBBS Agency Sponsored Events!
- ★ Go to the RV of Fame!
- ★ Go to the library!
- ★ Grocery shop together!
- ★ Have a TV show you both watch every week, then call and talk about it!

- ★ Have your Little teach you something!
- ★ Make a hook rug!
- ★ If your Little is a teenager, practice completing job and college applications!
- ★ Keep a journal of all your outings together and what you liked/disliked about each!
- ★ Learn an instrument!
- ★ Learn and practice a new language! (App DuoLingo is a great resource. YouTube is great for learning American Sign Language)
- ★ Learn and practice dance moves together!
- ★ Listen to music together!
- ★ Look through coupon books for 2 for 1 deals for your favorite activities!
- ★ Look up new words in the dictionary!
- ★ Make a collage on “friendship” or your Little’s life using pictures and headlines from old magazines and newspapers!
- ★ Make a log cabin, picture frame, or anything you can think of out of Popsicle sticks!
- ★ Make friendship bracelets or do other crafts together!
- ★ Make paper airplanes and gliders!
- ★ Make paper dolls!
- ★ Make puppets!
- ★ Make up new lyrics to a song – maybe even about your match!
- ★ Make wrapping paper from old magazines and newspaper!
- ★ Make your own cards for holidays, birthdays, and other special occasions for friends and relatives!
- ★ Make your own T-shirts with fabric markers and colored glue!
- ★ Plan for a money earning project and save money for a special event!
- ★ Play a game: Charades, I Spy, Who Am I, checkers, board game, hopscotch, dominoes, etc.
- ★ Play cards!
- ★ Play games on the internet or peruse your favorite age-appropriate sites together!
- ★ Play video games!
- ★ Pop popcorn (the “old fashioned” way, not in the microwave) and watch a movie!
- ★ Prepare a meal together from start to finish – try finding good recipes online or in your favorite cookbook!
- ★ Try quilting and make a blanket!
- ★ Do chores together!
- ★ Research your family trees together – the library and internet are great resources!
- ★ Share family/vacation pictures with each other!
- ★ Show your Little your high school yearbook, baby pictures, old report cards, etc.!
- ★ Spaceteam App; it’s a co-operative shouting game!
- ★ Spend some time with your Support Specialist! We love getting out of the office and hanging out with matches!
- ★ Start a collection of something you are both interested in like stamps, rocks, coins, comics, bugs, dolls, figures, sports cards, etc.!
- ★ Start a garden - indoors or out!

- ★ Start a hobby together (astronomy, clowning, sewing, music, singing, drama, dance, stained glass, painting, poetry)!
- ★ Take an art or woodworking class!
- ★ Take Little to meet your family!
- ★ Take pictures!
- ★ Take your Little to your place of employment!
- ★ Talk on the phone!
- ★ Tour Notre Dame!
- ★ Tour the fire department!
- ★ Tour the police station!
- ★ Tour TV/Radio station!
- ★ Visit a college campus!
- ★ Visit a local courthouse and observe a court hearing!
- ★ Visit a museum!
- ★ Visit a nature center!
- ★ Visit a pet store!
- ★ Visit your church or your Little's church!
- ★ Volunteer at a community center, soup kitchen, or the local humane society!
- ★ Watch a YouTube video and learn things!
- ★ Work on house projects together!
- ★ Workout together: stretching, yoga, Pilates, Zumba, water aerobics, foam sports, create a workout through YouTube or Pinterest, create a dance routine, powerlifting or the gym!
- ★ Write a letter to your Little on your match anniversary telling what you've noticed about them in the last year! Ex: positive changes, growth, or maturity!
- ★ Write a newsletter together to send to your friends and relatives!
- ★ Write and send letters in the mail to each other or get pen pals!
- ★ Go bowling!

Outdoor Activities:

- ★ Attend your Little's school play or sporting event to cheer them on!
- ★ Backyard jigsaw puzzle (a puzzle mat allows you to roll up and travel with puzzle in progress)!
- ★ Bike Ride (Potato Creek State Park has biking trails that are safe for younger kids)!
- ★ Blow bubbles!
- ★ Bounce on a trampoline!
- ★ Build a snowperson!
- ★ After you've been match for a year, campout!
- ★ Check out local events!
- ★ Collect bugs, leaves or flowers!
- ★ Cookout!
- ★ Wade in a creek!
- ★ Do workout together at the park or in a backyard! (yoga, squats, burpees, jumps, push-ups, relays, lunges, jump rope)
- ★ Drive go carts!
- ★ Enjoy cloud watching on a nice day!
- ★ Explore various neighborhoods and outdoor landmarks!
- ★ Feed birds or go to a park and feed the ducks!
- ★ Fence art: Use ribbon to weave into chain link fence!
- ★ Go fishing!
- ★ Fix a car!
- ★ Fly a kite!
- ★ Go apple picking and try different apple recipes with your apples!
- ★ Go Christmas caroling!
- ★ Go for a car ride in the city or country!
- ★ Go get ice cream or other treat from a local shop!
- ★ Go out to eat!
- ★ Go roller-skating, blading or ice skating!
- ★ Go swimming or even play with the water hose or sprinkler in the backyard!
- ★ Go to a circus, carnival, festival, or fair!
- ★ Go to a flea market!
- ★ Go to a little league game!
- ★ Go to a race!
- ★ Go to an amusement park!
- ★ Go to an auto show, boat show, or truck pull!
- ★ Go to the air show!
- ★ Go to the Beach/Dunes! (Silver Beach, Potato Creek State Park, Warren Dunes, etc.)
- ★ Go to the lake!
- ★ Go to the zoo!
- ★ Have a picnic at the park!

- ★ Hike/Walk! (Local parks, Potato Creek State Park, St. Patrick's County Park, Rum Village, etc)
- ★ Go horseback riding!
- ★ Hula hoop!
- ★ Kayak or canoe!
- ★ Look for butterflies!
- ★ Make an obstacle course in your yard or Local Park and time each other!
- ★ Mow the lawn
- ★ Outdoor art project: sidewalk chalk. Tie-dye. Paint hopeful signs to share with others, coloring. Knitting.
- ★ Outdoor Lego build competition – sit apart from each other with a timer to build a certain object, theme. At time, compare or swap projects. Or find way to unite them together.
- ★ Paintball
- ★ Play catch
- ★ Play disc golf
- ★ Play golf, putt-putt, or Ninja Golf or just hit golf balls at a driving range!
- ★ Go for a run!
- ★ Show them how to maintain their bike—replace chain, repair brakes, etc.!
- ★ Go skateboarding!
- ★ Go sledding!
- ★ Take a pet for a walk!
- ★ Take a train ride!
- ★ Go to a local concert!
- ★ Teach them how to change the oil in your car, or any handy skills you may have!
- ★ Trash pick-up! (service project)
- ★ Try a new sport/play a sport! (Frisbee, football, basketball, baseball, jogging, karate, etc.)
- ★ Wash the car!
- ★ Watch a parade!
- ★ Watch fireworks show!

There are many fun and unique ways to have fun with your Little!! Please remember that any activity that has a risk of serious injury is discouraged by BBBS. If you, your Little's caregiver, and your Little decide to participate in a high-risk activity, a waiver must be signed prior to the activity. Please discuss any activities that may be considered high-risk with your Match Support Specialist.