

#### Integrating a Social Justice Framework into Strategic Partnerships & Resource Development

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### Welcome



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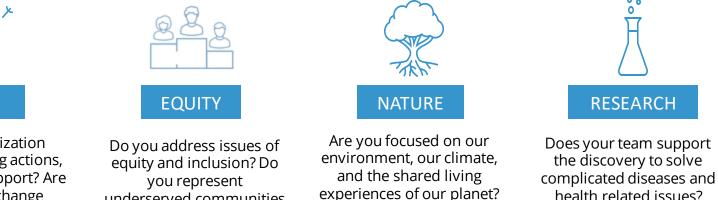






# Your Organization

Where does your organization lead for your values as they relate to your mission? A few examples include:



health related issues?

HOPE Is your organization leading inspiring actions, services and support? Are

> you a social change organization?

underserved communities and voices?



# POLL WHO IS WITH US TODAY?





What is Social Justice?

For our conversation we will define Social Justice as:

A philosophical concept of fairness for people along various social dimensions including wealth, opportunities, and social privileges.

The widely adopted principles of social justice include access to resources, equity, participation, diversity, and human rights.



## OUR VISION



Every kid graduates with a plan for their future and a mentor for life.

# **OUR WHY** What's the purpose that aligns and fuels us?

# INSPIRING YOUTH EQUITY & EMPOWERMENT





## ROOTED IN JUSTICE -

Big Brothers Big Sisters was founded as an innovative alternative to the juvenile justice system to create equity and empowerment for young people who needed us most. Today, this spirit drives us to become the foremost JEDI youth empowerment organization.







# JEDI - JUSTICE, EQUITY, DIVERSITY & INCLUSION





# Our Language

#### Language is power – a tool to learn and handle with care

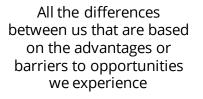


Dismantling barriers to resources and opportunities in society so that all individuals and communities can live a full and dignified life <u>8</u> C.



Allocating resources to ensure everyone has access to the same opportunities







Fostering a sense of belonging by centering, valuing, and amplifying the voices, perspectives and styles of those who experience more barriers based on their identities





## Big Brothers OUR WHY: Big Sisters. JEDI WORK IN ACTION

In June 2020, Little Brother Aidan wanted to lead a family-friendly march in his Portland, Oregon community, and enlisted his Big Brother Jerry to help bring his youth led protest to life.

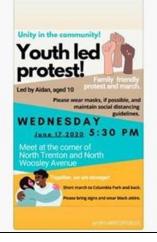
Hi all! My partner's little brother, Aidan, from Big Brothers Big Sisters is organizing a BLM protest/march for this Wednesday. It would mean a lot to Aidan to have a crowd of people show-up in support! The protest is family-friendly and the weather is looking great so far. Please feel free to pass on to your networks as well. 😂



Little Brother Aidan and Big Brother Jerry









# LESOURCE DEV

## CORPORATE ENGAGEMENT

#### ALIGNING OUR BRAND WITH THE RIGHT PARTNERS



Youth/Program Impact & Outcomes Employee Engagement/Giving Internships/Career Experiences National /Local Board Involvement

- Thought Leadership & Influencers
- Media, PR, & Storytelling
- Shared Stage & Event Experience Business
- Expertise & Innovation Sharing

Shared Authentic Platform Youth Equity & Empowerment





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## PARTNERSHIP CASE STUDIES



**NBCUNIVERSAL** 

FOUNDATION

#### HOW DO I BRING PARNTERS IN?



#### CLARITY

What do you need a partner to do or support?



#### **AUTHENTICITY** -

How does your mission uniquely lead?



What can you commit to by when?



# Raise

#### **ZOOM BREAKOUT ROOMS**

#### How do you bring partners into your values-based work?

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Person with the LAST NAME closest to the LETTER A

FACILITATOR

Did your organization take a stand in 2020 to publicly support BLM and the social justice movements?

How did your leadership, volunteers and donors respond? Have you engaged corporate partners in your values-based work?

Has it been effective? Why/Why Not? Choose one story to bring back to the group to share in the CHAT.



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# **Share Your Learnings**



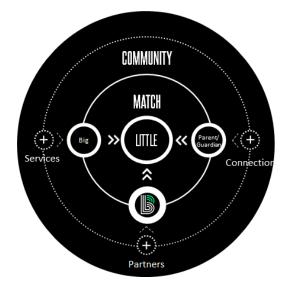


WHY

✓ JEDI-focused youth empowerment organization

#### HOW

 ✓ 1 to 1 plus mentorship-based, collective impact model





- VISION
- ✓ To empower every kid on the path to graduate with a plan for their future a mentor for their lifetime

**Big Sister Angie and Little Sister Alexa** 

## THANK YOU!

