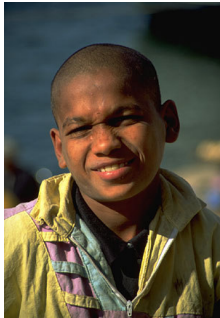


## MISSION STATEMENT

*“The mission of the Riverside  
County Mentor Collaborative is to  
assist, support and develop safe  
and positive mentor-protégé  
relationships towards a goal of  
strong, safe communities  
for families and their children”*



*A child is waiting for you....*

## Riverside County Mentor Collaborative Members:

Banning Youth Center, Project L.E.A.D., Hermanas Intimas, Valley Partnership, MOM-AmeriCorps, RSVP, Desert Sands Unified School District Mentors Matter, Student Assistance Program, Boys & Girls Club of Coachella Valley, Operation Teenwork, Palm Springs Youth Center, Big Brothers and Sisters of the Desert, Blythe Police Activities League (Project PAL), Starfish Program, Back on Track, Valley Restart Shelter, Hemet Unified School District, T.A.R.G.E.T. Program, Temecula Valley Unified School District, Academic Volunteer & Mentor Service Program, Quail Valley Project L.I.F.T, F.O.C.U.S. Academic Mentor Program, Valley Wide Outreach Services, Pre-Apprenticeship Program, Olive Crest mentoring Program, Young Men as Fathers, Youth Accountability Board Probation Department, Big Brothers & Sisters of the Inland Empire, Phelia Project, YWCA of Riverside County, Economic Development Agency/Learn and Earn Program, People Reach Out (PRO), Youth Education and Motivation Program (YEMP), Riverside Community Settlement, Casa Blanca Home of Neighborly Services, Lutheran Social Service (Genesis Shelter), Boys & Girls Club of Corona, Speed Zone Racing School, Riverside County Office on Aging, Family Services Association of Western Riverside County, Moreno Valley Unified School District (ACCESS), Corona Police Department Pave the Way Youth Program, Nuvview Union School District, Riverside County Office of Education, Moreno Valley YMCA, Riverside YMCA, Perris Valley W.I.N.



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# MENTORING



**MENTOR:** *A wise and trusted counselor, teacher or friend...*

*The word mentor first appeared as a character's name in Homer's Odyssey. Mentor was the trusted counselor of Odysseus, to whom the king entrusted the safekeeping and development of his only son, Telemachus, during his travels.*

*Mentors have always existed. For most of us, there was that special person—a teacher, a coach, a relative, a friend—who helped open the world to our dreams and lives.*

A Mentor...

- Serves as a role model
- Gives quality time
- Provides guidance
- Shares a hobby or interest
- Encourages a child (in sports, the arts, academics or community service)
- Listens

## What is RCMC ?

The Riverside County Mentor Collaborative is a partnership of mentor programs that assist, support, and encourage safe, positive mentor-protégé connections through:

- ◆ Sponsoring mentor-trainer workshops
- ◆ Support and technical assistance for mentors and mentor-trainers
- ◆ Access to an 800 resource number to assist individuals and agencies
- ◆ Maintain a comprehensive directory of mentor programs throughout Riverside County.

## The Partnership Between a Mentor and a Child (protégé)

A mentor-protégé partnership is a caring, encouraging, respectful, friendship between an older individual and a younger counterpart. Mentoring allows people to connect with each other and their community.

As a mentor, you will:

- ◆ Help a child explore new worlds.
- ◆ Share your experiences / knowledge.
- ◆ Provide positive reinforcement.
- ◆ Develop positive goals and attitudes.
- ◆ Establish a friendship that lasts a lifetime.



## How Do I Become A Mentor?

There are many ways to become a mentor, no special qualifications are needed. Ask yourself whether you want to become involved on a long-term or short-term basis. How do you want to spend your time? Do you want to teach, build a relationship, participate one-on-one, or in a group?

After reflecting on your needs, contact the Riverside County Mentor Collaborative Information line, at 1-888-MENTOR6 (toll free). You will be referred to a mentor group in your area that fits your needs.

### MENTOR RESOURCES: -

- **Governor's Mentoring Partnership**  
[www.adp.ca.gov](http://www.adp.ca.gov)
- **California Mentor Foundation**  
[www.calmentor.ca.gov](http://www.calmentor.ca.gov)
- **National Mentoring Partnership**  
[www.mentoring.org](http://www.mentoring.org)
- **Riverside County Mentor Collaborative**  
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