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## Big Brothers Big Sisters assembles business advisory team

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The **Big Brothers Big Sisters of Central Texas** organization picked 13 business leaders to serve on a strategic advisory team.

The group will help the mentoring organization recruit executive board members, solidify long-term strategic issues and influence resources for agency growth.

The advisory team includes: **Sweet Leaf Tea** CEO Clayton Christopher, **De Leon and Washburn** Founder Hector De Leon, **Endeavor Real Estate Group Managing** Principal Chris Ellis, **Heritage Title Company** President Gary Farmer, **Texas Capital Bank** President Kerry Hall, id2 CEO Rick Hawkins, **Seton Family of Hospitals** Senior Vice President Trennis Jones, **Maxwell Auto Group** Owner Nyle Maxwell, **Brown McCarroll LLP** Partner Nikelle Meade, Dick Rathgeber of **Rathgeber Investments**, **Round Rock Express** Baseball Club Founder and CEO Reid Ryan, **MPower Labs** Chief of Staff Suzi Sosa and **Focus Strategies** President Gary Valdez.

Big Brothers Big Sisters provided more than 74,000 hours of mentoring to 1,519 children in Central Texas last year and distributed \$51,500 in scholarship funding.

The group matches children ages 6–16 years old with supportive adult mentors who build friendships and offer encouragement and support.