



Big Brothers
Big Sisters®

AMACHI MISSOURI 2022 BY THE NUMBERS

The aim of the Amachi program is to break the cycle of incarceration. Research shows that – without intervention – 70% of children with a parent in prison will end up serving time too. Mentorship can interrupt this painful cycle.

The Amachi mentorship program pairs a child with a caring adult mentor who listens, laughs, and learns alongside them. Core to the program is the belief that each child has unique needs and talents to be fostered.

Amachi is a West African word meaning "Who knows but what God has brought us through this child."

702

LITTLES IN THE
AMACHI BIG
BROTHERS
BIG SISTERS
PROGRAM

THE
NEED IS
GREAT

47,612

CHILDREN
have a parent in
a Missouri prison.
2016 Data

IMPACTING
LIVES AND
SAVING
TAXPAYERS

\$61,604

*Average annual cost of justice-involved youth in Mo. DYS Services**

AVERAGE TIME
AMACHI LITTLES
SPENT WITH
THEIR BIG

5 HOURS/
MONTH

The U.S. Department of Justice named Amachi Missouri a **NATIONAL BEST PRACTICE** in preventing juvenile delinquency.

<1%

OF 702 AMACHI LITTLES entered the juvenile justice system

93%

of Amachi Littles surveyed report **POSITIVE EDUCATIONAL EXPECTATIONS**

86%

of Amachi Littles surveyed report **SOCIAL ACCEPTANCE** (*increased 8% since 2021*)

AMACHI SERVICE AREAS

ST. LOUIS, ST. CHARLES, CAPE GIRARDEAU, COLUMBIA, JEFFERSON CITY, SPRINGFIELD, KANSAS CITY

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