**BECOME A BOYS TO MEN PARTICIPANT**

Boys to Men Mentoring Network of Virginia is a group mentoring organization serving middle and high school young men, ages 12-17. Young men that attend a BTMVA group mentoring circle need positive role models in their lives and as result, improve their behavior, decrease the academic or school attendance issues and/or can benefit from the support of other peers and mentors within the community. Through open and confidential sharing, the young men are encouraged to explore who they are, who they want to be and what is keeping them from that goal. They explore their accountability, values, self-worth, emotions, and feelings.

**RITE OF PASSAGE ADVENTURE WEEKEND**

During the ROPAW weekend, boys are challenged and supported through a series of carefully facilitated activities designed to help boys cope with the ordeals they will face during adolescence. During the weekend, they learn about integrity and accountability, mission and service. The 3-day event is led by experienced facilitators and trained staff providing a 2:1 ratio of mentors to boys. Our boys and mentors spend more time together this weekend than a typical mentor program provides in six months. This weekend is a life-changing experience boys never forget.

**DONATE ONLINE:** [www.btmva.org/donate-us](http://www.btmva.org/donate-us)

- All funds raised stay local to the Virginia chapter.
- Participants pay no dues or fees.
- Monies raised support their participation in circles and wraparound services.

**DONATE WITH CONFIDENCE**

In a world where there are few safe places for young men to turn to for help, your support connects young men with local communities of caring mentors.

**SITE-BASED CIRCLES BTMVA**

Offers three types of site-based mentoring circles:

- **IN-SCHOOL**
  - School administration refers boys with academic or behavioral issues to attend weekly BTM group sessions.

- **AFTER-SCHOOL**
  - Boys are offered an opportunity to attend weekly after-school groups held at their school.

- **COMMUNITY GROUPS**
  - Open to all boys.

**TAX DEDUCTIBLE:** Boys to Men Mentoring Network of Virginia is a 501(c)(3) Nonprofit Corporation, Tax ID #27-2354386

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**THEN & NOW**

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10 Years & over 1500 young men supported
COMMUNITY PARTNERS
At the heart of the program is the weekly Circle where young men and mentors gather to share their experiences of being and becoming men of integrity. We also have the best community partners that help us take interested participants on amazing adventures. AT&T, Beyond Boundaries and RVA Paddlesports lead summer leadership camps, river kayaking and rock climbing activities. Each July we partner with TAP Mental Health, Milestones to Manhood and the Chesterfield County Police Department to present the Anthony Harris Work Hard, Play Hard Football Camp.

WHERE WE SERVE
BTMVA currently has participants in the Greater Richmond metropolitan area and surrounding counties as well as the Tri-cities Region. If you have a son or male student that is age appropriate, contact us so we can find them a community or school-based circle to begin attending. We also offer a virtual circle to support any young man in the state. There is no cost to any participants in the Boys to Men Mentoring Program. Boys agree to a nine-month initial commitment and are self-accountable to participate.

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LEND YOUR SUPPORT
Boys to Men Mentoring Network of Virginia welcomes any one-time or recurring contribution. We offer donors various levels of support. We measure our program and share results to show what your donation provides to a participating boy and to the greater BTMVA organization. Each year we conduct surveys with participating school sites to track participants attendance, grades and disciplinary action. We also keep confidential records of participant demographics.

ANNUAL EVENTS
We invite you to join us at our annual community events. We welcome sponsors to support our outreach efforts through these events and cover costs associated. If you’d like to be a BTMVA sponsor, contact us and we’ll share more.

GENEROUS CONTRIBUTORS
We are able to meet young men’s mentoring needs today because of the generous support of the following foundations:

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