





## Mentor Application

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Employment: \_\_\_\_\_

Supervisor: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever been convicted of a crime? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you currently have any criminal charges against you? \_\_\_\_\_

How did you hear about the Crawford County Mentorship Program?  
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Why do you want to become a mentor?  
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**\*If you are interested in becoming a mentor, please fill out the brief application and return to the address provided. A full application will be completed upon approval of the coordinators.**

**\*The Crawford County Mentorship Program is Supported in partnership with Crawford County Health & Human Services Youth Justice Innovation Grant.**

### Who can be a mentor?

- ☆ A mature adult (18 or older) who is willing to invest 4-8 hours a month with a youth. Each mentor is expected to make a one year commitment to the youth. Mentors must pass a criminal check, DMV check, and child welfare background check. Mentors must also provide 3 personal references and auto insurance since they may be transporting youth.

### Who qualifies for a mentor?

- ☆ A referral to the Mentor Program may be made for any youth between the ages of 6-17 experiencing adversity, or who would benefit from the connection and positive outcomes gained when matched with a mentor.
- ☆ Youth and parent(s) who are willing to participate and would benefit from the mentorship connection.

### Duties and Responsibilities of a Mentor:

- ☆ Increase self-esteem by strengthening academic, social, emotional, and personal skills.
- ☆ Increase protective factors such as social competence, sense of purpose, resiliency in the face of adversity, and problem-solving skills.
- ☆ Improve peer and adult relations, dependability, and productivity.

- ☆ Offer a safe place by building a supportive and trusting relationship.

- ☆ Be a Good Listener.

### Benefits of Being a Mentor:

- Develop a friendship with a terrific young person.
- Experience a sense of giving back to your community.
- Being a part of the solution: reducing truancy, substance abuse, and suicide rates among youth.
- Embrace an opportunity to meet a challenge and make a difference.
- Flexibility to meet your schedule: meet during lunch, after school, weekends, involve other family members.

### Required Mentor Trainings:

- ☆ Mentors are required to complete an online training prior to being matched. This training spans on all stages of, motivations, expectations, and your role as a mentor. It is our hope that it will better prepare mentors for a positive experience.
- ☆ Mentor orientation is designed to introduce the skill, experience, knowledge, and emotional support needed in order to work effectively with our youth, and their unique backgrounds and needs.