

CHIP Mentoring Program

CHIP
Children of Incarcerated Parents

Mission Statement

The CHIP Mentoring program is a Baltimore- based program for children of incarcerated parents, run through Alternative Directions, Inc. After being referred, children are matched with a volunteer mentor from the community. Over time, the mentor and mentee build a positive consistent long term friendship through one-on-one mentoring and group activities.



A mentor is many things, like a role model, and advocate, and a supporter. More than anything else, though, a mentor is a friend.

Mentor Responsibilities Include:

- Be a positive friend and role model to your mentee.
- To plan educational and fun activities.
- Meet with your mentee a **minimum of four hours each month**, at least once every other week.
- Commit to a **minimum of one year** with your mentee (many matches decide to continue after the year is up).
- Communicate with the mentee's parent or guardian.
- Communicate with the CHIP Program coordinator about your relationship with your mentee.



We are looking for members of the Baltimore community with diverse backgrounds! If you are interested please email Anjali Tallapragada CHIP Program Coordinator, at atalla@alternativedirectionsinc.org or call 410-889-5072 for more information and applications. Feel free to read more on our website (www.alternativedirectionsinc.org).

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