

**Internal Revenue Service
District Director**

Department of the Treasury

**P. O. Box 2508
Cincinnati, OH 45201**

Date: November 5, 1999

Person to Contact:

Linda A. Hill 31-01768
Customer Service Representative

Big Brothers Big Sisters Association
Of Allen County, Inc.
122 E. Market St.
Lima, OH 45801

Telephone Number:

877-829-5500

Fax Number:

513-684-5936

Federal Identification Number:

34-1369023

Dear Sir or Madam:

This letter is in response to your request for an updated copy of your organization's determination letter. This letter will take the place of the copy you requested. We have changed the address of your organization from P.O. Box 1093, Lima, OH 45802-1093 to the address shown above per telephone request from Larry Hoffman.

Our records indicate that a determination letter issued in October 1982, granted your organization exemption from federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. That letter is still in effect.

Based on information subsequently submitted, we classified your organization as one that is not a private foundation within the meaning of section 509(a) of the Code because it is an organization described in section 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi).

This classification was based on the assumption that your organization's operations would continue as stated in the application. If your organization's sources of support, or its character, method of operations, or purposes have changed, please let us know so we can consider the effect of the change on the exempt status and foundation status of your organization.

Your organization is required to file Form 990, Return of Organization Exempt from Income Tax, only if its gross receipts each year are normally more than \$25,000. If a return is required, it must be filed by the 15th day of the fifth month after the end of the organization's annual accounting period. The law imposes a penalty of \$20 a day, up to a maximum of \$10,000, when a return is filed late, unless there is reasonable cause for the delay.

All exempt organizations (unless specifically excluded) are liable for taxes under the Federal Insurance Contributions Act (social security taxes) on remuneration of \$100 or more paid to each employee during a calendar year. Your organization is not liable for the tax imposed under the Federal Unemployment Tax Act (FUTA).

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Organizations that are not private foundations are not subject to the excise taxes under Chapter 42 of the Code. However, these organizations are not automatically exempt from other federal excise taxes.

Donors may deduct contributions to your organization as provided in section 170 of the Code. Bequests, legacies, devises, transfers, or gifts to your organization or for its use are deductible for federal estate and gift tax purposes if they meet the applicable provisions of sections 2055, 2106, and 2522 of the Code.

Your organization is not required to file federal income tax returns unless it is subject to the tax on unrelated business income under section 511 of the Code. If your organization is subject to this tax, it must file an income tax return on the Form 990-T, Exempt Organization Business Income Tax Return. In this letter, we are not determining whether any of your organization's present or proposed activities are unrelated trade or business as defined in section 513 of the Code.

The law requires you to make your organization's annual return available for public inspection without charge for three years after the due date of the return. You are also required to make available for public inspection a copy of your organization's exemption application, any supporting documents and the exemption letter to any individual who requests such documents in person or in writing. You can charge only a reasonable fee for reproduction and actual postage costs for the copied materials. The law does not require you to provide copies of public inspection documents that are widely available, such as by posting them on the Internet (World Wide Web). You may be liable for a penalty of \$20 a day for each day you do not make these documents available for public inspection (up to a maximum of \$10,000 in the case of an annual return).

Because this letter could help resolve any questions about your organization's exempt status and foundation status, you should keep it with the organization's permanent records.

If you have any questions, please call us at the telephone number shown in the heading of this letter.

This letter affirms your organization's exempt status.

Sincerely,



C. Ashley Bullard
District Director

Date: OCT 26 1982

Employer Identification Number:

34-1369023
Accounting Period Ending:

December 31
Foundation Status Classification:

509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)
Advance Ruling Period Ends:

December 31, 1984
Person to Contact:

Miss Assaff
Contact Telephone Number:

1-800-362-9050 Ext. 4886
Toll Free

Big Brothers/Big Sisters
Association of Allen County Inc.
1174 North Elizabeth Street, Suite 2
Lima, OH 45801

Dear Applicant:

Based on information supplied, and assuming your operations will be as stated in your application for recognition of exemption, we have determined you are exempt from Federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Because you are a newly created organization, we are not now making a final determination of your foundation status under section 509(a) of the Code. However, we have determined that you can reasonably be expected to be a publicly supported organization described in section 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi).

Accordingly, you will be treated as a publicly supported organization, and not as a private foundation, during an advance ruling period. This advance ruling period begins on the date of your inception and ends on the date shown above.

Within 90 days after the end of your advance ruling period, you must submit to us information needed to determine whether you have met the requirements of the applicable support test during the advance ruling period. If you establish that you have been a publicly supported organization, you will be classified as a section 509(a)(1) or 509(a)(2) organization as long as you continue to meet the requirements of the applicable support test. If you do not meet the public support requirements during the advance ruling period, you will be classified as a private foundation for future periods. Also, if you are classified as a private foundation, you will be treated as a private foundation from the date of your inception for purposes of sections 507(d) and 4946.

Grantors and donors may rely on the determination that you are not a private foundation until 90 days after the end of your advance ruling period. If you submit the required information within the 90 days, grantors and donors may continue to rely on the advance determination until the Service makes a final determination of your foundation status. However, if notice that you will no longer be treated as a section 509(a)(1) organization is published in the Internal Revenue Bulletin, grantors and donors may not rely on this determination after the date of such publication. Also, a grantor or donor may not rely on this determination if he or she was in part responsible for, or was aware of, the act or failure to act that resulted in your loss of section 509(a)(1) status, or acquired knowledge that the Internal Revenue Service had given notice that you would be removed from classification as a section 509(a)(1) organization.

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Handwritten notes:
10/26/82
12/21/82

If your sources of support, or your purposes, character or method of operation change, please let us know so we can consider the effect of the change on your exempt status and foundation status. Also, you should inform us of all changes in your name or address.

Generally, you are not liable for social security (FICA) taxes unless you file a waiver of exemption certificate as provided in the Federal Insurance Contributions Act. If you have paid FICA taxes without filing the waiver, you should call us. You are not liable for the tax imposed under the Federal Unemployment Tax Act (FUTA).

Organizations that are not private foundations are not subject to the excise taxes under Chapter 42 of the Code. However, you are not automatically exempt from other Federal excise taxes. If you have any questions about excise, employment, or other Federal taxes, please let us know.

Donors may deduct contributions to you as provided in section 170 of the Code. Bequests, legacies, devises, transfers, or gifts to you or for your use are deductible for Federal estate and gift tax purposes if they meet the applicable provisions of sections 2055, 2106, and 2522 of the Code.

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You are not required to file Federal income tax returns unless you are subject to the tax on unrelated business income under section 511 of the Code. If you are subject to this tax, you must file an income tax return on Form 990-T. In this letter, we are not determining whether any of your present or proposed activities are unrelated trade or business as defined in section 513 of the Code.

You need an employer identification number even if you have no employees. If an employer identification number was not entered on your application, a number will be assigned to you and you will be advised of it. Please use that number on all returns you file and in all correspondence with the Internal Revenue Service.

Because this letter could help resolve any questions about your exempt status and foundation status, you should keep it in your permanent records.

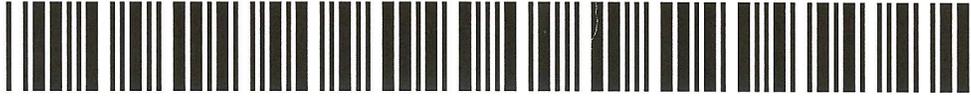
If you have any questions, please contact the person whose name and telephone number are shown in the heading of this letter.

Sincerely yours,

District Director

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DATE:	DOCUMENT ID	DESCRIPTION	FILING	EXPED	PENALTY	CERT	COPY
02/29/2012	201205900581	DOMESTIC/AMENDMENT TO ARTICLES (AMD)	50.00	.00	.00	.00	.00

Receipt

This is not a bill. Please do not remit payment.

BIG BROTHERS BIG SISTERS OF WEST CENTRAL OHIO
122 E. MARKET ST.
LIMA, OH 45801

**STATE OF OHIO
CERTIFICATE**

Ohio Secretary of State, Jon Husted

594224

It is hereby certified that the Secretary of State of Ohio has custody of the business records for
BIG BROTHERS BIG SISTERS OF WEST CENTRAL OHIO, INC.

and, that said business records show the filing and recording of:

Document(s)

DOMESTIC/AMENDMENT TO ARTICLES

Document No(s):

201205900581



United States of America
State of Ohio
Office of the Secretary of State

Witness my hand and the seal of the
Secretary of State at Columbus, Ohio
this 23rd day of February, A.D. 2012.

Ohio Secretary of State



Prescribed by:

The Ohio Secretary of State
Central Ohio: (614) 466-3910
Toll Free: 1-877-SOS-FILE (1-877-767-3453)

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Expedite this Form: (Select One)	
Mail Form to one of the Following:	
<input type="radio"/> Yes	PO Box 1390 Columbus, OH 43216 *** Requires an additional fee of \$100 ***
<input checked="" type="radio"/> No	PO Box 1329 Columbus, OH 43216

**Certificate of Amendment by
Shareholders or Members
(Domestic)
Filing Fee \$50.00**

(CHECK ONLY ONE (1) BOX)

(1) Domestic for Profit <input type="checkbox"/> Amended (122-AMAP)	PLEASE READ INSTRUCTIONS <input type="checkbox"/> Amendment (125-AMDS)	(2) Domestic Nonprofit <input type="checkbox"/> Amended (126-AMAN)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amendment (128-AMD)
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Complete the general information in this section for the box checked above.

Name of Corporation Big Brothers Big Sisters Association of Allen County, Inc.

Charter Number 594224

Name of Officer John B. Neville

Title Executive Director

Please check if additional provisions attached.

The above named Ohio corporation, does hereby certify that:

A meeting of the shareholders directors (*nonprofit only*)

members was duly called and held on January 31, 2011
(Date)

at which meeting a quorum was present in person or by proxy, based upon the quorum present, an affirmative vote was cast which entitled them to exercise 100 % as the voting power of the corporation.

In a writing signed by all of the shareholders directors (*nonprofit amended articles only*)
 members who would be entitled to the notice of a meeting or such other proportion not less than a majority as the articles of regulations or bylaws permit.

Clause applies if amended box is checked.

Resolved, that the following amended articles of incorporations be and the same are hereby adopted to supercede and take the place of the existing articles of incorporation and all amendments thereto.

All of the following information must be completed if an amended box is checked.
If an amendment box is checked, complete the areas that apply.

FIRST: The name of the corporation is: Big Brothers Big Sisters of West Central Ohio, Inc.

SECOND: The place in the State of Ohio where its principal office is located is in the City of:

_____ (city, village or township)

_____ (county)

THIRD: The purposes of the corporation are as follows:

FOURTH: The number of shares which the corporation is authorized to have outstanding is: _____
(Does not apply to box (2))

REQUIRED
Must be authenticated
(signed) by an authorized
representative
(See Instructions)

John B. Neville
Authorized Representative

2/16/2012
Date

John B. Neville
(Print Name)
Executive Director

Mark J. McKinley
Authorized Representative

2-16-12
Date

Mark J. McKinley
(Print Name)
Treasurer