

ESSAY CONTEST!

TOPIC

Think about all the great things you do with your Big Sister or Brother. Tell us your story about what it means to you to have a BIG in your life.

- DEADLINE: **FRIDAY, OCTOBER 26**
- MAXIMUM OF 800 WORDS
- SUBMIT YOUR ESSAY TO **MENTORS@BIGBROTHERS-SISTERS.ORG**
- OPEN TO ALL YOUTH ENROLLED IN BIG BROTHERS BIG SISTERS OF HAMPDEN COUNTY
- LEARN ABOUT THE INSPIRATION FOR THIS MEANINGFUL CONTEST



BY SIMPLY SHARING WHAT YOUR BIG MEANS TO YOU, YOU CAN WIN A SCOOTER FOR YOU AND PAY IT FORWARD BY CHOOSING A LOCAL CHILDREN'S CHARITY TO DONATE A SCOOTER TO.

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PAYING IT FORWARD

Nicholas Cusson's life was cut short due to a car accident this past summer. A major fan of scootering, his Razor scooter was never far from his side, even at 19 years old. Nicholas was a kind young man and always thought of others first. To honor his memory, his sister rallied friends and family asking them to donate a Scooter in his memory. In turn, those donations would be given to Littles enrolled in Big Brothers Bigs Sisters of Hampden County where both Nick's sister and mother had volunteered their time as a Big Sister. The vision is that each child to receive a scooter will help share Nicholas's legacy of "paying it forward" while also providing hours of fun to children in the local community.

In memory of a young man who lived his life "paying it forward," Little's enrolled in Big Brothers Big Sisters of Hampden County are invited to participate in an essay contest. Ten essays will be chosen by a select group of volunteers. The Littles whose essays are chosen will receive two Razor Scooters - one for themselves and one to donate to a local children's charity.



Big Brothers Big Sisters of Hampden County is grateful for the generosity from friends and family of the Cusson family and the Razor Company.

All essays submitted may be used by Brothers Big Sisters of Hampden County.
Credit will be given to the author, using first names only.