

Helping Children Succeed

Tens of thousands of children in the San Joaquin Valley face adversity. Children who have positive role models are more likely to succeed than those who do not.

Your child will spend time with a special friend. Doing fun things together.

Play sports together. Go on a hike. Read books. Eat a pizza with extra anchovies. Laugh. Or just talk.

We partner with you to help your child succeed.



The Children We Impact

Partnering with parents, schools, and agencies, we identify children who need early intervention to avoid falling behind and dropping out. Most children served are in single-parent, low-income families and/or households with a history of parental incarceration.

Children ages 6-14 are first matched with a Big based on interests and preferences and may stay in the program through age 18.

Bigs help Littles dream. And that helps them achieve. Together they start something.



Our Outcomes

Start something™

National research shows that positive relationships between Littles and their Bigs have a direct and measurable impact on children's lives. Landmark research found that Littles, when compared to their non-mentored peers, are:

52% less likely to skip school

46% less likely to begin using illegal drugs

33% less likely to hit someone

In addition, a national survey of adults who participated in our program as children found:

90% agreed their Big made them feel better about themselves

81% say their Big caused them to change what they thought possible in life

77% set higher goals than they would have on their own

42% earned a degree from a four year college compared to just 22% of their fathers and 25% of their mothers

YOU as a parent, volunteer or supporter help make that happen.



Big Brothers Big Sisters
of Central California

Serving youth in Fresno, Kern, Kings,
Madera and Tulare Counties

Vision

All children achieve success in life.

Mission

To provide children facing adversity with strong and enduring, professionally supported 1-to-1 relationships that change their lives for the better, forever.

Accountability

We partner with parents/guardians, volunteers and others in the community and hold ourselves accountable for each child in our program achieving:

- Higher aspirations, greater confidence and better relationships
- Avoidance of risky behavior
- Educational success

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Imagine the Possibilities.
What will **you** start?

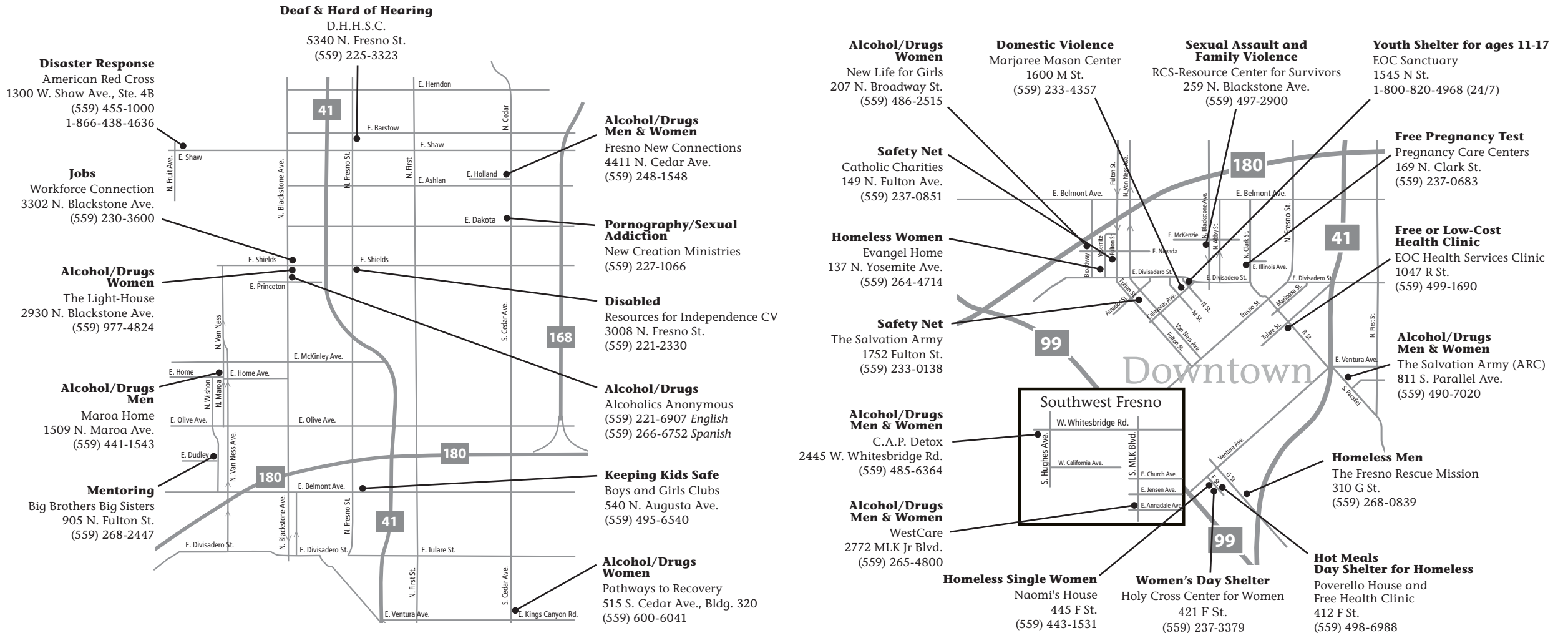
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