



Big Brother Big Sisters of the Bay Area

“When my son was 11 I didn’t want him hanging out on the street corner and joining gangs. I wanted something better.” - Little Ricky’s Mom

San Mateo County match stories



Ya gotta have friends

Seventh grader Karina gets lost in the shuffle. Most of her family doesn’t work. Her father is in jail. Her mother just had another baby. So did her sister, who’s in the 8th grade.

Sometimes it seems like no one’s looking out for her. Except her Big Sister Lorrie.

Karina and Lorrie hang out almost every week - running errands, going to movies, or swimming at the pool in Lorrie’s apartment. Lorrie’s passionate about scrapbooking, so now Karina is too.

“Lorrie is my best friend,” Karina says. She doesn’t feel lost in the shuffle anymore.

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Raaaaar! Brains! Raaaaaar!

Big Brother Anton and Little Brother Victor are doing the coolest thing two guys can do in their spare time - making a zombie movie.

Oh, sure, they go rock climbing and play sports together, too, but ever since Anton got back from Sundance and bought a video camera it’s been zombies.

Anton said he was inspired to discover what a kid can do with a video camera and. . . well. . . Victor’s a kid.

So they started writing a script, then made a story board, and now they’re getting ready to start shooting the movie next week.

When they’re finished, they’ll have a barbecue with all their friends to celebrate - the best way to have a wrap party.

“My Big Brother is awesome!” says Victor.

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