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Sen. Crowell Meets with Big Brothers Big Sisters Representatives of Eastern Missouri

JEFFERSON CITY— Sen. Crowell (R-Cape Girardeau) on April 11, 2007 welcomed to the Capitol local representatives of the Big Brothers Big Sisters of Eastern Missouri. The Big Brothers Big Sisters Organization is the oldest and largest mentoring organization in the country, serving young people nationwide.

Those visiting Senator Crowell in Jefferson City were Regional Director of Development Ellen Carlson, Program Manager Ashley Barnett and School Based Manager Kristen Pender, who all serve the Big Brothers Big Sisters Organization out of the Cape Girardeau location.

"There are an estimated 100,000 young people in Eastern Missouri who are in serious need of a mentor - a Big Brother or a Big Sister," Crowell said. "The people involved with this organization are committed to participating in the collective effort to create educated citizens; safe neighborhoods; healthy families; and a reliable and productive workforce. The Big Brothers Big Sisters mentoring model works because of their commitment to partnering with parents and volunteers, other community organizations and schools."

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Eastern Missouri rallied in Jefferson City on Wednesday to advocate for continued support of their programs and to share with the General Assembly their proven successes. If you or someone you know is interested in volunteering for Big Brothers Big Sisters you can find more information at <u>bbbsemo.org</u>.



Sen. Crowell meets with the Cape Girardeau representatives for Big Brothers Big Sisters in front of the dais on the Senate floor.

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