



GAMS, RealTerm Energy, donate \$18,000.00 to Big Brothers Big Sisters through *Bright Lights Bright Futures* initiative

Niagara Falls, ON, July 21, 2016 – Ground Aerial Maintenance Service Ltd (GAMS), in partnership with RealTerm Energy, presented Big Brothers Big Sisters (Niagara Falls/St Catharines - Thorold and District) with \$18,000.00 in donations, as part of the *Bright Lights Bright Futures* program.



Cheque Presentation: Big Brothers Big Sisters Niagara Falls

Kerry Wilson (RealTerm Energy), Jennifer Roberge (Big Brothers and Big Sisters), Mayor Jim Diodati, Jon Braithwaite (Big Brothers and Big Sisters), Larry Vaughan (GAMS), (Absent: Jim Vaughan, GAMS)



Cheque Presentation: Big Brothers Big Sisters Niagara-on-the-Lake

Kerry Wilson (RealTerm Energy), Jodi Healey (Big Brothers Big Sisters of St Catharines-Thorold and District), Lord Mayor Pat Darte, Larry Vaughan (GAMS), (Absent: Jim Vaughan GAMS)

The Bright Lights Bright Futures program aims to support Big Brothers Big Sisters mentoring programs. In communities where GAMS is replacing street lights with LED lights, GAMS will donate \$1 per light replaced to local Big Brothers Big Sisters mentoring programs. RealTerm Energy generously matched GAMS donation to Big Brothers Big Sisters (For lights converted in The City of Niagara Falls and the Town of Niagara –on-the-Lake) in an effort to see more young children matched with a Big Brother or Big Sister.

As grass roots and community involved businesses, GAMS and RealTerm Energy believe in supporting the communities in which we work. In particular, they recognize the importance mentors play in the lives of young people.

Big Brothers Big Sisters mentoring programs play an important role in the lives of young people across Canada. These programs positively impact the physical and mental health of children involved with a mentor, helping these youth reach more of their potential. Recently, the Boston Consulting Group released a study that demonstrated that the Social Return on Investment (SRI) is \$18 for every \$1 invested in Big Brothers Big Sisters programming.

GAMS has been serving the Niagara Falls and surrounding area since 1967. Family owned and operated, GAMS provides utility and line services across the Niagara Region, is proud to support Big Brothers Big Sisters programming through their initiative - *Bright Lights Bright Futures*.

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