



## Empowering youth, building community

Meet a  
Mentor Match:  
**Brian and  
Landin!**



*“It has been a true joy to watch Landin develop into the caring individual that he is. I cannot believe he will be 16 in a couple weeks! Our 8 years together has forged **an honest and trusting relationship** that will carry Landin into his adult years.”*

—Brian, mentor

### *Dear Friend,*

Supporting our children has never been more important. Youth First Mentoring is celebrating its 25th year in meeting the needs of Central Vermont youth. **Thanks to the dedication of our mentors and the unwavering support of people like you, our youth continue to blossom into confident, responsible, and goal-oriented young adults.** Through mentoring, our mentees gain essential life skills, self-esteem, and a sense of purpose.

We kindly request your continued support in the form of a tax-deductible donation to our Annual Appeal Campaign. Your year-end gift will:

- Allow us to expand our mentoring program to reach more at-risk youth in our community and begin offering mentoring services in Barre
- Provide mentors with the resources and training to enhance their mentoring impact
- Offer enrichment opportunities to our mentees

As you can see in our enclosed Annual Report, your financial support translates into direct one-to-one support for youth.

While we have come a long way, there is still much work to be done. The strain caused by the pandemic and the July flooding has made our mission more challenging than ever. **Together, we can provide young people with the guidance and opportunities they need to overcome obstacles and reach their full potential.**

You can make your contribution by:

- Visiting our website at **youthfirstmentoring** and clicking the “Donate” button
- Sending a **check** payable to “Youth First Mentoring “ in the enclosed envelope
- Scanning **the QR code** at right

With gratitude,

*Diane Derby, Stephen Klein, Garet Allen-Malley,  
Joyce Manchester, Fred Skeels, Deb Wolf, and  
Sally Russell (program director)*

