

KS BBBS Names New Chief Operating Officer

(Wichita, Kan.)Kansas Big Brothers Big Sisters (KSBBBS) announced today that Brandon Russell has accepted the position of Chief Operations Officer, effective March 3, 2014. Russell currently serves as the Assistant Director/Chief Operations Officer of Butler County Emergency Medical Services, a position he has held for 7 years.

Says Dan Soliday, President & CEO, KSBBBS, "Because our strategic plan calls for an increase of 4,000 kids to be served statewide in addition to the 6,000 we currently serve, we knew that we would need a strong leader to help oversee infrastructure-related areas and our programs. I am confident that we have found that person in Brandon."

As COO, Russell will oversee three core areas of KSBBBS: Human resources, Information Technology (IT) and Programs, including quality and growth. Russell holds a masters of public administration as well as a graduate certificate in nonprofit management from WSU, Hugo Wall School of Urban & Public Affairs.

Says Russell, "I cannot think of a greater organization I would rather work for than Kansas Big Brothers Big Sisters. Their mission-mindedness to serve kids facing adversity, along with their projected growth model, is a challenge I am ready to dive into head first. I am eager to begin this journey."

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