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**Goddard Hosts Big Brothers Big Sisters Program**

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Scientists and communicators from NASA Goddard's Solar System Exploration Division and Astrophysics Science Division welcomed 40 members of the Washington D.C. Big Brothers Big Sisters program to NASA Goddard's Visitor Center on Saturday, August 3rd, 2019. Youth and their mentors met 10 NASA professionals from a wide range of jobs and backgrounds and participated in activities featuring the Moon, Mars, meteorites, solar observing, pulsars, and black holes.

Big Brothers Big Sisters pairs adult mentors in the community with youth ages 5 – 18 to help the youth achieve greater confidence, hold themselves to higher standards, avoid risky behavior, and succeed at school.



Ashley Balzer and Vera Demchenko, both summer interns in Astrophysics, demonstrate how to make a pulsar



A big and little brother proudly display their successful Mars Lander



Prabal Saxena speaks about the Moon. Prabal initiated the partnership since he is a Big Brother in the program and a postdoctoral researcher at NASA Goddard