To make the most of your relationship:

Be consistent - Show your Little you think your time together is important.

Be a good friend - Listen, have fun, take time to get to know this new person in your life.

<u>Be involved and participate in agency activities</u> - This connects you with other matches and allows your Little to interact with other youth in the program.

<u>Communicate regularly with your Little, your Little's parent/guardian, and your Match Support</u> <u>Specialist</u>

<u>Work towards a long-lasting relationship</u>. - While we require at least a one year commitment, we encourage and strive for long lasting relationships.

<u>Realize that problems may come up, and be patient</u>: - It's normal for problems to arise in any relationship. - Try to balance your expectations of what it will be like with your Little and be realistic about how long the relationship will take to develop.