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Dear Potential Mentor,

Thank you for expressing interest in Culture Connect, Inc.'s Go-Between¹ Mentoring Program. We are excited to offer a program that is designed to keep issues of **culture** and **language** in mind; therefore we match mentees with mentors from the same country of origin (or ancestry) and with the same language background. This sets us apart from other local and national mentoring programs.

Why Should You Be a Mentor?

- You experienced the difficulty of acclimating to the United States and would like to make the transition easier for someone else.
- You felt pulled between American culture and that of your home culture. Learning your role between two sets of values, traditions, languages, and expectations was challenging and confusing. You want to make this a positive and empowering experience for someone else.
- You want to build a rewarding relationship with a mentee and make a real difference in his/her life.

What are the Requirements? You must:

- Be between 18-50 years old
- Be 1st/1.5/2nd generation immigrant or refugee
- Have reliable transportation
- Speak English fluently
- Speak the target language fluently
- Spend time with your mentee at least twice per month for a minimum of 1 year

We welcome all individuals who are interested in youth, who are good listeners, who are dedicated, and who are willing and committed to share their time and experience as a supportive presence and positive role model in a young person's life.

What is the process?

1. Fill out the mentor application.
2. Interview with us.
3. Undergo a background check and screening.
4. Attend Culture Connect, Inc.'s free Mentor Training.
5. Participate in ongoing supervision.

To become a mentor, please call the Volunteer Coordinator by phone at **(404) 627-4793 x 4** or by email at **volunteer.coordinator@cultureconnectinc.org**. We very much look forward to connecting with you—and helping you to connect with a child or adolescent who needs a mentor!

¹ Definitions:

Go-Between = 1.5 or 2nd generation immigrant/refugee/asylee

1.5 Generation = born in another country and immigrated to the USA as a child or adolescent

2nd Generation = born in the United States to parents who immigrated from another country