



Bolder Options **MENTORING PLEDGE 2016**

I pledge to light a lamp of guidance and support for my young brother, sharing my knowledge and passion for life faithfully, honestly and without prejudice.

I will pass on the virtues of manhood and be a mirror that reflects a future of real possibilities.

I will give of my time and talent, the quality of which is not measured by the quantity of my treasure.

I will shine a light that helps him navigate his realities, become critically aware, and ultimately empowered to confront inequalities and create his own path.

I will guard the sanctity of family, community, and the role a man plays in developing both.

I will instill the pursuit of education and exploration of opportunities as means to avoid the shadows of poverty and incarceration.

I will protect the integrity of Bolder Options and safeguard the trust of the families and youth that I influence.

I will ensure that my young brother knows that I care and will encourage, motivate, and inspire him to the best of my abilities.

I will fan the flame, encouraging other men to be a guiding light during a young brother's rite of passage.

For those who would try to suggest that my young brother is weak and a lesser person because he once stumbled in the darkness and couldn't navigate the crossroads of life on his own, I pledge **NOT ON MY WATCH!**

Be **BOLD**. Be a Mentor.

Take the Pledge at www.bolderoptions.org/NotOnMyWatch
or call a Volunteer Coordinator at 612.379.2653

