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CASA is central to fulfilling society's most fundamental obligation by making sure a qualified, compassionate adult will fight for and protect a child's right to be safe, to be treated with dignity and respect, and to learn and grow in the security of a loving family.



CHANGE A CHILD'S STORY.™



There's no place like hope.

Far too many children in our community still need the powerful advocacy of a CASA volunteer. Serving every child who needs a volunteer is possible with your help.



When a **CHILD'S LIFE** hangs in the balance, we are there.

We see news stories every day about children taken from their home due to abuse or the tragic loss of a parent because of illness, violence or incarceration. We assume there is a program or system in place to care for these children; to make sure they are treated with dignity, given a safe place to live, so they can recover from their hardship and be a child again.

Few people talk about the story behind the story. Although full of well-intentioned and deeply committed people, the overburdened foster care and child welfare systems cannot begin to meet the needs of over 690,000 children in foster care in the United States.

It is the story of a six-year-old girl who has been moved to six group homes and three schools over the past two years. The story of a toddler separated from her brothers and sisters during the most vulnerable time in her life. The story of a child being handed all his belongings in a plastic bag at the age of 18, because he has "aged out" of the system.

It is a story that occurs over and over again in America's foster care and child welfare system.

**We are committed to
serving every child.**

You can help!



The Power of a Caring Adult.

Changing a child's story is possible because a group of trained volunteers, appointed by judges, advocate for these children until their case is closed and they reach a safe, permanent home. Volunteers work with legal and child welfare professionals, educators and others to ensure that judges have all the information they need to make potentially life-changing decisions for each child. These stories have better endings because of people like you.

We are Court Appointed Special Advocates for Children, a volunteer-powered network of committed people—from all walks of life—who believe society has a fundamental obligation to these children. We are people just like you who believe that every child has the right to be treated with dignity, to be safe, and to thrive in the embrace of a loving family.

CASA volunteers change children's lives. Studies have shown, children who have experienced abuse or neglect are far more likely to find a safe, permanent home with a CASA volunteer by their side.

60% of children
in the system
are without the hope of a
CASA VOLUNTEER

**You can help
change the story
of over 400,000
children.**

Volunteer.

This is one cause where the actions of a single individual can have a profound impact. You can be an integral part of the solution. One individual, trained and empowered to ensure that every child can thrive in the safe embrace of a loving home.

Get involved.

Don't have time to volunteer? You can still be a key part of the solution. Connect with us. We'll keep you informed on our progress and share the various ways you can help ensure abused and neglected children have their rights protected, and their future is bright.

Donate.

We have a proven approach; our only challenge is to scale it. Your financial contribution is a sound investment. All donations are tax-deductible and help us expand programs, recruit, and train volunteers.



"To give a child a CASA/GAL volunteer is to give them a voice. To give them a voice is to give them hope, and to give them hope is to give them the world. I believe that with all my heart. I don't know what I'd do without my CASA volunteer. I don't want to know."

— Pamela,
former foster child

