SAVE THE DATE!

Don't miss our 3rd Annual Swing for Survivors, October 12th at Citrus Hills Golf & Country Club. Bigger and better this year! Come out and join us for fun, food and prizes!!! Register Now

Sheriff's Detective Receives Rural Domestic Violence
**Award**

At the 22nd Annual Rural Domestic Violence Statewide Training seminar hosted by Florida Coalition Against Domestic Violence (FCADV) and Saint Leo University, Detective Rachel Montgomery was awarded with the 2019 Mellie McDaniel award.

This award is presented to outstanding law enforcement professionals responding to domestic violence in rural communities.

FCADV honors the memory of Mellie McDaniel, a Victim Advocate in Jackson County, FL who was killed, along with Jackson County Deputy Michael Altman, in a 2007 incident by two men with criminal histories.

Detective Montgomery was nominated by Citrus County Abuse Shelter (CASA) Director, Mrs. Sunshine Arnold. Director Arnold commented in her nomination “Rachel goes above and beyond the call of duty to ensure survivors of domestic violence and their children receive the services and resources they need.”

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**Keller Williams - Red Day**

Thank you to the Keller and Williams crew for giving their time and talents to CASA. Here is what they had to say about their experience:

"Twenty-seven Keller Williams Agents contributed time at CASA Citrus. We are extremely thankful for Sunshine Arnold who allowed us this opportunity to give back to such a amazing organization. A BIG thank you to our awesome sponsors who helped make this day possible: Tim Graff store manager at Lowe's Home Improvement donated the supplies and Ed & Tiffany Williams owners of Accurate Pest Control & Eagle Home Inspections provided drinks and refreshments for our crew!

If you would like to contribute to CASA, please visit their website at https://casafl.org/.
RED Day stands for Renew, Energize and Donate, is our annual day of service. Each year on the second Thursday of May, we celebrate RED Day as a part of our legacy worth leaving. Making a difference in the lives of others and bettering the communities that we serve lies at the heart of the Keller Williams culture. This observance defines who we are and is a natural extension of our commitment to the highest level of professional customer service. It embodies the generous spirit and commitment our associates & their families have to “giving back” to the cities and towns they live and work in."

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**Publix Gives Back!**

These pictures do not do this gigantic donation justice. Thank you to Publix and the generous customers in their Citrus County stores for making this donation to support the CASA shelter!
Shear Sisters Donate

Thank you to the empowered women of Shear Sisters Salon in Inverness for collecting donations for CASA. The salon keeps a convenient donation bin for customers to drop off items for our shelter.

Thanks Rosie

Wow!! Rosie Merchant stopped by to see us today with a huge donation! Thanks to Rosie and her crew at Citrus Insurance Plans, LLC for their donation and support of our shelter!

A Survivor's Success Story

CASA’s Economic Empowerment Program is a vital part of the services offered to survivors of domestic violence through our
Outreach Center, and we love to share when we have a great success story. Recently, through this program, CASA was able to assist a young mother of five escape domestic violence. The young mother came to us with only a few clothes for her and her children. She had no car, no cash and was unemployed with no place to go. After attending and graduating from our Economic Empowerment Classes, "Moving Ahead Through Financial Management," she was able to be proactive in recreating a life for her and her children. This mother was able to secure employment, file income taxes and purchase a vehicle. She received the keys to her new, four-bedroom home last month. With CASA funding, she is now enrolled in a certification class for phlebotomy in order to provide sustainability for their financial future. Through hard work and perseverance, this young mother was able to use all the resources available to her to ensure that she and her children were safe and happy.

We are very proud of her success and are thrilled that we were able to witness it. Her success is CASA's reward for the dedication, training and our constant search for community partners and resources. Together, we are making a difference. That "difference" is saving lives!

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**Individual Donors**

(April-June 2019)

We would like to extend our sincerest thank you to our individual donors for the months of April, May and June of 2019. Without your donations, we would not be able to do the work that we do in the community.

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If you would like to donate to CASA now, you can go to our website casafl.org.