



CASA OF THE BLUEGRASS

Quick Facts

...about CASA Volunteers

- Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) volunteers are trained community members who give their time and experience to represent the best interests of the child in dependency, neglect, and abuse cases
- CASA volunteers are recognized and regulated by Kentucky statute (See KRS § 620.500-.550)
- CASA volunteers satisfy extensive screening and training requirements, including 30 hours of instruction
- CASA volunteers serve at the request of the Court
- CASA volunteers have only 1-2 cases at once

...about CASA Programs

- Local CASA programs in Kentucky are established by the Judge of the Family Court or if none, then the Chief District Judge (See KRS § 620.505)
- Local CASA programs cover 99 counties in Kentucky
- Local CASA programs are governed by a local board and managed by a director
- Local CASA programs train and supervise volunteers

...about Kentucky CASA Network, Inc.

- The Kentucky CASA Network (KCN) is the association for CASA programs in Kentucky
- The KCN's mission is to strengthen and support local CASA programs
- Visit www.kentuckycasanetwork.org to learn more
- State association member of [National CASA/GAL Association](#)

...about CASA Children

- Children with CASA volunteers are more likely to find a safe, permanent home
- Children with CASA volunteers are half as likely to re-enter foster care
- Children with CASA volunteers are more likely to succeed in school
- [National CASA/GAL Association Evidence of Effectiveness](#)

Among a CASAs Duties:

- Visit the child regularly
- Interview relevant parties
- Monitor the child's home environment
- Participate in treatment planning conferences
- Attend hearings
- File Reports
- Help ensure the Court's Orders are being followed
- Stay engaged until the child is in a safe, permanent home