

CASA OF GRAVES COUNTY & SOUTHWEST KY

# ANNUAL REPORT

2022

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# LETTER FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



Dear friends, supporters, and stakeholders of CASA of Graves County & Southwest KY,

CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates) is a volunteer driven program. Those that commit to becoming a volunteer advocate desire to positively impact the lives of children that have suffered abuse/neglect or that are left dependent. As program director I often hear people say that they could not be a CASA, that it would be too hard. Make no mistake, the work is challenging but more than that it is rewarding. CASA Volunteers give children hope. They work diligently to make certain that the child's needs are met while in foster or relative care. They ensure a child's wishes are known while making recommendations that are in the best interest of the child. The reward is seeing a child thrive; seeing a child reunified with their parent(s) or adopted by a loving family.

This past year the Mayfield community was significantly impacted by the December 10, 2021 tornado that not only damaged the building that housed our program office but local government offices including the courthouse, area businesses and churches, and many residential homes including homes belonging to CASA volunteers. The tornado left destruction at an unimaginable level. The outpouring of support for our program and community was equally incredible. Individuals, groups, and businesses from all over the nation donated supplies, money, and time to aid in recovery. Our program was the recipient of many kind and thoughtful gestures and of generous giving. Following the tornado Regions Bank rallied volunteers to help move our office contents to a secure location and stored our belongings until we could obtain office space. A large donation of toys and clothing was received just in time for Christmas distribution helping CASA kids in West Kentucky. Another group of volunteers helped us move into a new building. Individuals and groups from near and far financially contributed to our recovery efforts. Out of the tragedy came a myriad of blessings. It will take years for our community to fully recover but each day we see examples of profound resilience.

In the immediate days that followed the tornado, CASA volunteers checked on their CASA children ensuring their safety and needs were being met. Our amazing volunteers didn't miss a beat. They continued serving. After securing an office and settling in, operations continued in normal fashion. We recruited and trained new volunteers, provided continuing education opportunities, supported current volunteers, and held a Volunteer Appreciation Dinner after a 2 year hiatus due to COVID. We engaged in community outreach and fundraising. We are proud to share that we were selected to receive three of five Kentucky CASA Network's Awards of Excellence: Program of the Year, Program Director of the Year, and Graves County's Judge Deborah Hawkins Crooks earned CASA Judge of the Year. Finally, we closed 2022 with no children waiting for a CASA advocate.

We look forward to 2023 and continuing our work to provide compassionate caring court advocates for children our CASA program is appointed to serve!

Sincerely,

Stephanie Floyd  
Executive Director

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## MISSION

The mission of CASA of Graves County & Southwest KY is to provide trained community volunteers for court appointment to advocate on behalf of dependent, abused, and neglected children in Graves County and Southwest Kentucky.



## BY THE NUMBERS

103

**CHILDREN PAIRED WITH A  
VOLUNTEER CASA**

874

**# OF VOLUNTEER HOURS  
DONATED**

37

**VOLUNTEERS PROVIDED BEST  
INTEREST ADVOCACY & HOPE**

9,897

**# OF VOLUNTEER MILES  
DONATED**

## CORE VALUES

Compassion

Make a Difference

Advocacy

Community

Passion

Credibility

Equality





## FINANCIAL REPORT

July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022

### Revenues & Other Support

|   |                  |
|---|------------------|
| Contributions of cash                   | \$37,280         |
| Contributions of nonfinancial assets    | \$16,737         |
| Fundraising, net of expenses of \$3,753 | \$3,901          |
| Grants/Foundations                      | \$123,425        |
| Other income                            | \$1,536          |
| <u>Interest Income</u>                  | <u>\$15</u>      |
| <b>Total Revenue</b>                    | <b>\$182,894</b> |

### Expenses

|  |                  |
|--|------------------|
| Program Services                         | \$134,202        |
| <u>Management &amp; Support Services</u> | <u>\$10,255</u>  |
| <b>Total Expenses</b>                    | <b>\$144,457</b> |

**Net Assets - End of Year** **\$188,930**



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