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Bring Your Career To Life... And Bring Life To Your Career



CASA of Franklin County
COURT APPOINTED SPECIAL ADVOCATES

- ✓ Help Children
- ✓ Help the Community
- ✓ Build Knowledge & Skills



Join the **CASA** team today to change the tomorrow
of neglected and abused kids

Training classes starting January 2015
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Become a CASA Volunteer!

Court Appointed Special Advocates of Franklin County **Change Lives**



"Being in foster care is living in a constant state of flux. Homes, schools, families...everything is always changing, often suddenly and without warning. The only constant was my CASA volunteer. Without her I would have been lost in the system."
Melissa, FORMER FOSTER YOUTH

The Problem: Overwhelmed Systems



find themselves in the **Franklin County Juvenile Court Systems** annually.



The average child will spend nearly 2 years (20 months) in foster care



On average each child in the system will change homes three times

The Solution: Citizen Volunteers

Court Appointed Special Advocates, trained volunteers who help abused and neglected children find safe, permanent homes.



A wise investment
One year of CASA advocacy costs less than one month of foster care



1 Staff member



Supports 30 volunteers



Serving 75 children

The Results: Brighter Futures



CASA Programs change lives a child with a CASA Guardian ad Litem is more likely to find a safe, permanent home



a child with a CASA Guardian ad Litem is **half as likely to re-enter the foster-care system**



And, they are **more likely to succeed in school** and less likely to spend three or more years in care.

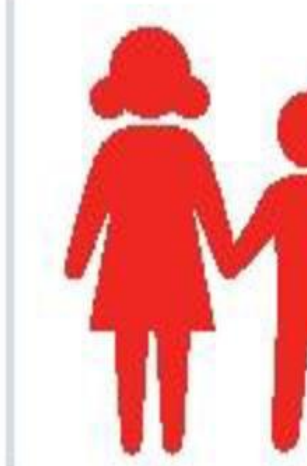
Our Vision: Serving Every Child



260 volunteers serving over **800** child victims of abuse and neglect



In Franklin County, **779** abused and neglected children had a CASA volunteer speaking up for their best interest in the last year



2,500 child victims in Franklin County are waiting for a GAL empowered to find them a safe, loving, permanent home

"No other program provides trained community advocates who can speak up for the best interest of these children. I trust the opinions of the CASA Guardians ad Litem because I have watched them work diligently for these children."

Judge Dana S. Preisse, Franklin County Domestic and Juvenile Court

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