

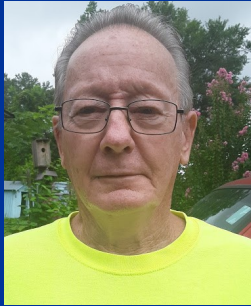
THE CASA ADVOCATE

Court Appointed Special Advocates, A Division of Family and Youth

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Advocate Spotlight



Joe Wright has been a CASA volunteer for over 5 years and has advocated for a total of 11 children over the years.

Joe helped these CASA children achieve permanency that resulted in a total of 3 family reunifications and 2 child adoptions. Joe always goes above and beyond in his advocacy efforts for the families he has served.

Thank you so much, Joe, for everything to do for our CASA children!!

"My favorite part of being a CASA volunteer advocate is seeing my CASA children smile!"

-Joe Wright

Congratulations New CASA Volunteer Advocates!

A big welcome and congratulations to our newest CASA volunteer advocates! With the help of our local Judge, we were able to virtually swear in our newest team members! Thank you all for choosing to dedicate your time to serve our most vulnerable children in our community!



(top left to right) David Duplechian, Michaelynn Parks, Erika Doshier, Denise Oubre. (Middle left to right) Monte Hickingbottom, Margaret Hammett, Judge Mitch Redd, Michele Trahan. (bottom left to right) Shelley Bouillion and Dr. Ken Moss.

CASA DIVISION UPDATE:

Our program is currently serving 91 children across 50 case in our community!

We are now actively seeking new CASA Volunteer Advocates! If you or someone you know is interested in becoming a voice for a child in foster care, please contact michaelynn@fyca.org or call 337-436-9533 for more information.

CASA Volunteer Advocate Trainings will now be offered virtually and monthly! For more information contact Michaelynn.

Also, check out our updated Family & Youth website at fyca.org !



Link: http://www.hunter.cuny.edu/socwork/nrcfcp/downloads/Interviewing_Children_0508.pdf

Interviewing Children: Court Appointed Special Advocates

by : Rosmary Vasquez, LCSW

How is this article relevant to CASA?

As CASA volunteer advocates you visit monthly with your CASA child or children. This article discusses creative ways to talk, interact, and interview your CASA kid based on their developmental stage. It is important for volunteer advocates to fully engage and build rapport with the children we serve so that we can better serve and advocate for their needs!

"Volunteering is an act of heroism on a grand scale. And it matters profoundly. It does more than help people beat the odds; it changes the odds."

William J. Clinton

For more information about CASA, A Division of Family & Youth

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