

A D V O C A T E S   F O R   C H I L D R E N   C A S A



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**CASA**

Court Appointed Special Advocates  
FOR CHILDREN

ADVOCATES FOR CHILDREN

# THE CONSISTENCY OF CASAS

One day, two sisters had to move suddenly from their foster placement. It was a complicated situation, an emotional experience, and an instance where they truly needed a sense of stability. The first person they reached out to was their assigned CASA Volunteer.

**"You have been the only person who has been there at every step, every placement. As long as you are there, it feels like home," they told her.**

Although placements may change, caseworkers may change, or schools may change, their CASA Volunteer will always remain the same. That is their stable place.

**"Visits with my CASA are like my safe spot. It's the only time that I can feel like none of my problems exist."**



# IMPACT LOOKS LIKE...



2,311 CHILDREN SERVED



9,211 HOURS VOLUNTEERED



\$40,923 EXPENSES  
DONATED



81,402 MILES DRIVEN



\$1,651,974 TAX DOLLARS SAVED

IT IS *OUR MISSION* TO IMPROVE THE LIVES OF CHILDREN & YOUTH WHO HAVE EXPERIENCED ABUSE, NEGLECT, OR OTHER LIFE CHALLENGES BY CONNECTING THEM WITH VOLUNTEER ADVOCATES AND ACTIVATING COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS.

IT IS *OUR VISION* THAT ALL CHILDREN *DREAM, THRIVE, AND GROW* WITH A SENSE OF BELONGING AND EMPOWERMENT TO BUILD A SUCCESSFUL FUTURE.

“I AM LEARNING TO *LIVE, NOT JUST SURVIVE.*”  
ANDREW, 18 YEARS OLD



# SUPPORT TAKES MANY SHAPES AND SIZES



*THE MISSION OF ADVOCATES FOR CHILDREN CASA WOULD NOT COME TO LIFE WITHOUT THE SUPPORT OF OUR INCREDIBLE COMMUNITY.*



**DONATE YOUR STOCKS**



**SPONSOR AN EVENT**



**INQUIRE ABOUT EMPLOYER MATCHES**



**ENROLL IN KING SOOPERS REWARDS**



**SET UP A DONOR ADVISED FUND**

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THE CHILD CARE CONTRIBUTION TAX CREDIT CAN PROVIDE A SIZABLE TAX BENEFIT FOR DONORS WHO FINANCIALLY SUPPORT CHARITIES FOCUSED ON THE CARE AND DEVELOPMENT OF CHILDREN IN COLORADO. WHEN A DONATION OF \$500 OR MORE IS MADE TO ADVOCATES FOR CHILDREN CASA, THE CHILD CARE CONTRIBUTION TAX CREDIT MAY ALLOW A DONOR TO CLAIM A TAX CREDIT EQUAL TO 50% OF THE TOTAL DONATION. PLEASE CONSULT WITH YOUR TAX ADVISOR.



**CASA VOLUNTEERS ARE EVERYDAY PEOPLE TRAINED TO ADVOCATE FOR CHILDREN WHO HAVE BEEN ABUSED, NEGLECTED, OR EXPERIENCED A LIFE CHALLENGE.**

**EACH VOLUNTEER MUST GO THROUGH 32 HOURS OF TRAINING BEFORE BEING SWEORN IN BY THE COURT.**



**ADVOCATES FOR CHILDREN CASA BEGAN WITH ONE PROGRAM IN ONE COUNTY. IN 2025, WE NOW HAVE SIX THRIVING PROGRAMS, SUPPORTING CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILIES THROUGHOUT FOUR DIVERSE COUNTIES.**

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### **DEPENDENCY AND NEGLECT**

COURT APPOINTED SPECIAL ADVOCATE (CASA) VOLUNTEERS PROVIDE THE COURT AND OTHER RESPONSIBLE PERSONS WITH INDEPENDENT AND OBJECTIVE INFORMATION REGARDING THE SAFETY, PERMANENCY, AND WELLBEING OF THE CHILD. CASA VOLUNTEERS LEARN OF THE OPPORTUNITIES FOR ADVOCACY BY SPENDING TIME WITH THEIR ASSIGNED CHILD. CHILDREN AND YOUTH INVOLVED IN OUR DEPENDENCY & NEGLECT PROGRAM ARE APPOINTED THROUGH THE COURT SYSTEM. RESEARCH SHOWS THAT 80% OF BRAIN DEVELOPMENT OCCURS WITHIN THE FIRST 1,000 DAYS OF A BABY'S LIFE. THEREFORE, WE KNOW THAT THE EARLIER WE ARE ABLE TO GET INVOLVED WITH FAMILIES, THE HIGHER OUR SUCCESS RATE.

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### **TRUANCY PROGRAM**

OUR TRUANCY PROGRAM ASSIGNS CASA VOLUNTEERS TO CASES THAT ARE OPEN DUE TO UNDERLYING BARRIERS THAT ARE KEEPING CHILDREN OUT OF SCHOOL. THE PURPOSE OF THIS PROGRAM IS TO GET AHEAD OF ANY ISSUES GOING ON AT HOME BEFORE THEY LEAD TO THE NEED TO OPEN A DEPENDENCY & NEGLECT CASE.

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### **JUVENILE DELINQUENCY**

OUR JUVENILE DELINQUENCY CASA PROGRAM ASSIGNS CASA VOLUNTEERS TO YOUTH WITH AN OPEN CASE IN THE JUVENILE JUSTICE SYSTEM. THESE CASA VOLUNTEERS FOCUS ON THE YOUTH'S STRENGTHS AND ACTIONABLE GOALS AS THEY PROVIDE ONGOING SUPPORT AND ADVOCACY.

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## LEGACY PROJECT

OUR LEGACY PROJECT FOCUSES ON SERVING YOUTH BETWEEN THE AGES OF 13-23 WHO NEED SUPPORT IN BECOMING SELF-SUFFICIENT.

THESE YOUTH ARE PAIRED WITH A MENTOR WHO WORKS WITH THEM ON ACQUIRING LIFE SKILLS, GOAL SETTING, AND RESOURCE NAVIGATION WITHIN THE COMMUNITY, SO THEY CAN BECOME INDEPENDENT ADULTS.

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## CASA CONNECTS

CASA CONNECTS, FORMERLY THE DOUGLAS AND ARAPAHOE COUNTY COLLABORATIVE MANAGEMENT PROGRAMS, SERVES DOUGLAS AND ARAPAHOE COUNTY YOUTH, FAMILIES, AND AGENCIES BY PROVIDING A COLLABORATIVE FORMAT TO HAVE A PRODUCTIVE DIALOGUE REGARDING APPROPRIATE, EFFECTIVE, AND EFFICIENT SERVICE, DELIVERY, AND ACCESS. BOTH COLLABORATIVE MANAGEMENT PROGRAMS ALSO SEEK TO BUILD MORE COLLABORATIVE POLICIES AND PROCEDURES ON THE STATE AND LOCAL PLATFORMS.

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## FOUNDATIONS PROGRAM

FOUNDATIONS HELPS CONNECT OLDER YOUTH WITH HOUSING VOUCHERS WHILE PROVIDING MENTORSHIP FOCUSING ON STABILITY AND FINANCIAL LITERACY. THIS NEWEST PROGRAM ADDRESSES A NEED WE OFTEN HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT FOR YEARS, PROVIDING HOUSING SUPPORT FOR YOUNG ADULTS NO LONGER IN FOSTER CARE.

**“BEING ABLE TO CALL SOMEWHERE HOME,  
THAT’S THE BIGGEST THING CASA HAS HELPED  
ME WITH.”**

**THERESA, FOUNDATIONS YOUNG ADULT**

**“I AM SPECIFICALLY THERE FOR THE KIDS – TO LISTEN TO THEM AND TO SUPPORT THEM. THEY KNOW THAT I AM 100% ON THEIR SIDE.”**

**KRISTIN, CASA VOLUNTEER**



## FUNDING SOURCES



## EXPENSES



## TAXPAYER VALUE

INCLUDES NUMBER OF VOLUNTEER HOURS, DOLLARS SPENT DIRECTLY BY VOLUNTEERS, AND THE COST TO SUPPORT A CASA VOLUNTEER

VALUE OF VOLUNTEER HOURS BASED ON INDEPENDENT SECTOR NATIONAL VALUE OF VOLUNTEER CONVERSION

\$320,450.69

DOLLARS SPENT

\$40,923.12

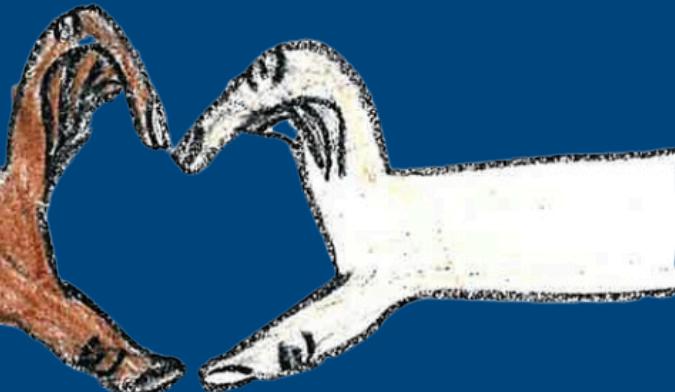
COST TO SUPPORT NUMBER OF CHILDREN SERVED IN THE LAST YEAR (2,311 CHILDREN)

\$1,290,600

TOTAL

\$1,651,973.81

# THANK



# YOU

THANK YOU TO OUR  
VOLUNTEERS, DONORS,  
COMMUNITY PARTNERS,  
AND EVENT SPONSORS  
FOR YOUR TREMENDOUS  
SUPPORT THIS YEAR.

WE CAN'T  
WAIT TO SEE  
WHAT'S IN  
STORE FOR  
2026!



**“MY CASA REALLY LIKES TO CARE  
ABOUT ME.” NICK, 8**



**“MY CASA VOLUNTEER WAS THE ONLY PERSON THAT  
MADE SURE MY BROTHERS AND I GOT TO SEE ONE  
ANOTHER.” SAM, 19**

**“MY CASA HELPED ME FIND MY VOICE.”  
NATALIE, 18**

**“I THOUGHT THAT EVENTUALLY, MY CASA WOULD STOP  
COMING, BUT SHE STILL SHOWED UP EVERY TIME.”  
YASMIN, 18**



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