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**FOR CHILDREN**

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May 2026

## Celebration of Hope





Our Celebration of Hope was truly a special morning filled with connection, inspiration, and a shared commitment to children and families in our community.

We were honored to gather alongside volunteers, supporters, partners, and advocates to celebrate the impact being made through Hall-Dawson CASA and the many lives being changed through advocacy. The event gave us the opportunity to recognize outstanding leaders and volunteers, reflect on meaningful milestones, and share the hope that continues to drive our mission forward each day.

We are incredibly grateful to everyone who attended and helped make our Celebration of Hope such a memorable event. Your support allows us to continue advocating for children who need a voice and working toward brighter futures for the youth we serve.



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# Honoring Dedicated Leadership

## Board Leadership Award

Cindy  
Campbell

Board Treasurer  
Hall-Dawson CASA

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At Hall-Dawson CASA, changing a child's story is truly a team effort. From volunteers and staff to community partners and board members, each person plays an important role in supporting children and families in our community.

This year, we were honored to recognize Cindy Campbell with the Board Leadership Award for her years of dedicated service, thoughtful leadership, and steadfast commitment to our mission. Cindy's impact behind the scenes has helped strengthen our organization and ensure we can continue advocating for children who need an advocate most.

Thank you, Cindy, for the care and leadership you have poured into Hall-Dawson CASA over the years.

Visit our website to learn more about the dedicated leaders helping guide our mission forward.

# Our Impact in Review



**Our Annual Impact Report is here!**

If you haven't had a chance to view it yet, we invite you to take a moment to look at the incredible difference we made together this past year. From meaningful milestones and inspiring victories to the everyday moments that changed children's lives, this report reflects the impact that is possible when a community comes together for children.

We are proud to share the stories, growth, and progress made possible by our volunteers, supporters, partners, and advocates who continue to believe in the mission of Hall-Dawson CASA.

Visit our website to view the full Impact Report!

[VIEW ANNUAL IMPACT REPORT](#)

# From Advocacy to Permanency

Permanency is central to our mission at Hall-Dawson CASA.

We are pleased to share that in April, five children achieved safe, permanent homes with the support of our volunteers.

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CHILDREN  
ACHIEVED  
PERMANENCY



Thank you to the following CASA volunteers appointed to 5 children who achieved permanency in April 2026:

Wanda K. – 1 child- Guardianship  
Vickie S. – 2 children- Adoption  
Leslee R. & Keyla S. – 2 children – Adoption

# A Monumental Milestone

This month, Hall-Dawson CASA reached a monumental milestone—we were assigned our 3,000<sup>th</sup> case. What began with Case #1 in January of 1989 has grown into decades of advocacy, compassion, and unwavering commitment to children in our community. Over the years, CASA volunteers have stood beside thousands of children experiencing foster care due to abuse or neglect, ensuring their voices were heard and their best interests remained the priority.

*But this milestone is about far more than a number.*

Three thousand cases represent thousands of children whose stories mattered. It represents moments of hope, stability, encouragement, and connection during some of the most difficult seasons of a child's life. It represents volunteers who showed up consistently, advocates who fought fiercely, and a community that chose to care deeply for its most vulnerable children.

**3,000**  
*cases and counting*

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**As the number of children entering foster care continues to grow, so does the need for compassionate community members and partners willing to stand alongside us in this work.**

Take the first step toward becoming a CASA volunteer today and help us continue changing children's stories—one case at a time.

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# Celebrating Our Supporters

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**THANK YOU**

A heartfelt thank you to the sponsors and supporters who helped make this year's Celebration of Hope possible. Your generosity and commitment to children and families in our community allow Hall-Dawson CASA to continue advocating for children experiencing foster care due to abuse or neglect.

Because of supporters like you, children have a voice, volunteers have the resources they need, and hope continues to grow throughout our community.

This work is only possible because of a community willing to stand with us. If you would like to help continue changing children's stories, we invite you to make a gift and support the mission of Hall-Dawson CASA today.

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# Volunteer Spotlight



**Gert R.**

HOW CAN I VOLUNTEER

## Meet Gert

After 7.5 years of dedicated service, Gert is retiring from CASA, leaving behind a legacy of compassion, advocacy, and unwavering support for the children and families she served.

During her time as a CASA advocate, Gert made a lasting impact in the lives of 21 children, offering them consistency, encouragement, and a voice when they needed it most. She shared that some of her most meaningful moments came from attending Family Treatment Court graduations — touching celebrations that reflected just how far families had come in their journey toward healing and stability.

Gert has always been deeply passionate about helping children and families work toward a better life. In her own words, CASA volunteers do this work “to help children know that they are loved, accepted, and belong.”

Her supervisor shares...

*“She makes personal connections that are deep and lasting. It is easy to tell that her families love her, and I am grateful to watch her work with such energy and compassion.”*

-Jason Hewett, Advocate Supervisor

Thank you, Gert, for the countless hours, the fierce advocacy, and the heart you have poured into this mission over the years. We are incredibly grateful for your service and wish you all the best in your retirement!

# Mental Health Matters



We're  
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for Mental Health



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OUT.

May is Mental Health Awareness Month, and we are joining [United Way of Hall County's #HallGoesGreen](#) campaign to help spread the word that mental health matters for all of us. 1 in 5 people will experience a mental health condition in any given year, and everyone is affected by mental health in some way.

**Your Mental Health Matters!**

Learn more and find resources in Hall County.

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