CASA
Court Appointed Special Advocates
FOR CHILDREN

HALL-DAWSON
CASA PROGRAM, INC.

# THE GUARDIAN




## March 2026

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# Celebration of Hope




**Questions? Contact Joy Green**

**Please RSVP by April 14th**

QUESTIONS RSVP

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# Join Us For

# Coffee With CASA



Join us on Wednesday, April 8, 2026 at **The Little House** from 8:30am-9:30am for Coffee with CASA to learn how you can

## Change A Child's Story

CASA volunteers ensure that every child experiencing foster care in our community has the right to a safe and permanent home.

**Questions? Email Tracy Verrigni: tracy@halldawsoncasa.org**

CHANGE A CHILD'S STORY.™

**RESERVE A SEAT**

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# Partners In Purpose

TREESORT

We are grateful to recognize **Treesort** as one of our valued *Partners in Purpose*. Their support of Hall-Dawson CASA reflects a genuine commitment to strengthening our community and standing beside children who need an advocate.

Treesort has supported CASA not only through financial contributions, but also through thoughtful acts of generosity and engagement. During the holiday season, when a need arose for gift cards for teens in foster care, Treesort stepped forward to help ensure the teens we serve felt seen and supported during what can often be a difficult time.

In addition, Treesort recently hosted a CASA volunteer recruitment event for their residents, creating an opportunity to share about the important work of advocacy for children in foster care. Through their hospitality and encouragement, new volunteers have stepped forward to begin the journey of becoming CASA advocates.

We are deeply thankful for Treesort's partnership and their dedication to making our community stronger. Support like theirs helps ensure that more children have someone firmly in their corner when they need it most.

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# Volunteer Appreciation Banquet







This past Saturday, we gathered for our annual Volunteer Appreciation Banquet—a meaningful time each year to pause and celebrate the individuals who help make our mission possible. The morning was filled with laughter, connection, and reflection as we recognized volunteers through awards and shared in the joy of serving together. Moments like these remind us of the incredible community that surrounds and supports the children we advocate for.

We are so grateful for the dedication, compassion, and commitment our volunteers bring to this work every day. Their willingness to stand beside children and speak up for their best interests continues to make a lasting impact in our community.







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# From Advocacy to Permanency

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

We are pleased to share that in February, 11 children achieved safe, permanent homes with the support of our volunteers.




**Thank you to the following CASA volunteers appointed to 11 children who achieved permanency in February 2026:**

Dawn C. – 1 child- Adoption
Gail L. – 3 children- Reunification
Allison L.- 3 children- Family preserved
Karen A. – 1 child- Reunification
Wanda K. – 3 children- Adoption

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# Your IRA Can Change A Child's Story

## Help Our Community's Most Vulnerable Children Through Your IRA




**www.HallDawsonCASA.org**
**~770-531-1964~**
**P.O. Box 907471, Gainesville, GA 30501**

If you're 70½ or older, you can make a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD) from your traditional IRA to Hall-Dawson CASA — a powerful, tax-smart way to make a lasting difference.

Talk to your financial advisor about making a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QDC) today.

**QUESTIONS? EMAIL JOY GREEN**

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# Volunteer Spotlight



# Jodi M.

HOW CAN I VOLUNTEER

## Meet Jodi

When asked to describe CASA volunteering in a short phrase, Jodi chose *"being the voice children rightfully deserve."* For her, that phrase captures the heart of what CASA means—ensuring that children navigating the family court system have someone firmly in their corner.

Jodi was inspired to become a CASA volunteer after seeing firsthand how deeply children need consistent support during difficult and uncertain times. She believes CASA is about far more than advocacy—it's about building trust, showing reliability, and forming life-changing connections with the children we serve.

One moment that has stayed with her was realizing the first time the children she advocates for truly understood they could depend on her. That moment of trust, when a child recognizes that someone will continue to show up for them, reaffirmed for Jodi just how powerful those relationships can be.

As Jodi approaches her one-year CASAversary, she has already made a meaningful impact for the children she serves, embodying the compassion, consistency, and dedication that CASA volunteers bring to their advocacy every day.

Jodi's supervisor shares:

*"Jodi's dedication and kindness make such a difference. As a CASA, she gives her time and energy so freely, always showing up with a generous spirit and a smile that brightens everyone's day. The care she puts into every task, no matter how big or small, influences so many children experiencing foster care. We're incredibly thankful she leads by example and proves that one person's heart can touch so many lives."*

– Kristin Peppel, Advocate Supervisor

**We are so grateful for advocates like Jodi who continue to show up for our community's most vulnerable children.**

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