

THE GUARDIAN

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Our Mission for Permanency

Our mission is to ensure children who have experienced abuse or neglect have the right to a safe placement and permanent home.

We are thrilled to share that in January, 6 children found permanency thanks to the dedication of our CASA volunteers!



Thank you to the following CASA Volunteers appointed to 6 children who achieved permanency in January 2025:

Cynthia C. – 2 children- Reunification

Cynthia C. – 2 children- Guardianship

Crystal A. – 2 children- Family Preserved

Community Spotlight: George & Starlet Jones



"I support CASA because I believe children in foster care need an advocate who will look out for their best interests. CASA volunteers are with these children as they go through many life changes. They provide guidance that helps children find success in their present and future lives"

-Starlet Jones, Former CASA volunteer

Cocoa with CASA



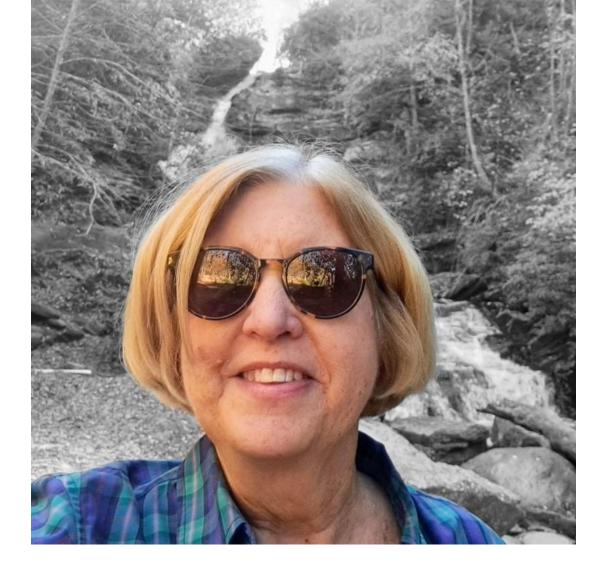




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CASA Volunteer Spotlight



"I have been a CASA volunteer for the past 2 ½ years. It is one of the most rewarding volunteer roles I have had in my lifetime. I have enjoyed my role as a CASA, working with older youth. I feel that many volunteers may find it difficult to work with this age group. However, my previous work experience before retiring and becoming a part of the CASA family involved working with middle schoolers, high schoolers, and college students. It's a calling for me and an honor to serve our older youth.

I am currently working with a young woman who is in college. She has been in the foster care system for the past nine years. It is a joy to work with her as she navigates college and prepares for her future career. She is studying psychology and hopes to be a therapist someday, working with foster care youth. I feel that I can make a difference in her life.

In addition to being a CASA volunteer, I am a wife, mother, and grandmother of two young children, ages 7 and almost 3. I am involved in my local church as a care team leader and a Stephen Minister for members of our congregation. I enjoy traveling with my husband and friends, hiking, reading, and photography.

The Hall-Dawson CASA Program needs more volunteers to serve children and youth of all ages. They provide training and ongoing support for CASA volunteers. I hope my story encourages you to consider volunteering for CASA—it may be the best volunteer role you ever have!"

CASA volunteer

Hear more from CASA volunteers below

THE VOICE OF A VOLUNTEER

Change A Child's Story

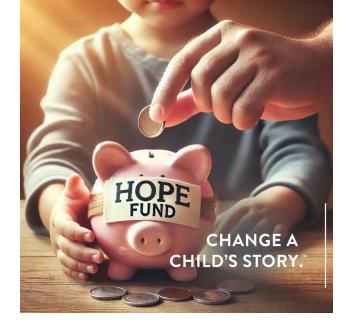
There is more than one way to Change a Child's Story. While not everyone can become a CASA volunteer, every contribution makes a difference. Your time, your voice, and your generosity can offer HOPE to children experiencing foster care because of abuse or neglect.

Whether you give time or financial support, you are helping to Change A Child's Story.



"Children are our greatest treasure. They are our future."

-Nelson Mandela



"No one has ever become poor by giving."

- Anne Frank

Children experiencing foster care need consistent adults in their lives to ensure they have a promising future in a safe, permanent, loving home.

SUBMIT AN INQUIRY FORM

Your donation helps provide trained CASA volunteers who advocate for children experiencing foster care because of abuse or neglect, ensuring they receive the support they need.



Will you help Change A Child's Story?

Questions? Contact Tracy L. Verrigni at tracy@halldawsoncasa.org

By the Numbers 2024: CASA's Commitment



In 2024, CASA volunteers completed 2,587 child visits in our community.





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