

## Friends of CASA

### Savannah/Chatham County CASA

---

#### *What is Friends of CASA?*

*Friends of CASA* invests in the local CASA program by providing essential resources, training, and funding. They are a group of interested and concerned community members who support the vision and mission of Savannah/Chatham CASA.

Savannah/Chatham CASA envisions every child having a permanent home. We do this by providing funding for the program and volunteers in these key areas:

- Help kids who are victims of abuse and neglect by paying for necessities not afforded them – things like summer camps, school supplies, clothing, athletic shoes and pool passes. Things that go a long way to making them feel less like victims and more like every other kid.
- Support the CASA volunteers who advocate for the children in court by defraying training costs and other expenses.
- Increase public awareness of the problem of child abuse and neglect in Geauga County through various programs and events.
- Assist the office in meeting needs such as storage bins for donations, filing cabinets and other supplies or equipment necessary to support the needs of our volunteers and children we serve.

*Friends of CASA* is led by an all volunteer advisory committee and is funded through private donations.

- *Friends of CASA* support CASA's goal to recruit and support volunteer advocates through fundraising activities and raising awareness.
- Serves as an Advisory Committee of the Board of Directors to support the programs and initiatives of Savannah/Chatham CASA such as annual volunteer appreciation events, countywide program advertising, and all volunteer retention efforts.
- As a *Friend of CASA* you can join one of CASA's fundraising event committees, or create your own event such as hosting a dinner party, having a benefit yard sale.
- *Friends of CASA* can collectively provide creative ideas, organizational expertise, as well as help raise awareness, funds and networking opportunities for the organization.

#### *Hosting an Event -*

This allows you to work around your own schedule and still support the work of CASA for children of Chatham County. You can do this by yourself or by enlisting the help of co-workers, your own community, family members or friends.

#### *About Ambassadors of CASA*

*Ambassadors of CASA* was developed to answer the request of individuals under the age of twenty-one (21) that want to contribute to the overall welfare of our children in the justice system on an as needed basis. The minimum age to join is fourteen (14). This membership group is a supportive extension to the Board of Directors, staff, and volunteer advocates by assisting with office projects and duties, fundraisers, and special initiatives. More importantly, membership to *Ambassadors of CASA* gives you a gratifying feeling about promoting the cause of CASA through your dedication and service.

**Membership Level**

◆ Individual membership- Free . Members are asked to recommit on an annual basis.

**Join Friends of CASA and make a meaningful difference in the lives of the children we serve!  
Return the form below to our office TODAY!**

**Application Form**

Name:

<i>Last</i>	<i>First</i>	<i>Middle</i>
Company/Business Name (if applicable):		
Email Address:		
Mailing Address:		
City:	State:	Zip Code:
Daytime Phone:	Evening Phone:	Cell Phone:

**Interests**

Please select the area(s) you wish to serve:

<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Special Events</b> Planning & implementation of special events and annual events for the program.	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Public Relations &amp; Marketing</b> Assisting with web design, graphic design, and other areas of need for program and special events.
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Hospitality</b> Hosting for trainings, in-services, and other volunteer-based meetings or events by providing refreshments for our advocates.	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Children’s Voice</b> Assist with child-focused projects such as the donations and assembling of school supplies or holiday gift giving.
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Host an Event</b> Fundraise to support the volunteer recruitment and management aspects of our program for vulnerable children in our local community.	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Volunteer Recruitment</b> Share marketing materials about CASA in the community and our story by recruiting additional volunteers to support our cause.
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Ambassadors of CASA</b> I am under the age of 21 and would like to support CASA by becoming an Ambassador.	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Other (Please Specify):</b>

**Availability**

When are you available to help?

<input type="checkbox"/> Days	<input type="checkbox"/> Evenings	<input type="checkbox"/> Days & Evenings
-------------------------------	-----------------------------------	--



*Savannah/Chatham CASA is proudly supported through funding from Georgia Department of Human Services - Promoting Safe & Stable Families, Criminal Justice Coordinating Council –State of Georgia, United Way of the Coastal Empire, National CASA, Georgia CASA and direct public support.*