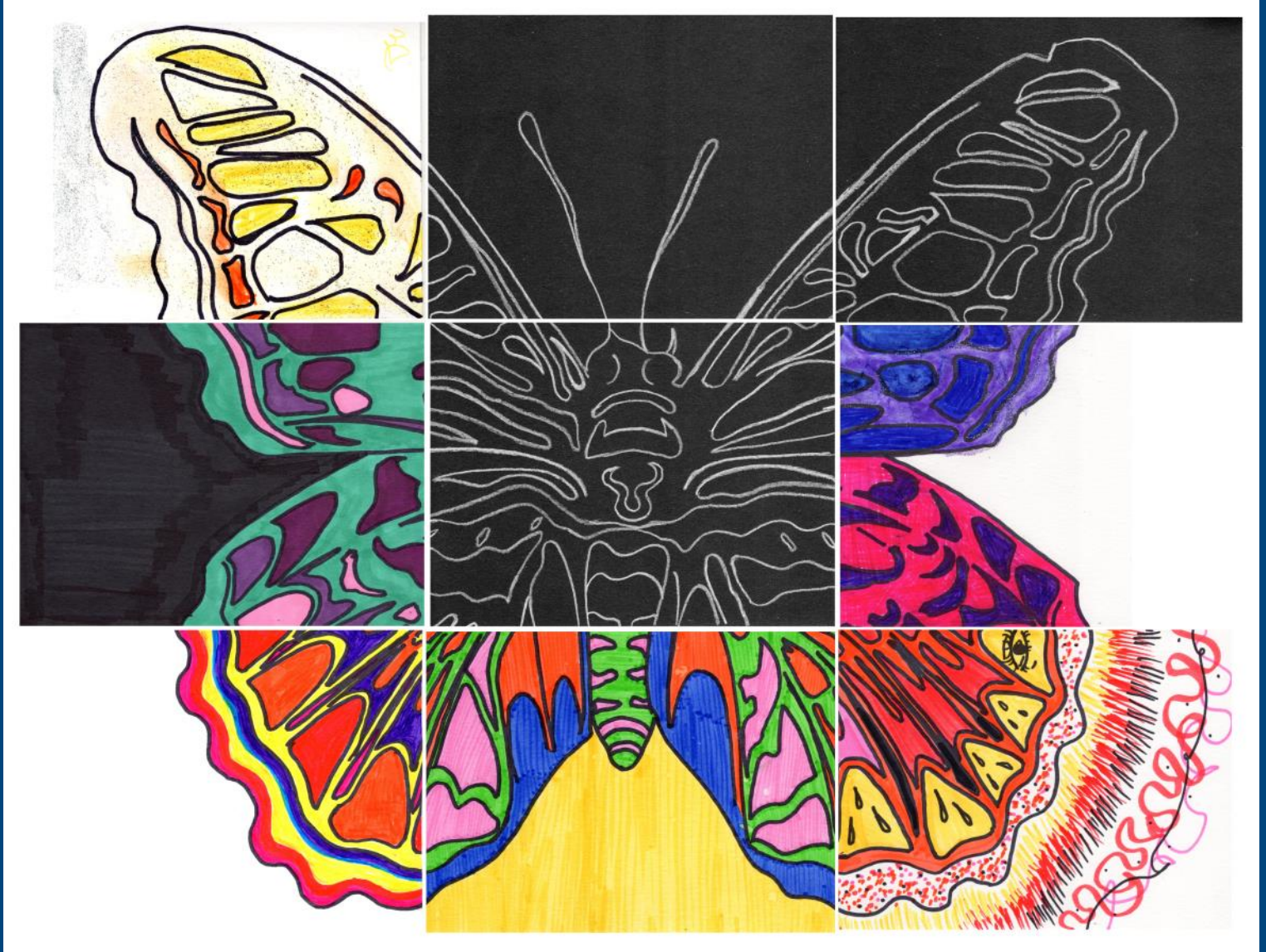




**CASA**

Court Appointed Special Advocates  
**FOR CHILDREN**

**SACRAMENTO COUNTY**



# CASA Sacramento

## 2020/2021 Annual Report

## Dear CASA Sacramento Friends and Family,

After all of these years, we are still inspired.

Court Appointed Special Advocate Volunteers have duties to perform on their assigned case. They build many good relationships with teachers, social workers, families, doctors, therapists and people all around the community. Sometimes those relationships are easy because everyone who works with children wants what is best for children.

Sometimes the relationships are hard because, as every family knows, we don't always agree on what is best for children.

But within the parameters of trying to give every child the childhood they deserve, extraordinary things happen.

A CASA Volunteer chose to spend a few hours on Christmas taking a kid to the movies, because the kid was without family on the holiday.

After many months of practical work on a case, a CASA Volunteer applied for Making Memories funds to get youth the video game he has had his heart set on.

A CASA Volunteer spent hours making life-saving phone calls to get a young woman out of danger and to a hospital.

We talk about Court Appointed Special Advocates speaking on behalf of our youth, but it never stops inspiring us to hear the big and small ways they are seeing the children who need to be seen.

CASA Volunteers do this service for the individual youth and for the Sacramento Community. It is our honor to do our part to make sure the program has the resources it needs to keep those Volunteers trained and equipped to do the work.

Our second pandemic year was not easy, but with our dedicated Volunteers, Board of Directors, Staff and Donors, we were able to protect the quality of the program that has touched so many lives over the last 30 years. As you look through the pages of this report, we hope you feel inspired by all those who have done their part to change a child's story.

### With gratitude,

**Alan Wolf**  
Board President



**Carol Noreen, JD**  
Executive Director

About the cover image:

#### **CASA Youth Art Piece, "Incomplete Butterfly"**

The 9 pieces of this art project were given to CASA youth to complete. All of the youth wanted to participate, but 3 pieces did not return. Instability impacts a child's ability to perform in school, make meaningful friendships and ultimately to build an adult life.

Every tile that is complete exemplifies the ability of children in foster care when they have what they need. But this work of art is as much about the sections that are missing as it is the pieces that are complete. Court Appointed Special Advocates exist so that children in foster care are given the support, resources and stability to shine.

When you look at this piece, we ask you to imagine the world we would have if every child had what they needed to live up their potential.

### **The CASA Mission**

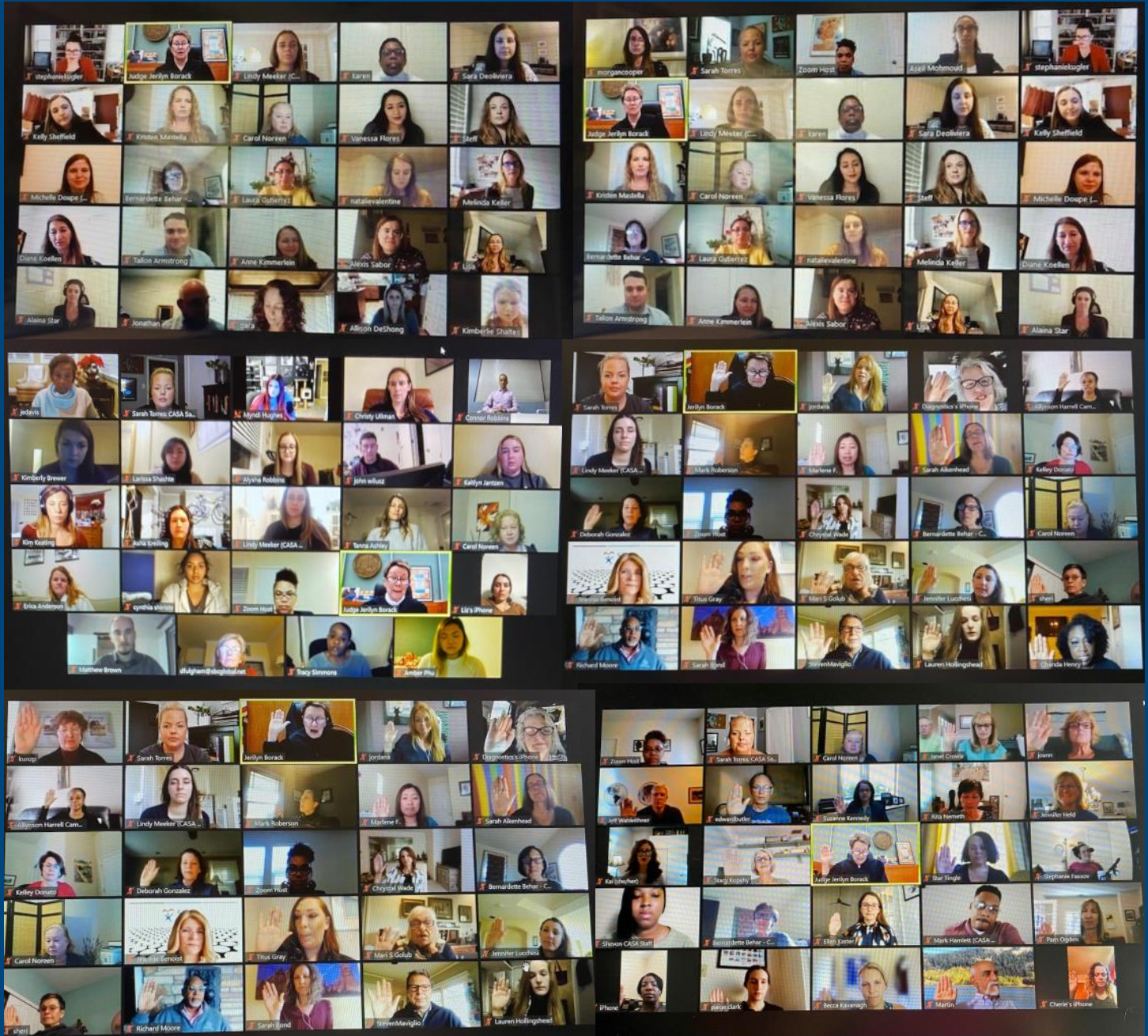
Ensuring consistency and support for children in the foster care system through the use of volunteer advocates advancing the best interests of each child.

### **The CASA Vision**

Every child in need is appointed a CASA to champion them in Court, without compromise, on the path to a safe and permanent home.



## WELCOME TRAINING CLASSES 89, 90, 91 AND 92



**CASA Volunteers:**  
**INVESTIGATE** barriers to success in foster care  
**ADVOCATE** to improve current services  
**MENTOR** youth  
**REPORT** progress to the dependency judge  
**MONITOR** the case

Youth referred to the CASA program spent an average of 122.8 days waiting to be matched with a CASA Volunteer.

# 2020/2021 PROGRAM IMPACT



**297** foster children served

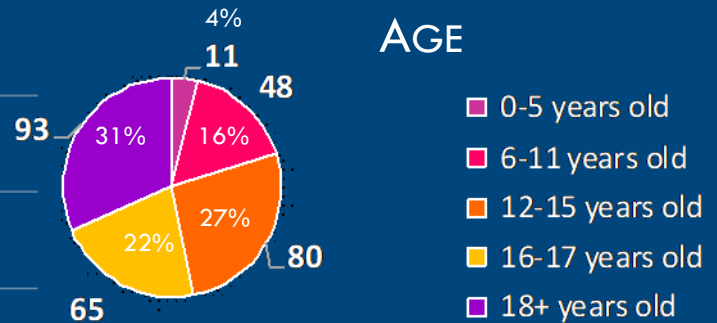
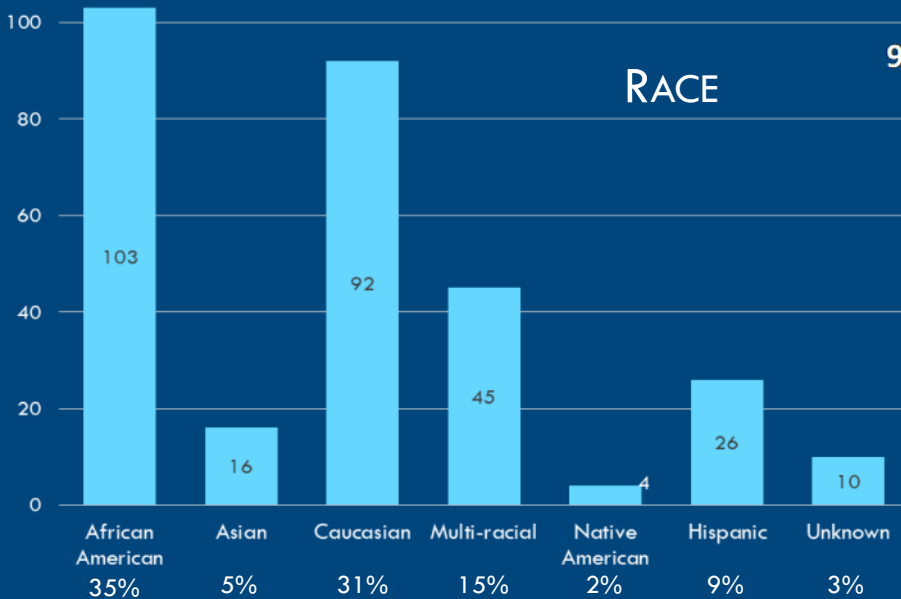
**11,804** volunteer hours contributed\*

**78** new volunteers trained

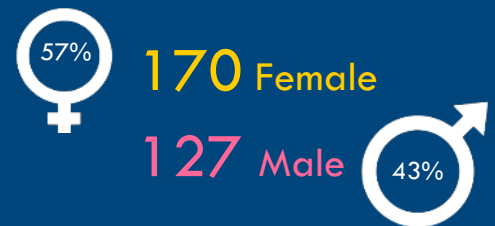
**269** active volunteers

\* This is a value of \$395,552 in service at the current volunteer rate of \$33.51/hr

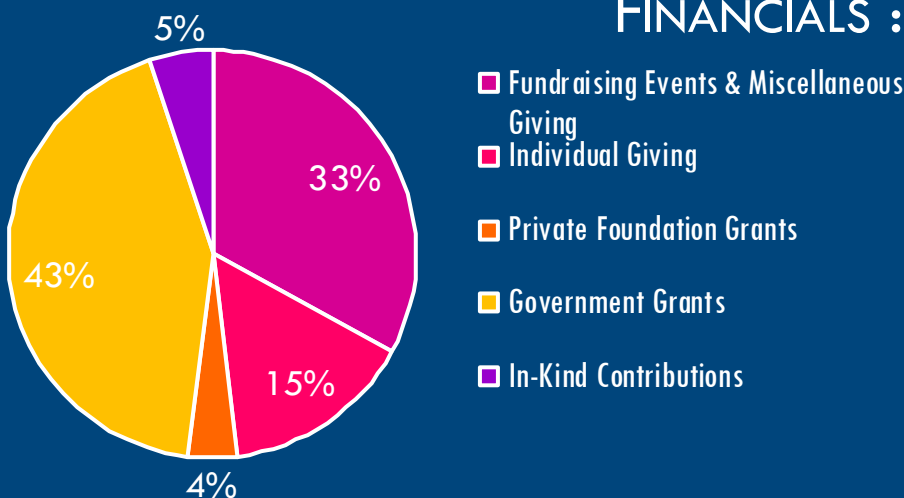
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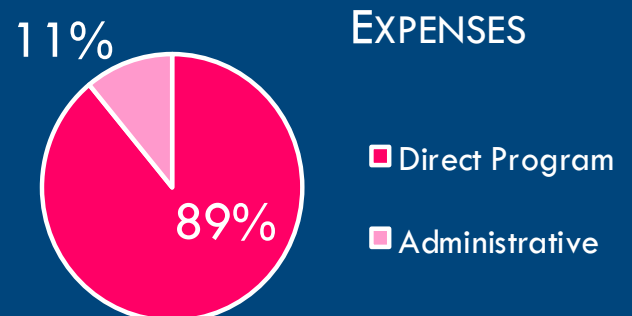
## GENDER



## FINANCIALS :



REVENUE: \$1,409,574



EXPENSES: \$1,061,094



# COVID-19 Response

The CASA Sacramento program has been fully operational during COVID-19. CASA Volunteers have written court reports throughout shelter in place orders. They have been asked to make phone or video contact at least weekly to ensure that children were safe, cared for, receiving educational resources and emotional support. Newer volunteers were challenged with trying to establish a relationship at a distance, and experienced CASAs were challenged with needing to adapt their routines for distance mentoring and advocacy.

CASA Sacramento local foster youth cases were deeply impacted by COVID-19 school closures. Special education/emotional disturbance testing was interrupted, lack of technology to access remote learning continues to be a problem and less remote learning is being offered to special classes. Older youth (18-20 year olds) lost job opportunities and income. Because of COVID-19, service providers moved online, resulting in halted healing and escalated behaviors. The stress of distance learning on foster parents caused placement changes.

It will take years of concentrated, individualized CASA attention to help our most vulnerable foster youth recover from the obstacles they are facing today, so we need to match the youth on our waitlist with a CASA as soon as possible. CASA Sacramento is attempting to overcome all of these barriers with one-on-one advocacy and increase opportunities for youth in foster care.



## Recruiting Volunteers & Education of Public

CASA Sacramento actively recruits volunteers from all backgrounds in an effort to adequately represent the demographics of the youth population that we serve. This past year, our recruiting efforts have been hampered due to COVID-19, but we continued to look for resourceful ways to remain present in the community, such as local television advertising, a K-Love radio conversation, and increasing our social media footprint. All volunteer orientations were moved online, resulting in an increased attendance capacity.

**367** people attended a volunteer orientation





CASA Sacramento's Diversity and Inclusion Committee, formed in June of 2020, aims to create stronger and more collaborative ways to address the systemic oppression of others based on their ethnicity, race, gender, religion, sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, country of origin, age, or disability.

## 2020 Highlights

**August – Staff Trainings.** Series focused on race, gender identity and expression, xenophobia, and socio-economic inequality, with a goal of self-awareness and reflection leading to personal growth and action.

**September – CASA Volunteers.** In-service training focused on race: A Conversation with Dr. Michael Eric Dyson and Dr. Robin DiAngelo.

**October – Youth Forum.** Youth-led discussions focusing on law enforcement, distance learning, COVID-19, changes they'd like to see in society, changes they'd like to see in the foster care system, how to implement those changes, and what the CASA program can do.

**November – Staff, CASAs, Youth, and Board of Directors.** Community Forum addressing the intersectionality of race, sexual orientation, education, and health care. Panel included Darryl White, Chair of the Black Parallel School Board; Koby Rodriguez, Chief Program Officer of the Sacramento LGBT Community Center; and Sade Daniels, Curriculum and Training Director of the California Youth Connection.

## 2021 Trainings

**February – Recognizing Black History Month.** Staff and Volunteer training on *"The History of Policing"*

**April – A deeper dive into policing youth of color.** Staff and Volunteer training on *"The School to Prison Pipeline"*

**June – Recognizing Pride Month.** Staff and Volunteer training on *"Transgender Awareness"*



Danielle Keys, Training & Recruitment Manager, has joined with National CASA as a facilitator in their Book Club series which provided opportunities for professional development for staff and CASAs and a safe space for reflection, learning, and authentic dialogue as we explored race and racist ideas in America through the following books: *Stamped From the Beginning* by Ibram X. Kendi, *The Color of Law* by Richard Rothstein, *Between the World and Me* by Ta-Nehisi Coates, and *So You Want to Talk About Race* by Ijeoma Oluo.

## 2021 Diversity & Inclusion Committee Members

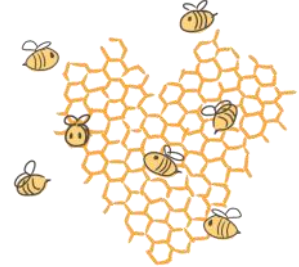
Michael Butler - CASA Volunteer  
Xuan Chung - CASA Volunteer  
Kelley Donato - CASA Staff, Senior Case Supervisor  
Danielle Keys - CASA Staff, Training & Recruitment Manager  
Dani Wogulis - CASA Staff, Development Coordinator



# The CASA Beehive

The CASA Beehive is a peer-led community group of CASA Volunteers, here to support each other in the important work of youth advocacy. The Beehive coordinates Caring for CASAs, a monthly gathering for CASAs to share their stories, seek advice, and share wisdom with the group.

**This year, the CASA Beehive hosted 10 virtual Caring for CASAs gatherings attended by 93 volunteers.**



## Peer Coordinator Program

The 2020-2021 Peer Coordinators have been a tremendous support to the CASA program. During the year, four Coordinators have served six youth and four advocates. They provided their new advocates with individual instructions on preparing Court Reports, planning for Child Family Team meetings, and tips on how to navigate their cases. In addition, the Peer Coordinators were vital sources of strength and a calming presence for advocates attending Court for the first time.

Our Peer Coordinators also attended Staff meetings with CASA supervisors. Their ideas and contributions have been invaluable, and they have been recognized as part of the CASA team.

The Sacramento CASA Peer Coordinator Program goals for 2021-2022 include adding one to three more advocates to the existing Peer Coordinators' case load. We also hope to train a new set of Peer Coordinators so that they can begin their service.

All of us at Sacramento CASA heartily commend our Peer Coordinators. After all, "For every ten that watch, only one comes forward to help. Today, as on many occasions before, they were that unique and selfless individual." We thank them for being tireless volunteers and for setting an excellent example of service.



**LGBTQ youth** are over-represented in the child welfare system, and disproportionately likely to leave foster care without a permanent family. Many of these youth experience neglect, abuse, and/or abandonment specifically because of their sexual orientation or gender identity.

All Children – All Families (ACAF), a project of the Human Rights Campaign Foundation, promotes LGBTQ inclusive policies and affirming practices among child welfare agencies, and formally recognizes those agencies that are leading the field with innovative approaches to inclusion. This August 2021, CASA Sacramento will be recognized in the All Children-All Families "Change-Makers in Child Welfare" report for achieving the Solid Foundation for Inclusion Tier of Recognition.



# Celebrating 30 Years of Advocacy in Sacramento

**IMPACT SINCE 1991:**  
3,664 foster children served by  
1,751 volunteers

Richard.Gucciardo  
Deborah.Gonzalez Doris.Fulgham  
Allyssa.Grierson  
Denise.Field Mei.Lin.Jackson  
Valeri.Gonzales Danielle.Keaton Michelle.Irvine  
Wendy.Gonzales Rebecca.Hofman Stacy.Anderson  
Mari.Golub Valerie.Brooks Jeaneen.Cruz  
Laura.Gutierrez Melinda.Keller Paige.Clark  
Spenser.Goodwin Allynson.Harrell-Camarillo Lauren.Barton Monica.Zarazua  
Brittnee.Gillespie Douglas.Bolsover Lisa.Dupre Mary.Van.Hoomissen  
Elizabeth.Franklin Steffanie.Bledsoe Kelly.Sheffield Jordana.Warner Natasha.Kriske Jamara.Hutton  
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Patty.Estopinal Sharon.Holgerson Joann.Driggs Star.Tingle Rachel.Landis Beth.Scott Rochele.Davies Chanda.Henry Demitrous.Grubbs  
Karen.Kontz Caitlin.Barth Lesa.Saville Maureen.Lamb Lauren.Tyburnski Warren.Bassel Jeanne.Kirchofer Patrick.Flaherty  
Marlene.Ferrell Aulaina.Hansen Ashley.De.Alba Chau.Wilson Kai.Dawn.LeMasson Scott.Williams Karen.Dace Lauren.Hollingshead Elon.Gunning  
Ellen.Kaster Sheri.House Jackie.Simon Christine.Ullman Morgan.Montoya Aart.van.Beek Xuan.Chung Rose.Bledsoe Rebecca.Friedman  
Lynn.Garcia Augusta.Brothers Emily.Kinthead Janina.Boel Lydia.Suprun Alysha.Robbins Lila.Ramirez.Hanson Joanne.Wenzel Nina.Stevens Anne.Kimmerlein  
Kaitlyn.Jantzen Erica.Anderson Jennifer.Ruiz Ali.Kubochi Amber.Patterson Aseil.Mohmoud Merrill.Roseberry Laurie.Eschrich Shira.Gilbert  
Melynda.Hughes Michael.Butler Emily.Wonder Michelle.Lee Michelle.Morrow Ian.Hall Julie.White Anthony.Tayag Frederick.Anderson  
Paul.Donahue Natalie.Valentine Forrest.Plant.Jr Judith.Painter Jennifer.Lucchesi Jess.Zayas Larissa.Shashte Lynze.Bolton  
Kymia.Birchette Lisa.Chavez Charles.McComish Dara.Pfeiffer Jennifer.Parra Amber.Phu Julie.Mitchell Rita.Nemeth Stephanie.Kugler Alexis.Sabor Geraldine.Berg Kai.Koumatos  
Edward.Butler Jacqueline.McCollum Christina.Rico Claire.Parker Alexander.PowellNicole.Rinke Mark.Roberson Kimberly.Brewer  
Kimberlie.Shaltes Kim.Miller Anita.Prietto Michael.Palmer Lisa.Raimondo Steven.Maviglio Connor.Robbins  
Patti.Tamarit Tara.Vicars Paul.Legacki Nelou.Nazifi Anna.Parker Karen.OrbetaSusie.Malloay Kerry.Vas.Dias Halley.Cerruti  
Michelle.Seeberger Keely.McCoy Celina.Ramirez Cheryl.Paizis Pamela.Ogden Mona.Manley Craig.Segall Jody.Arthur  
Sara.Elliott Alyssa.Tilley Dr.Virginia.Maulfair Jane.Potter Cherie.Parker Robyn.Riedel Joshua.Mathisen Jessica.Tavera  
Ciara.Hale Kaitlyn.Rogers Lou.Cha Richard.Moore Susanna.Parks Devon.Linneman Britt.Wiseman Janet.Crowle  
Karen.Dietzen Valecia.Wright Ann.Malcolm Katherine.Oshiro Lily.Lee Anna.Weihman Tracy.Steuckrath Renee.Brekke  
Ariel.Corelis John.Wilusz Lindy.Meeker Jacquelynn.Patriquin Patricia.Kunz Craig.Yamada Elizabeth.Clark  
Andrew.Day Nicole.Winger Reyna.Miller Mike.Walker Alisha.Rodriguez Kayla.Haith  
Gary.Hursh Sergey.Suprun Chrystal.Wade Magda.Peronel Bonnie.McKee-Flores Christine.Calvin  
Asha.Kreiling Regina.Wood Michelle.Pigman Heidi.White Lucille.Casale  
Anthony.Clarke Zahid.Ali Leanna.Lucero Susan.Wycoff Rachel.DeShong  
Lori.Hope Terrence.Williams Eulonda.Lea Victoria.Whitney Amy.Aitken  
Margaret.Ruelas Kristen.Mastella Payal.Rohit  
Cynthia.Shiriste Adriana.Miguel.Perez Haley.Cavanaugh  
Sandra.Ali Jeffrey.Wahleithner Jessica.Cardenas  
Antoinette.Cooks Susana.Velazquez Terilyn.Cobb  
Martina.Bruno Dolores.Winterton Amy.Biagi  
Karyn.Barker-Taylor.Sabine Wendy.Bell  
Maria.Sepulveda.Gonzalez  
Tricia.Strachan  
David.Christenson  
Jo.Ellen.Davis  
Lilly.Allen

CASAs Active 2020-2021



# CASA's Active 1991-2020



- Eva Incaudo  
 Jasbir Kaur Jessica Andrews  
 Heather Howard Bobbie Daniels  
 Christine Bennett Brandi Denecocheas  
 Beverly Areen Christina Carroll  
 Heather Hess  
 Anna Heller Lori Anderson Nancy Chaires Espinoza  
 Shirley Kim Miriam Adamec Cynthia Sessions-Anderson  
 Mark Arsenaull Genae Stevenson-White  
 Warren Binford Catherine Culver Genevieve Stevens  
 Brittany Alexander Asa Dodd Leslie Robertson David Dyba  
 Julie Hubbs Deanna DePaoli Danielle Rinderknecht  
 Kathie Alderman Mary Calderon Laurie Richardson Linda Case Jan Boyd  
 Seanna Curler Suisan Weinheimer-Boyle Kristina Carrasco Sue Breece  
 Alexandra Curtis David Coburn Glennis Weatherall James Corn Jason Cuff Kimio Bazett  
 Marisol Avina Bonnie Shewchuk Chamayo Yniguez Dale Shimp Janelle Dent Patricia Anders Cassandra Hoff  
 Lori De Bruin Martin Splinter Sabrina Zamudio Sierra Sparks Comer Diehl Mona Sipes Pablo Abreu Thomas Hubbs Lita Jacome  
 Stephen Disher Donna Stearns Kimberly Waterman Hazel Rivera Donovon Croyle Dennis Beasley Christine Jensen  
 Janet Carter Dalene Romine Liza Thantranon Kathi Rhodes Shirley Corona Linda Baldwin Nicole Jackson  
 Robert Shelburne Scott Sax Sean Collier Rebecca Sanford Jessica Salas Marisa Shea Whitley Duckworth Sarah Huchel Alicia Kinsey  
 Will Claren Jayne Williams Sharon Von Bokern Lindsay Wilhite Heather Snyder Jeffrey Cuneo Bernardette Behar Sheris Fine  
 Linne Stout Rebecca McClure Becknell Ashley Reed Danae Lagala Ann Bunker Michele Hoffman Barbara Ellis  
 Melanie Ziegler Angeliqe Marriott Justina Yassa Maria Rivera James Curran Leslie Beltran Jessica Kemp  
 Bill Key Pamela Tureen Natasha Mary Kacelle Tortorici Sarah Regnier Teresa Bush-Chavey Suzie Brakensiek Ashlee Gai  
 Terri Yakesh Francisco Mistica Brosas Bret Winn Amanda Savage Dawn Cooks Estefani Avila Keely Bosler Barbara Kronick  
 Tami Warwick Grace McGrath Marcia Tyler Adam Yoast Justin Smith Lisa Cunningham Christine Horie Sharon Holbrook  
 Cindy Voss Hagar Liebermensch Rashada Wanzler Jaime Salvador Darth Clurman Whitney Bray Vanessa Hernandez  
 Tessa Mayer Susan M Montalban Linda Tucker Anna Sandoval Bridget Smith Richard Burrows Katie Huetter  
 Bo Tyler Melissa Perez Regalado David Mendez Camille Thomas Nita Satkowski Kathy Cole Irene Bailey Eileen Beltran Danielle Keys  
 Tina Vee Leslie Ann Patterson Dennis Mahoney Rebecca Wagner Roberts Sue Sauls Monique Carden Susan Braun Nancy Hasdovic  
 Lori J Hull Shauna Pandelidis Wilma Layus Kelli Vitale Alicia Wilson Elizabeth Stein Cira De Lay Ricardo Almeida Alana Keel  
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 Toni Louis Susan Pollock Jeffrey Ozu Marianna Lyulchenko Ayanna Massey Anna Yarnot Adria Rosendale Kelly Castro Berenice Aguilera  
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 Benita Myers Karen Nordyke William Myers Ashley Phillips Danielle Lynch CJ Good Anne Tate Monica White Shelley Spilberg Carole Batt  
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 Kathi Muto Thao Phoung Nguyen Kristine Morado Donielle Prince Dawn LoBaugh Aja Michael Robert Walker Donna Wilcox Beverly Simon  
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## Making Memories

**Making Memories** is a program of CASA Sacramento which provides special experiences to children in foster care who otherwise would not have the resources to pay for them. For children who have moved many times through many homes, basketball or theater camp has typically never been an option. Making Memories funds extracurricular activities to help children and young adults learn social skills, build confidence and provide the relief of getting to be a young person among peers.

During COVID-19, Making Memories has shifted to accommodate requests for equipment that youth can use to stay active in isolation. We provided 8 youth with bicycles in 2020/2021. Other requests included skateboards, gymnastics lessons, and art supplies.



A CASA youth attended a one-week camp at the Aerospace Museum of California, and wrote a thank-you card to CASA staff that read:  
“Thank you Ms. Danielle and Ms. Carol for sending me to summer camp. And I had a great time.  
Sincerely, [youth name omitted for privacy]”

## Transition Age Youth Program



The Transition Age Youth Coordinator at CASA Sacramento provides comprehensive support services to youth ages 16-20 who are in the foster care system. These are youth unlikely to find a permanent placement and forced to face adulthood on their own. Aging out of foster care without a permanent home is the highest-risk outcome for foster youth. One of our key strategies for expanding and improving services to transition age foster youth and young adults is to build upon our experience using the National CASA Association's *Fostering Futures* Curriculum. The curriculum provides 12 hours of additional training to CASA Volunteers to

assist teens and young adults with transitional skills and planning. This program provides training for advocates on relationship building with older youth, the "possible selves" concept and working with youth as partners in transition and independent living planning.

This year, the CASA TAY Program shifted to virtual workshops and trainings and were able to continue engaging with youth and CASAs, cover a wide range of life skills topics, and enhance the relationships between CASAs and their transition age youth.

**46 youth over the age of 16 attended workshops.**

**36 CASA Volunteers of teens have completed the 12 hour Fostering Futures training.**

**39 CASA Volunteers were matched with Transition Age Youth.**





# Crab Dinner 2021



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On February 6, 2021, CASA Sacramento's New Orleans Jazz Crab Dinner grossed over \$200,000 for Sacramento's youth in foster care. We shifted to a virtual event format that allowed guests to pick up their dinners and join our live broadcast and auction from the comfort and safety of their homes. Thank you to everyone who made this night possible as we (in the spirit of jazz) improvised!

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On May 6, 2021, over 320 donors came together to raise a record-breaking \$83,000 for CASA Sacramento. Our volunteers led the charge to create individual fundraising pages and encourage other CASA Volunteers, board members, and staff to do so as well. Thank you for contributing to a spring full of hope and possibility for CASA youth.



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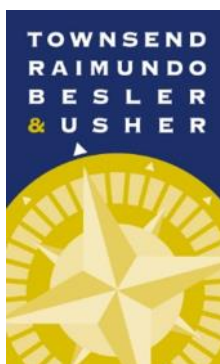


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