

We understand foster care can be overwhelming, confusing, and even frightening sometimes.

Our CASA volunteers are here for you.

You have a friend in court!

The CASA Sacramento Program is committed to ensuring that you are valued and respected as a unique individual. Our advocates will recognize, promote, and celebrate the value of cultural diversity and will ensure that your ethnic or cultural customs, practices and beliefs, sexual orientation, age, gender, gender identity, gender expression, disability, and/or community differences are respected by agency staff and volunteers.

**IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS,
YOU MAY CONTACT THE MAIN OFFICE:
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A Guide For Foster Youth



CASA

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FOR CHILDREN

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What is a Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA)?

- A Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) is a volunteer who is appointed by a judge to speak up for you in court.
- A CASA Volunteer can be a friend and a mentor.
- CASA Volunteers are mandated reporters and are required to report any harm they suspect is happening to you.
- CASA Volunteers do not get paid. They are a part of your life because they want to be!

What will your CASA Volunteer do for you?

- They will spend around 10-15 hours with you every month.
- They will write court reports for your court hearings and discuss them with you before presenting them in court.
- They will attend all of your court hearings.
- They will tell you the truth.
- They will be available when you need someone to talk to and will take your problems and concerns seriously.
- They will make sure you get all the services you need.
- They will work with all the people in your life to make sure your voice is heard.
- They can help you with your family relationships.
- They will help you be successful in school.
- They will add fun to your life!

What will your CASA Volunteer ask of you?

- Your CASA Volunteer will treat you with respect and honesty and will ask the same from you.
- Your CASA Volunteer will ask you to tell them what you need.
- Your CASA Volunteer will ask you to participate in decisions that affect your life.

