



Seventh Circuit CASA Program

July 2011

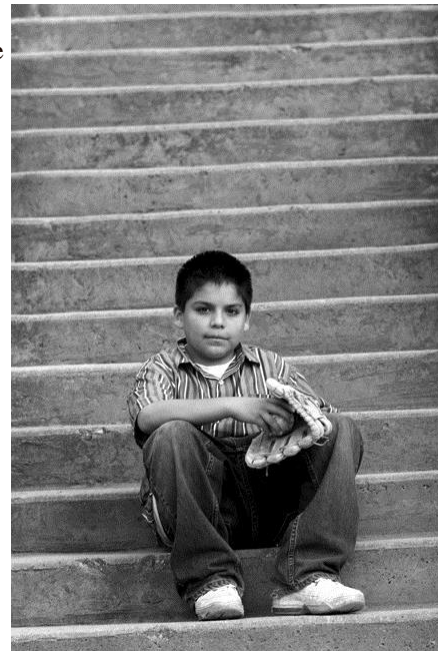
CASA Connection

With 2011 being half way in the books, the 7th Circuit CASA Program has been showing steady growth. We aim to surpass the number of children receiving advocacy service in 2010 by the end of this year. For us to be able to accomplish this year after year, we must thank the community for the continued support. Without caring volunteers, dedicated donors, committee, and board members, and an outstanding staff, we wouldn't be able to reach the heights we strive for. Though we have consistently grown over the past few years, we still have work to do. At any given time, there are approximately 150 children navigating the court system, due to abuse or neglect, all on their own. These children need an advocate in their life looking out for their best interest.

Would you consider being their advocate? Together we can find permanent, nurturing homes for every child in need.

For the children,

Chad F. Catron
Executive Director



Welcome New Board Members

We have had the opportunity to welcome many new members to the CASA family over the past few months. Our Board of Directors had three position openings and this allowed us the opportunity to meet some new and excited individuals; Laura Buchli, Jodene Ehrich, and Tara Ireland. We welcome their energy and enthusiasm to the Board and look forward to working with them for years to come. We also swore in 9 new volunteer advocates in May. These

Training Corner

In-services

Spirit of Justice Conference

August 23 - 25, 2011

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Children's Justice Conference

September 13, 2011

volunteers took the training and are completing their court watching, excited to take their first case and begin advocating for abused and neglected children. Thanks are due to you all for your dedication to helping the children in our community.

Big Things Ahead For CASA

Looking ahead in the second half of 2011 and into 2012, many things await the CASA Program. From our annual appeal to Fire & Ice to new events we are looking to launch in 2012, CASA is poised and ready to strengthen our presence and advocate for more children in our community. Through each event and awareness campaign, our goal remains to ensure we maintain and grow our resources to meet our mission. Without all of this, we wouldn't be able to continue placing trained volunteer advocates into the lives of abused and neglected children. Stay tuned for more details in the coming months.



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****Please RSVP for all trainings****

Note: In-service trainings are for sworn-in volunteers only. Please do not bring spouses, children, or other guests to in-services as some case sensitive information may be shared.

[New Volunteer Training](#)

next class:

Saturday, September 17, 2011

8:30a - 4:30p

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