



CASA

Court Appointed Special Advocates
FOR CHILDREN

MARION COUNTY

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OUR MISSION

We provide every child in need with trained volunteer advocates to ensure they are safe, have a permanent home and the opportunity to thrive.

OUR VISION

Our community ensures every distressed child and family has a pathway to positive outcomes.

ORGANIZATION VALUES

Relationship Focused
Integrity
Just and Equitable
Excellence
Servant Leadership
Ambassadorship

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"If we don't stand up for children, then we don't stand for much."

- Marian Wright Edelman.



IMPACT

262

CHILDREN SERVED

262 children in Marion County had a CASA volunteer assigned to their child welfare case.

VOLUNTEERS

117 community citizens acted as Court Appointed Special Advocates for children, advocating for their health, academic success, and safety

117

37,927

MILEAGE

Volunteers logged a total of 37,927 miles traveled while fulfilling their CASA duties. This includes visits, court proceedings, meetings, etc.

VOLUNTEER HOURS

Volunteers logged a total of 6,321 hours. The most recent value of a volunteer hour released by the Independent Sector is \$28.54. This brings the total value of CASA volunteer hours to \$180,401.34.

6,321

**"History will judge us by the difference we make in the everyday lives of children."
- Nelson Mandela**

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

EVENT SPONSORS

Bliss Sequoia/Huggins Insurance	Roth's Fresh Markets
Brennan Martin Pugh & Associates	Saalfeld Griggs PC
Capitol Toyota	Salem Convention Center
Dick & Gayle Withnell	Salem Electric
Drs. Bud & Selma Pierce	Salem Health
First Interstate Bank	Salem Police Department
Macy's	Santiam Hospital
Maps Community Foundation	The Grand Hotel in Salem
Mountain West Investment Corporation	US Bank
Oregon Community Credit Union	Willamette Valley Vineyards
Oregon Department of Human Services	Withnell Motor Company

COMMUNITY PARTNERS

Amazon Smile	Mid-Valley Suicide Prevention Coalition
Andy Medcalf Construction	Mountain West Investment Corp.
Bikers Against Child Abuse	National CASA/GAL
Blue Ribbon Brigade	Nautica Outlet Store
Capital Pioneers	Oregon Community Foundation
Center for Hope and Safety	Oregon Department of Human Services
Delta Kappa Gamma	Our Saviors Lutheran Church
Dutch Bros	Pacific Power Foundation
Foster for Hope	Project Lemonade
Fred Meyer	Radio Poder
Gilbert House Children's Museum	Sackcloth & Ashes
In-N-Out Burger	Salem Chamber of Commerce
Jordan Anne Hess Memorial Trust and Scholarship Fund	Salem Electric
Keizer Chamber of Commerce	Salem Health
Keizer Fire District	Salem Leadership Foundation
Keizer Volunteer Firefighter Association	Salem Police Department
Keizer Florist	Salem Rotary
Keizer Police Department	Silverton Area Community Aid
Keizer Rotary	Spirit Mountain Community Fund
Keizer Times	Starbucks (all Marion County locations)
Keizer United	Stayton Road Runners
Latino Business Alliance	Stayton Rotary
Liberty Mutual Insurance	Stayton Sublimity Chamber of Commerce
LifeSource Natural Foods	The Northwest Hub
Macy's	The REC by Valor Mentoring
Maps Community Foundation	United Way of the Mid-Willamette Valley
	Willamette Health Council
	Woodburn Chamber of Commerce

THE DIFFERENCE A CASA MAKES



COST SAVINGS

Children with CASA volunteers spend an average of eight months less time in foster care, a cost-savings to Oregon of \$15,000 per child. Last year, CASA saved Oregon taxpayers over \$21 million.

NEEDS MET

Children with a CASA volunteer are more likely to find a safe, permanent home, and are half as likely to reenter foster care



MAKING THE GRADE

Children with CASA volunteers do better in school:

- More likely to pass courses
- Less likely to have poor conduct in school
- Less likely to be expelled



HEIGHTENING HOPE

Children with CASA volunteers report significantly higher levels of hope. A child's hope has been linked to numerous positive outcomes such as academic success, overall wellbeing, increases in self-control, positive social relationships and optimism