



CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocate/Guardian ad Litem Program) is a national citizen volunteer organization authorized to investigate cases of child abuse and/or neglect and advocate, through the court system, to ensure a safe, permanent home for every child. **CASA** is the child's voice in court.

CASA Partners (Spokane Court Appointed Special Advocate Partners) is an all volunteer 501(c)(3) children's charity dedicated to supporting the local **CASA Program** and enhancing the lives of abused and neglected children.



For information about the **CASA /GAL**

Volunteer Program contact:

CASA/GAL

1208 West Mallon Street

Spokane, WA 99201

(509) 477-2468

For information about **CASA Partners** or to make a tax deductible contribution

contact:

CASA Partners

PO Box 8158

Spokane, WA 99203-0158

(509) 462-CASA

or donate via United Way

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www.casapartners.org

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Serving
our community's
abused
and neglected
children and youth

About the children...

The more than 1000 children and youth who reside in Child Protective Service (CPS) foster care are Spokane's most disadvantaged citizens. They have been

- Severely abused and neglected
- Belong to families who have failed them completely
- Have not a single relative willing or able to care for them
- Are often separated from siblings
- Have few, if any, belongings
- Must live with strangers, who are paid to care for them.

Abused and neglected youngsters living in foster care or relative placement commonly suffer depression, behavior disturbances, poor health, learning delays, confusion, fear, and loneliness.



CASA Partners' Programs

CASA Partners currently offers three direct service projects for children:

BEE KIND GARDEN provides a therapeutic program designed to teach gentleness, kindness, and empathy to children from violent homes. Trained adult volunteers matched with abused children craft, nurture plants, interact with animals, and have fun together in an outdoor setting.



NEEDS FROM THE HEART grants wishes for foster children, purchasing items most children take for granted that foster parents and social workers are unable to provide. Examples include bicycles, sporting equipment, musical instruments, and graduation pictures.



MY BAG provides a personal tote filled with special belongings and essential supplies for each of the 600 children entering foster care annually.

MY SCHOOL BAG ensures that 250 children, living with impoverished relatives, have the shoes, clothing, toiletries, backpacks, and supplies needed to begin each school year.



YES! I want to help the abused and neglected children in our community. Date: ___/___/___

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: (H) _____ (W) _____

Email Address: _____

____ I would like to receive more information about serving as a child's CASA volunteer.

____ I would like to receive more information about CASA Partners' projects.

(please circle)

- BEE KIND GARDEN
- NEEDS FROM THE HEART
- MY BAG

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