



The Court Appointed Special Advocate Program of Montgomery County
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CASA Information for Families

A Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) is a trained volunteer appointed by the Juvenile Court who provides information to the court about the best interests of a child.

The CASA volunteer works one-on-one with a child to help ensure that that child receives necessary medical & mental health services, is appropriately placed in school, and that families have access to all available resources to help them provide safe homes for their children. CASAs learn about all aspects of their assigned child's life, including his or her present living situation, biological and extended family, school situation, etc., and make written recommendations to the Juvenile Court as to the child's best interest.

Each CASA typically works with only 1 child or 1 family at a time. Most CASAs visit with their CASA children approximately once a week and have regular phone contact with other professionals involved in the case. CASAs attend all court hearings and submit carefully researched reports to the Judge to assist the court in making sound decisions about that child's welfare.

If you would like more information about the CASA program, please call the CASA office at 301-340-7458.