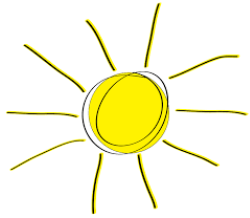


CASA by the Lakes



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From the Director...

As the sun shines through my office window, I find myself daydreaming about all the fun I could be having outside, instead of typing away at my computer. Then my mind wanders to the good ole' days when summer meant two months off from school and no worries! Swimming at the pool, flavored popsicles, riding bikes, and playing with my friends until the sun went down; then doing it all over again the next day. And then I come back to reality and start thinking about the kids we serve at CASA. It saddens me to think that these kids may not have ever experienced the same

carefree summer that I was just daydreaming about. However, there is hope! We can make a difference one child at a time, and that is exactly what we are doing with the help of you and the rest of our community! So, I would like to thank you, but I would also like to challenge you. As you enjoy summer with your family and friends at your cookouts or beach vacations, say a little prayer for the children that are searching for that same joy you are experiencing. Then go out and find a way to make a difference!

*-Angelia Melvin Boyd
Executive Director*



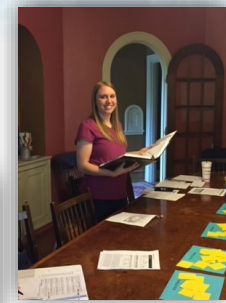
Welcome new Volunteers!

CASA by the Lakes is thrilled to welcome the newest class of volunteers! Their training began on May 17th, and is expected to conclude at the end of June. These new volunteers will enable CASA by the Lakes to serve even

more abused and neglected children in Calloway and Marshall County!



Pictured: volunteers in training, from left, Alison Watson, Bridgett Sentmore, and Hannah Bradley



Advocate Coordinator, Kelcy Navrkal, leading the training for the new class of volunteers

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How are we doing? January-June Progress Report

- **Active volunteers: 37 (3 more pending completion of training)**
- **Children served to date: 94**
- **Children currently serving: 72**
- **Cases closed to date: 22**



Pictured: Debbie and Michael Skinner

Volunteer Spotlight

Husband and wife team, Michael and Debbie Skinner, have served as CASA volunteers for two years. They went through training together, and between the two of them, have served six children! Both Debbie and Michael are extremely dedicated to this cause, and have seen the positive impact their advocacy has made on these children.

"People just don't know what some of these kids go

through, it's rough," says Michael. "But you can see a glow on their faces as you watch them come out of their shell. It's why we do what we do."

"Maya Angelou said people may not remember what you said, but they will remember how you made them feel. When you volunteer for CASA, you are making more of a difference than you realize. You can be the positive voice in a negative

world, and bring hope to a child," says Debbie.

Through CASA, Michael and Debbie bring hope to children who may otherwise, not have a voice. CASA wants to thank Debbie and Michael, and all of our volunteers, for their hard work and dedication to children in need!

***If you are interested in becoming a CASA volunteer, visit our website at www.casabythelakes.org or call 270-761-0164.**

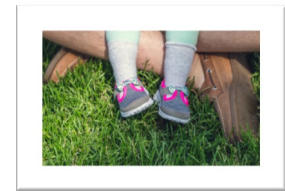
CASA Moment

"Having left two homes in the past four months, this little girl was in dire need of stability."

Our story today is about a 7 year old little girl who went to live with her aunt in May 2017 because her father was going to be sentenced to 5+ years in jail. Her mother was nowhere to be found and hadn't seen the little girl in 5 years. She needed a place to go, so her aunt filed for emergency custody of her. She lived with her aunt for about 4 months, until she could no longer care for her. She was then placed with her paternal uncle. Having left two homes in the past 4 months, this little girl was in dire need of stability. Luckily, her uncle has been able to give her just that. He takes great care of her, ensures she does well in school, and

loves her so much. She does great in school socially, although she is a little behind academically. However, her new school is adamant about bringing her up to speed and helping her in any way they can. Her teacher has commented on how her uncle has become so involved in her life, and seems to only want the best for her! Our CASA on the case has commented that she believes this little girl's life has not only changed because of her uncle, but the uncle has also made a turn around in his life because of this little girl. They have impacted each other for the better! He truly wants what is best for her.

Unfortunately, neither parent plays an active role in this child's life, but we know the positive impact that other relatives can have on our children when they are as loving and dedicated as this uncle is. We hope this little girl's life only goes up from here and we are thankful for loving relatives that are willing to take care of children in need.



Needs/Wish List:



Boys Clothes sizes
4-6, 7-8, 10-12,
14-16

Teen Boys Clothes
sizes S, M, and XL

Girls Clothes sizes
10-12, 14-16

Shoes for boys and girls
- all sizes

Stamps

Envelopes

Paper Towels

Monetary Donations

Snack Bundles for
CASA Kids (GoldFish,
fruit snacks, juice
pouches, bottled
water)

Larger Office Space

Friends of CASA, Gala of Light



The annual Friends of CASA banquet, Gala of Light, was held at the Yates Event Center on April 26th. This year was a record turnout with over 270 attendees and 172 silent auction items!

Board member, Dallas Jo Young, said "I think the Friends of CASA, Gala of Light 2018 event was a HUGE success! We had our largest crowd to date. It is events like this that help CASA get through the year and help us to serve more children in the two communities we are present in. It absolutely breaks my heart to know there are children in our communi-

ties that are abused and neglected, but through CASA, we can make a difference in their lives, and our donors make it possible." Thanks to the money raised, we'll be able to sponsor 17 children for the year! CASA wishes to thank our sponsors, donors, and everyone involved in the planning and execution of this event!



Pictured: CASA volunteers, from left, Cheryl Beasley, Shana Edmaiston, Holly Cherry, Carolyn Digiola, Liz Lawrence

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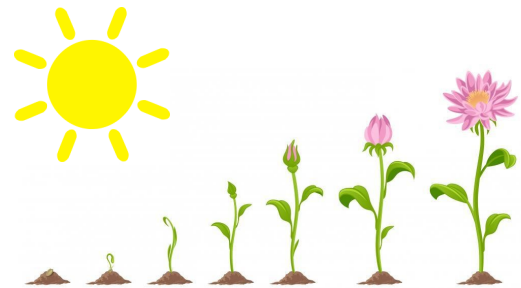
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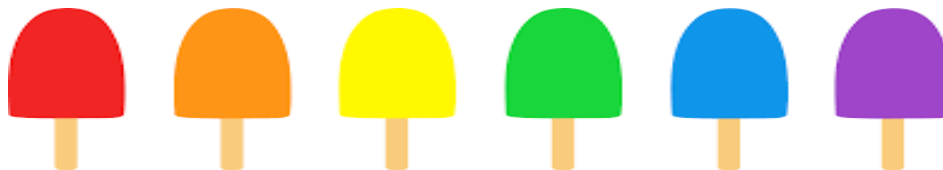


We are Growing!

The number of volunteers and staff at CASA by the Lakes has tripled over the last 3 years! This growth moves us toward our ultimate goal of serving EVERY abused and neglected child in our community! But it also means we are outgrowing our current office space. We need YOUR help finding a larger office space that can be donated to CASA!

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News from the Board



Nominations and elections for Board Officers were held at the May 10th meeting. Congratulations to Katy Hancock (Chair), Eury Tynes, (Vice-Chair) and Danita Smith (Secretary). Thank you for serving!

We are currently looking to expand our board of directors. If you, or someone you know is interested in becoming a board member, please contact Angelia at 270-761-0164.

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