



Serving abused and neglected children in  
Fayette, Bourbon, Woodford, Scott,  
Jessamine, Garrard and Lincoln counties

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## CASA Volunteers Support Kentucky's Most Vulnerable Children

CASA of Lexington is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit and one of around 950 Court-Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) programs in 49 U.S. states. CASA volunteers provide a voice and much-needed support for Kentucky's most at-risk children.

We recruit, train and support CASA volunteers, who are appointed by judges to cases involving child abuse and neglect. The volunteers' reports and recommendations inform the judge's decisions and help the children return to safe, permanent homes.

### Our Mission Statement

*CASA of Lexington's trained and supervised volunteers advocate through the family court system to ensure all victims of child abuse and neglect are provided a safe and permanent home.*

### What a CASA Volunteer Does

- Visits with the child regularly
- Interviews people involved in the child's life
- Monitors the child's home environment
- Participates in treatment planning conferences
- Makes recommendations to the judge
- Helps ensure court orders are being followed
- Remains on the same case until it is closed



**CASA volunteers walk alongside** abused and neglected children as they navigate a chaotic world filled with uncertainty.

### What is the Need?

There are hundreds more children currently in the family courts of Fayette, Bourbon, Woodford, Scott, Jessamine, Garrard and Lincoln counties who could benefit from having a CASA volunteer. Last year, there were more than 1,600 children abused or neglected in our service area.

### Impacts of CASA Advocacy

- Children spend 5.5 fewer months in foster care
- About 88% of children never re-enter foster care
- Children are more likely to receive services
- Children perform better academically

### What Does it Cost?

We can provide a CASA volunteer to a child for one year for about \$1,000. By contrast, a month of foster care costs \$2,100. We had more than 270 volunteers in 2021, who advocated for 616 children. We are funded largely by donations, sponsorships and grants.



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# You Can Change a Child's Story

If you have a heart for helping children and want to make a difference, there are many ways you can support the mission of CASA of Lexington!



## Become a **CASA** volunteer

CASA volunteers are regular people who advocate for the best interests of abused or neglected children. They help ensure they receive services, suffer less trauma and find safe, permanent homes as quickly as possible.

**Learn more:** [casaoflexington.org/learn](http://casaoflexington.org/learn)

## Donate to **CASA** or Sponsor a Child

You can make a tax-deductible donation to CASA of Lexington on our website or by mailing a check to 3245 Loch Ness Dr., Lexington, KY 40517. It costs about \$1,000 to provide a child with a CASA volunteer for one year.

**Learn more:** [casaoflexington.org/donate](http://casaoflexington.org/donate)



## Become a **Friend of CASA**

Friends of CASA help staff fundraising events, assist with donor communications, and much more!

**Learn more:** [casaoflexington.org/friends](http://casaoflexington.org/friends)

## Support **CASA** Through Partner Programs

CASA of Lexington receives contributions through charitable programs from Amazon.com, Kroger, Cardinal Office360 and Collette Travel. A portion of your purchases are donated back to CASA of Lexington.

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