



CHILD ADVOCACY NEWS

SERVING OUR CHILDREN



Lori Wilkins, Volunteer Advocate, taking her oath as a CASA Volunteer

We are happy to announce that three children started receiving advocate services this past month. We will continue to see that number grow as we gain more recruits and train more volunteers. Three volunteers, including Aspyn Hermreck, will be completing training this first week of October. Please think of them as they begin to look at case assignments and serve the children who need it most.



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Governor Laura Kelly Announces \$6.5M in Grants for Sexual and Domestic Violence Programs, Child Advocacy Centers, CASA Programs

TOPEKA – Governor Laura Kelly today announced nearly \$6.5 million in state grants have been awarded to continue improving services for adult and child crime survivors.

STATE HEADLINES

CASA programs across the state were awarded funds from the Governor's office to continue serving children who have experienced abuse and neglect. We are thankful that our children and work are recognized and supported.

[See the press release here.](#)

110

Children in Out-of-Home
Placements

48

Volunteers Still Needed

APPLY TODAY!

Children in our area need YOU to lift their voices and advocate for their best interests.

Volunteers must complete an application, background screening, and training to become certified.

If you are interested in becoming a volunteer, click the link below to visit our website.

[APPLY NOW](#)

Volunteer Corner

Volunteers, we are thankful for you! Keep up the great work that you are doing for these children in need.

As a reminder, reports are due on the 10th of October. Contact us if you have any questions.

October 2022

Newsletter



20 YEARS

CONNECTION OPPORTUNITY

COMMUNITY NEWS



Starting October 1st, all proceeds specified for CASA at the Burlington, Kansas Pete's location goes directly to our program! We invite you to join in. This is also a great opportunity to support a community-driven business.

COMMUNITY EDUCATION

We visited each County Commissioner meeting last month to provide education about our program and its needs. You can find those videos through your local county page. We are appreciative of the resources that they provide to our program.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

October 1st **Tee Off @ 9:00AM**

United Way 2nd Annual Golf tournament
Osawatomie Golf Course

CASA will be sponsoring a hole at the United Way Golf Tournament. This is a great opportunity to learn more about the program and help a community sponsor.

October 8th **10:00AM-4:00PM**

"Fall in Love with Overbrook"
Osage County Fairgrounds

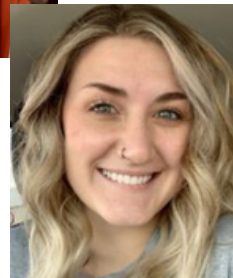
Connect with us at the Overbrook Fall Festival. We will have a booth set up for anyone interested in the program and a game for the kids!

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OFFICE NEWS



Haley Harshaw,
Executive Director



Aspyn Hermreck,
Volunteer Coordinator

NEW FACES

There is new leadership at CASA of the Fourth Judicial District. Haley Harshaw was hired as the Executive Director in May 2022, and Aspyn Hermreck was hired as the Volunteer Coordinator in August 2022. We are excited to see where the program can grow and change to best serve the children of our district.

WE MOVED

Our office has moved from the 3rd floor of the old courthouse in Ottawa to the 2nd floor. We welcome community members and stakeholders to come and visit our space and ask questions.

For reference, we are located at:
315 S. Main St. #202
Ottawa, Kansas 66067

IT COSTS

\$2,500

TO ADVOCATE FOR ONE
CHILD EACH YEAR

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IN NEED TODAY

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COMING SOON

Our program will begin to offer Pre-Service training early next year. If you applied to be a volunteer, please check in for when training will be offered to you.

If you have not applied, it is not too late! Contact our office today.