10th Annual
CASA of Los Angeles
Reimagine Gala
IMPACT BY THE NUMBERS

39,440
Hours of advocacy

14,562
Meetings with case parties

10,433
Children served since 2011
9,238 Child visits
1,360 Children supported with one-on-one advocacy
1,119 Total CASA volunteers
767 Volunteer applications received
CASA volunteers help children feel like they have someone to listen to them. In a system where their needs and wishes are often disregarded or ignored, having an adult actively paying attention to what they say means everything. It plants a seed in their mind that they are worthy of respect. That is something they can carry with them for the rest of their lives.— Attorney, Children’s Law Center

The Amicus Circle at CASA of Los Angeles is comprised of law firms, law schools, legal associations, and other legal support service organizations that support our mission to organize community volunteers to advocate for children and families in LA County’s overburdened child welfare and juvenile justice systems. The members of the Amicus Circle at CASA/LA join our vision for a Los Angeles in which all children have equitable access to resources they need to thrive.

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We are so proud of your commitment to CASA/LA. You have made such a difference in the lives of children through your many years of outstanding service and dedication to a wonderful cause. You are truly deserving of this honor!

Lots of love, Marilyn, Tracy, Brian, Denise, Matthew & Jacob
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