



# Championing Every Child

**FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 IMPACT REPORT**

# OUR MISSION

CASA of Los Angeles organizes the community to take action and advocate for children and families in LA County's child welfare system.



# OUR VISION

CASA/LA's vision is a Los Angeles in which all children and families impacted by the child welfare and juvenile justice systems have equitable access to the resources and support they need to thrive.



# OUR VALUES

## DEEP LOVE

The foundation, connecting volunteers, staff, children, and families.

## JUSTICE

Advocating for systemic improvements and fair access to resources.

## AUTHENTICITY & INTEGRITY

Commitment to values, acknowledging biases, and being true to their mission.

## ACCOUNTABILITY

Striving for professionalism, honest outcomes, and effective measurement.

## RESPECT

Treating all individuals with dignity.

# DEAR FRIENDS,

This past year, CASA of Los Angeles embarked on a journey of continued commitment and innovation in advocating for the well-being of children within LA County's child welfare and juvenile justice systems, alongside their families. Our dedicated staff, volunteers, board members, and supporters collaborated to redefine our approach, introducing new ways to reach more children through one-to-one advocacy, redefining our programs, and expanding our marketing efforts to increase and diversify our volunteer base. Strengthening community ties and tirelessly advocating for systems change remained at the forefront of our work.

Aligned with our supporters and partners, CASA/LA successfully served 1004 children in FY2024 through our 832 Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA volunteers). Our incredible CASA volunteers closed advocacy cases for 421 children, with many experiencing positive life-affirming outcomes, including reunification with their families, transitions to less restrictive placements, enrollment in suitable educational settings, and access to essential medical, emotional, and educational resources:

- 188 children moved to a more permanent placement
- 219 children were connected to specialized program or activity to support mental health and well-being
- 39 youth graduated high school or completed their GED or certificate of completion
- 235 children had increased time or connection with family members
- 112 children showed academic improvement or increased attendance in school

As we step into the coming year, we are filled with enthusiasm and gratitude, which fuels us to persist in this essential work in collaboration with this steadfast, passionate community. Acknowledging that there is still more to accomplish, we remain confident that our united efforts will play a significant role in making Los Angeles a more robust, secure, and enriched community for all.

From all of us at CASA of Los Angeles, we thank you for your support and look forward to continuing our great work in the coming year.

With gratitude,



*Alaynè Marie Sampson  
Board Chair, FY2024*

# MILESTONES FY2024



## **This fiscal year, 790 youth achieved permanency goals:**

- 57 children/youth were placed back in home of parent or have an identified adopted home
- 145 children/youth had moved to a more appropriate placement
- 45 children/youth had initial or increased liberalized me with family and/or personal connections
- 76 children/youth/NMDs connected or reconnected with a family-like or significant adult
- 153 TAY/NMDs achieved a significant milestone including sign up a checking or savings account, getting connected to ILP services, obtaining employment and CA ID, and/or securing housing.

## **This fiscal year, 219 youth achieved physical health goals:**

- 24 children/youth received a prescription for needed medication, necessary medical equipment (i.e. glasses, insulin pump, wheelchair, etc.) and/or a needed medical procedure/surgery.
- 21 children/youth were connected to a specialized medical service (i.e. nutritionist, physical therapy, reproductive health, gender-affirming treatment, and orthodontia)

# MILESTONES FY2024

**This fiscal year, 219 youth achieved physical health goals:**

- 58 children/youth were connected to activities/programs/resources/equipment of the child/youth's choice that support emotional well-being (i.e. prosocial activities, extracurricular activities, art supplies, music equipment, etc.)
- 39 children/youth changed to a more appropriate mental health provider
- 38 children/youth/NMDs were connected to a specialized therapist or program (i.e. EMDR, equine therapy, LGBTQIA+ focused, grief resources, dyadic therapy) and/or a substance abuse treatment program
- 20 children/youth had decreased connection to mental health services due to clinical need (i.e. decreased hours, less intensive services, meeting therapeutic goals, graduating from services)

**This fiscal year, 693 youth achieved education goals:**

## GENERAL EDUCATION MILESTONES

- 44 children/youth had an IEP or 504 plan or assessment completed
- 27 children/youth had an educational rights holder appointed
- 39 children/youth had been connected to educational services or support, including tutoring, college readiness,
- 1:1 aide, school based counseling, or services not through an IEP
- 56 children/youth/NMDs had been connected to or provided with technology needed for education support
- 112 children/youth had increased attendance, showed academic improvement and/or showed behavioral improvement in school
- 52 children/youth transitioned to a more appropriate educational setting

## POST SECONDARY EDUCATION MILESTONES

- 22 youth/NMDs were connected to services on their college campus (i.e. office for foster youth, academic support, reasonable accommodation)
- 6 youth/NMDs were awarded financial aid or a scholarship
- 43 youth/NMDs enrolled in a post-secondary education program (i.e. community college, vocational or trade school, university)
- 39 youth/NMDs graduated from either their education program (i.e. high school, HiSET/GED) or a post-secondary education program



# CASA of Los Angeles FY2024 IMPACT



For over 40 years, CASA/LA has been the only organization in Los Angeles County providing court appointed advocates to youth in the child welfare system helping these children navigate the trials of the courtroom, and also the trials of a challenged childhood.

The CASA program is a proven, reliable and economic model of support that is the difference between success and failure for thousands of children. Many more children would thrive if they had the intensive intervention of a CASA volunteer.



**1004**

TOTAL  
Children Served  
in LA County



**888**

General  
Advocacy  
Youth  
Served



**116**

Special  
Programs  
Youth  
Served



**832**

Active CASA  
Volunteers



# SPOTLIGHT / VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR

*Each year, CASA/LA solicits nominations from attorneys, hearing officers, and DCFS staff for our highest volunteer award: Volunteer of the Year. This year, we received more nominations than ever, but ultimately, our committee decided to honor CASA Rachel Quaintance for going above and beyond in her advocacy work.*

At the start of 2023, Rachel was still working on a previous case when she met then 12-year-old Ava in the course of volunteering with her dog at a short term residential therapeutic program (STRTP). Rachel immediately contacted her supervisor to try to get Ava a CASA referral, and soon enough, Rachel was appointed as Ava's CASA.

Rachel's first priority was to work on getting Ava out of the STRTP. Ava was in the process of moving towards reunification with her mother, and so Rachel worked on building a relationship not only with Ava, but with her mother as well. Other adults on Ava's team seemed stuck on the mom's past and Rachel would often say, "If we want reunification, we have to look forward, not back." Both Ava and her mother had been working hard to make the reunification happen and that's what mattered. Rachel cut through the bureaucracy, held people accountable, and ultimately, Ava was able to be placed back with her mother. Unfortunately, the situation was further complicated by Ava's mental health issues.

Mental health has been one of Ava's biggest struggles throughout her childhood. Rachel knew she needed to build trust to better understand and support Ava's mental health needs. Like the assumptions Rachel faced about Ava's mom, she saw that some adults who were supposed to help Ava instead labeled her mental health issues as "bad behaviors" or manipulation. Rachel is glad she was there to say, "This is a child who lost her parental attachment at 6 and has legitimate mental health issues. She's doing all the hard work to improve her mental health—what are the adults doing?" When Ava had a mental health crisis and needed to be removed from her mother's care again, Rachel was there to help her manage that devastating transition and advocate for her when Ava could not. Ava was placed back in an STRTP for "emergency shelter care," but DCFS seemed ready to keep her there indefinitely. Rachel stayed persistent until DCFS found a resource home for Ava. She is now doing well with a great caregiver as she works toward reunification with her mother.



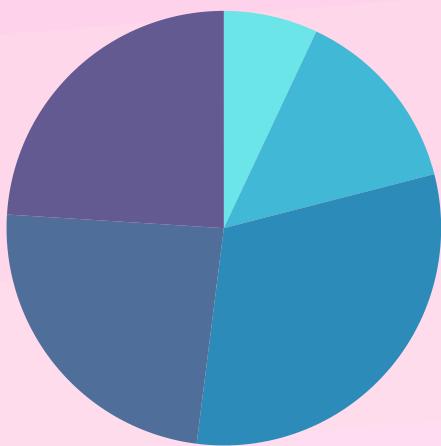
In the meantime, Rachel has been researching different diagnoses and treatments and has even been able to connect Ava to equine therapy and enriching after-school activities. Rachel says that she is constantly asking herself, "If this were my child, what would I do?" Reflecting on Ava's progress in the context of all that she's been through, Rachel shared, "She is a light in this world; I'm so proud of her."

Rachel never could have imagined the impact becoming a CASA would have on all aspects of her life. She now talks to everyone she knows about her CASA work, tapping into her networks to find resources, and bringing awareness about our broken systems to people who may never have otherwise gotten this kind of exposure. Her mentality is: "we can't go back in time and change the history in this country, all we can do is say, 'how do we fix this now?'"

# WHO WE SERVE

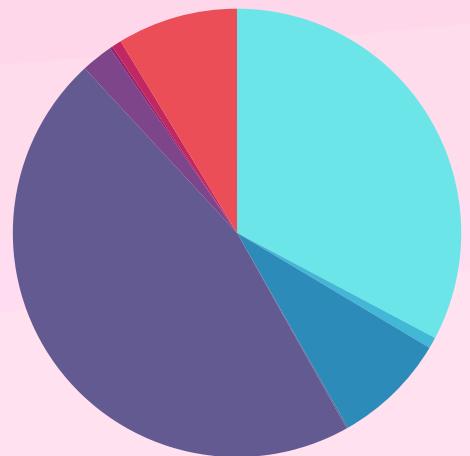
## AGE

● 5 and Under   ● 6-10   ● 11-15   ● 16-17  
● 18+



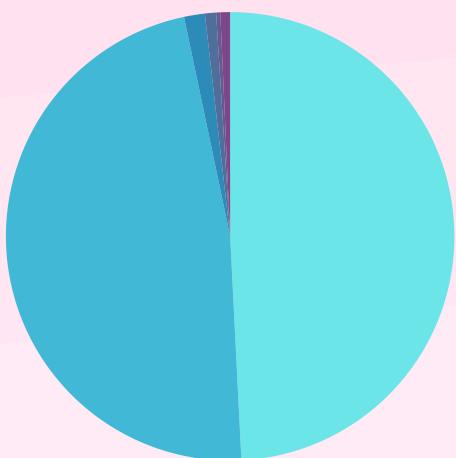
## RACE/ETHNICITY

● African-American   ● Asian  
● Caucasian-Non-Latino  
● Hawaiian or Pacific Islander   ● Hispanic/Latino  
● Multi-Racial   ● Native American   ● Other  
● Unknown/Decline to State

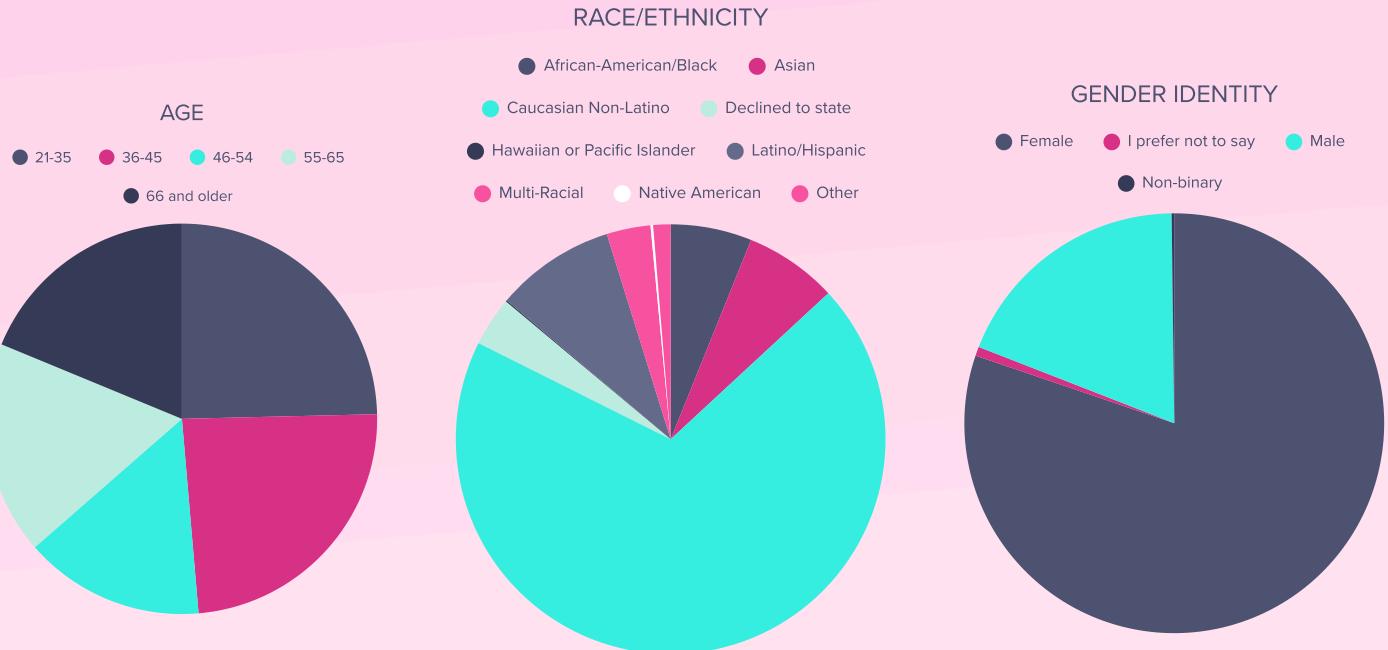


## GENDER IDENTITY

● Female   ● Male   ● Non-binary  
● Trans Boy/Man   ● Trans Girl/Woman  
● Decline to State



# OUR AMAZING CASAs



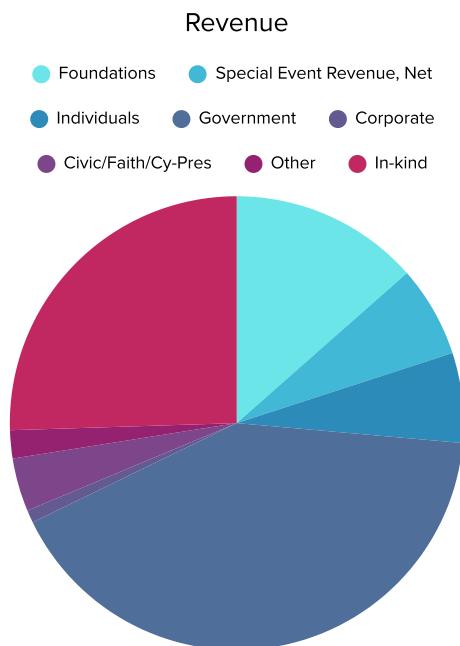


# FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

## STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

<b>Revenue</b>		
Foundations	1,456,296	13.5%
Special Event Revenue, Net	697,025	6.5%
Individuals	691,249	6.4%
Government	4,467,262	41.4%
Corporate	98,065	0.9%
Civic/Faith/Cy-Pres	411,006	3.8%
Other	215,553	2.0%
In-kind	2,745,760	25.5%
	<b>10,782,215</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

<b>Expense</b>		
Advocacy	7,696,557	61.1%
Volunteer Training and Services	1,155,016	9.2%
Recruiting and Outreach	716,635	5.7%
Management and General	1,775,399	14.1%
Fundraising	1,262,879	10.0%
	<b>12,606,485</b>	<b>100.0%</b>



# FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

	2024	2023
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents	3,994,562	4,354,378
Investments	17,447	1,003,844
Contributions and grants receivable	1,000,453	496,326
Prepaid expenses and other assets	115,576	118,978
Employee retention credit receivable	-	792,598
Right of use asset - operating leases	317,996	-
Property and equipment, net	406,881	422,709
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>5,852,915</b>	<b>7,188,833</b>
<b>LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS</b>		
<b>LIABILITIES</b>		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	1,156,716	1,192,196
Deferred revenue	1,482,326	1,277,399
Operating lease liabilities	318,905	-
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>2,957,947</b>	<b>2,469,595</b>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		
Net assets without donor restrictions		
Undesignated	345,332	1,514,465
Board designated operating reserve	1,098,772	1,036,244
Total net assets without donor restrictions	1,444,104	2,550,709
Net assets with donor restrictions	1,450,864	2,168,529
<b>Total Net Assets</b>	<b>2,894,968</b>	<b>4,719,238</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS</b>	<b>5,852,915</b>	<b>7,188,833</b>

# ACTIVE CASAs FY2024



Aceituno, Jessica	Barr-Fernandez, Marsha	Bulatao, Tristan	Cowan, Natalie
Adams, Frank	Bartholomew, David	Byrd, Kenisha	Craig, Amber
Adante , Devin	Baskin, Lisa N.	Califf, Sean	Craig, Judith
Adran, Celine	Bates Speaker, Edward	Campbell, Kristin Teresa	Crawford, Lynette
Afrasiabi, Mark	Baule, Steve	Campione, Katherine	Crawford, Sabine
Aguirre, Tyler	Bechler, Karen	Capodanno, Karin	Cripe, Jane
Akins, Janice	Bedecarre, William	Caravana, Linda	Crumley, Erin
Akintujoye, Oluwatoyin	Beljan, Renate	Carruthers, Kamille	Crusius, Gay
Alame, Tania	Belzer, Linda	Carter, Sandra	Cruze, Jason
Albert, Bruce	Benjamin, Rae'Mishka	Casani, Megan	Cuevas, Lisette
Albrecht, Nicole	Berme, Murat	Cebeci, Rabia	Curtis, Craig
Aldaddah, Tania	Bhasin, Gayatri	Chae, Connie	Cutler, Rebecca
Alders, Marla	Bhave, Aishwarya	Chais, William 'Bill'	Cyphert, Nathan
Alexander, Taylor	Bieker, Denise	Chais, Wrenn	Damian, Andrea
Alibay, Farah	Bierman, Michael	Chalukya, Meenal	Dancer Friedmann, Kelly
Altman, Dena	Bierman, Susan 'Susie'	Chamberlain, Jillian	Dang, Minh-Trang
Amon, Kristine "Kris"	Bilitch, Bonnie	Chandler-Cole, Charity	Daniels, Douglas
Amos, Melisande	Bilson, Renne	Chang, Julia	Danko, Ericka
Amy, René	Birnbaum, Courtney	Chapman , Christina	Danziger, Bruce
Anderson, Bruce	Bisharah, Daria	Chapman, Joshua	Dardon, Cindy
Andreatte, Eyonna	Blachowiak, Lauren	Childs, Victoria	Das, Shivani
Andres, Natalie	Blair, Janet	Christensen, David	Davidson, Allison
Applebaum, Gavriela	Bloom, Isabel	Christopher, Randy	Davis, Jennifer
Applebaum, Lise	Boatner, Lisa	Cimorelli, Carissa	Davis, Maya
Arana, Kelly	Bodner, Joseph	Clark, Holly	Davis, Victoria "Vicki"
Aratoon, Alyse	Bolkin, Bruce	Clausen, Jane	De Anda, Stephanie
Ardelean, Hana	Booth, Evelyn	Clements, William 'Chip'	De Angelis , Annie
Arias, Jonathan	Bosenko, Karina	Clough, Jackson	DelaTorre, Heather
Armas, Aura	Bostwick, Marianne	Cochran Morris, Anita	DeLine, Jamie
Armstrong, Christine	Bowles, Karen	Coffey, Missy	DesRosier, Danielle
Armstrong, Sarah	Bradfield-Davis, Madison	Cohan, Leila	Diaz, Miranda
Arnold, Terri	Brandes, Rebecca "Rebekah"	Cohen, Julie	Dickinson, Natalie
Auerbach, Jerry	Brashears, Nancy	Colbert, Julie	Diebel, Sarah
Babkow, Mary Rosalyn	Braude, Laurence	Cole, Polly	Ditel, Ronald
Babnik, Kaila	Brenner, Susan Toby	Connolly, Jennifer	Dimaggio, Donna
Bailey, Antoinette	Britch, Carlena	Cook, Kelly	Dodds, Lauren
Ball, David	Bron, Jacolyn	Cook, Mary	Dominguez, Lee Renee
Bamberger, Polly	Brown, Angelique	Cooper, Molly	Dominitz, Alexander
Banayan, Fariba	Brown, Jordan	Copeland, James	Doner, Emma
Baquet, Elizabeth	Bruner, Barbara	Core, Susan	Dorfman, Johnathan
Baravarian, Yas	Bruno, Noel	Cortes, Christina	Dossick, Joanne
Bar-El, Barry	Bryant, Frank	Corwith, Foster	Doxey, Sierra
Baronsky, Sara	Buchanan, Aubrey	Costigan, Miranda	Doyle , Tracy
	Buetow, Scott	Coulter, Austin	Driscoll, Maureen

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Druker, Jessica	Fournier, Severine	Grinberg, Benjamin	Howard, Shannon
Drummer, Kamerin	Frantela, Dayra	Guilfoyle, Angela	Howard, Sofie
Dullabaun, Debbie	Freeman, Jesse	Gunn, Johanna Jody	Howe, Julia
Dunnett, Cynthia	Freydig, Whitney	Haldeman, Molly	Howell, Sally
Dupont, Kristin	Friedrich, Mary Ann	Haldeman, Wendy	Hsing, Crystal
Dutil, Francoise	Froeling, Lori	Hall, Claire	Hume, Maiya
Dutton, Juliet	Fuentes, Theresa	Hall, Mary	Hunt, Daniel
Eck, Kristen	Fukuda, Ranko	Halliday Coyne, Melissa	Hunt, Marjorie
Edwards, Amanda	Fuller, Grace "Beth"	Hallman, Patrice	Hyland, Jennifer
Edwards, Elizabeth	Fuller, Michelle	Hamilton, Anne	Ibanez-Virnig, Tania
Ehrgott, Andrea	Gales, Starla	Hanbury, Diana	Ibole, Wisdom
Eiland, Abby	Galloway, Nelson	Hancock, Suzanne	Inlender, Tobi
Eisenmann, Amber	Gao, Jaynelle	Hansen, Bridget	Interian, Kathleen
Eisenstadt, Debra	Garcia, Ian	Hansen, Diane	Irving, Jeanne
Eklund, Don	Garcia, Lissette	Harada, Tracy	Isaak, Kristine
Elbaum, Richard	Gardner, Ashley	Harbers, Katrina	Isabel, Deanna
Elbert, Elsa	Garvey, Emily	Hardison, Bijan	Ismail, Aanya
Elg, Gretchen	Garvin, Tracey	Hargreaves, Janet	Itkin, Anthony
Elster, Susan "Susie"	Gewert, James	Harman, Chadwick	Izenberg, Maxwell
Emas, Shari	Giarla, Katherine	Harmon, Heidi	Jaffe, Glenn
Ensweiler, Aaron	Giarratano, Michelle	Harris, Dana	Jang, Mia
Escobedo Fatato, Natalie	Gilliam, Valerie	Harrison, Joan	Jarvis, Ardelle
Eve, Francynne	Glaser, Daniel	Hartley, Elizabeth	Jaspersen, Deliese
Fagerquist, Kathryn	Gleerup, Richard	Harvey, Amanda	Jaspersen, Richard "Mike"
Fahey, Hayley	Glick, Christian	Harvey, Gabrielle	Jeffery, Dona
Farrell, Hannah	Goddard, Christine	Hawes, Colin	Johnson, Amy
Farzinfarid, Parinaz	Godfrey, Beth	Hawthorne, Marcellina	Johnson, Christina
Favela, Azusena	Golden, Sarah	Hazama, Patricia	Johnson, Elizabeth
Feick, Kenneth	Goldin, Jared	Heard, Belinda	Johnson, Kathleen
Ferrer, Whitnee	Goldman, Kimberly	Herman, Candice	Johnson, Michael
Field, Barbara	Goldstein, Edward	Hernandez, Gloria	Johnson, Monica
Fields, Lianzi	Goldstein, Marcy	Hernandez, Luis	Judeh, Anwaar
Finch, Joy	Gomez, Nancy	Herod, Samuel	Juviler, Andree
Findley, Stephen	Gordon, Angela	Herrera, Jessica	Kagan, Ronald
Finlayson, Kirsten	Grady, Sheila	Herrera, Matthew	Kambe, Vivian
Finn-Lohmann, Rachel	Grant, Casey	Herron, Michael Bruce	Kaminsky Meyer, Mia
Fishman, Daniel	Green, Amanda	Herron, Susan	Kammeraad-Campbell,
Fitzgerald, Virginia "Ginny"	Green, Jonathan	Hinckley, Elizabeth	Abigail
Flagg, Stephanie	Greenberg, Krista	Hinman, Jennifer	Kang, Rosa
Flores-Rojo, Abraham	Greenspun-Gale, Ariel	Hockley, Maxine	Kanz, Kollyn
Fogel, Jo	Gregerson, Bryan	Hoffman, Hannah	Kaplan, Joan
Fonseca, Roberto	Grenot-Scheyer, Marquita	Holmes, Derrick	Kapoor, Nirja
Foster, Sharon	Griffin, Catharine	Hood, Siena	Karipineni, Silpa
Foulkes-Sutton, Catherine	Grimaldi, Michelle	Howard, Joel	Karp, Alexis

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Kasten, Jody	Leanse, Jill	Malaske-Samu, Kathleen	Miller, Susan
Keefe, James	Leavell, Charlene	Maloney, Emily	Milman, Lisa
Kellogg, Robert "Bob"	Ledgin, Kelsey	Malsch, Jennifer	Miner, Shannon
Kelly, Madeline	Lee, Amy	Manne, Jamie	Mirochnick, Audrey
Kelly, Marcella	Lee, Jennifer	Marchand, Michele	Mitchell, Teresa
Kennedy , Sarah	Lee, Yuh Myoung	Marcheski, Katherine	Mitnick, Eva
Kennedy, Krystal	Lefkowitz, Frann	Marcueyz, Axelle	Mittman, Deborah
Kernochan, Barbara	Lehrer, Ariella	Marias, Teri	Mochnick Abiragi, Kristin
Kim, Javon	Lehrner, Madeline	Markovic, Debra	Moe, Maggie
King, Brandye	Leifer , Stephanie	Martin, Debra	Moeller, Jill
Kinman, Chloe	LeMay, Richard	Martin, Jennifer	Mojibi, Kathy
Klebs, Amanda	Lemberger, Bari	Martinez, Rebekah	Molina, Kristen
Klein, Abby	Lennon, Christine	Martino-Weisberg , Emily	Molina, Lucia
Klein, Jordana	Leonard, James	Maruyama, Guyo	Moniz, Sarah
Kleinberger, Cameron	Levy, Julie	Marx, David	Montanez, Angel "Angelita"
Klenk, Kara	Levy, Molly	Mathewson, Melissa	Morelan, Cheryl
Kleppinger, Christina	Lewis, Dawn	Matkovich, Jenny	Morris Stateman, Lisa
Klorfein, Jason	Lewis, Kenneth	Matsushima, Diana	Morrissey, Taylor
Kobara, Anna	Liang, Xiao Fei	Maxey, Antonina	Morton, Elaine
Koenig, Danielle	Liftin, Hilary	May, Elizabeth	Moses, Ali
Kohlman, Jessie-Ann	Lindbloom, Angela	Maynard, Allyson	Mosley-Bremond, Otesha
Kohrs, Molly	Lipp, Rachel	Mazariego-Magana, Roxana	Moya, Christy
Kohrs, Nathan	Lissner, Krista	McBurney, Jeffrey	Mukai-Kim, Sandra "Sandy"
Kolman, Sebastin	Lister, Paul	McCabe, Paul	Muldaur, Tracey
Kon, Rebecca	Longarzo, Kathryn Kate	McConnell, Leah	Mullally, Alisha
Kontos, Afroditi	Longoria, Jerrod	McCreary, Brooke	Mumtaz, Rubaina
Kovachki, Jiaxin	Lopez Herndon, Loretta	McCuskey, Madeline	Murano, Kara
Kozlowski, Joseph	Lopez, Adriana	McDermott, Lauren	Myers, Katherine
Ksendzov, Jacob	Lopez, Ariel	McKendrick, Karen	Nachman, Victoria
Kubushyna, Oksana	Lopez, Bernice	McKenzie, Marcy	Nacion, Herbert
Kumar, Deborah 'Debby'	Lopez, Mary	McKinney Fox, Bethany	Natalizio, Michael
Kurtenbach, Lora	Lovingfoss, Judith	Measles, Nicole	Navarro, Angela
LaCour-Granados, Taylor	Lowery, Linda	Melon, Michael	Nealon, Meghan
Lake, Aimeelynne	Lui, Elvina	Menchaca, Jennifer	Negron, April
Lamarine, Kali	Luna, Jorge	Mendez, Dayrin	Neill, John
Lambert, Christina	Luna, Michael	Mendoza, Elsie	Nelson, Emily
Lamkie, Patricia	Lundby, Alyson	Menkin, Joseph	Neuner, Diane
Lantz, Franchesca	Lundy-Liope, Kimberly	Menoutis, Alexandra	Newman, Jeff
Lara, Marissa	Lynch, Susan	Merrill, Miranda	Newton, Oweeda
Larson, Jayne Amelia	Macdonald, Julie	Messman, Catherine	Nguyen, Julie
LaSalle, Kendra	Macomber, Ashley	Meyer, Brianne	Nguyen, Rose
Lasky, Beth	Magana, Alicia	Mika, Karen	Nicholas, Kelli
Lavin, Abigail	Magness, Sondra	Milana, Paolina	Nicholson, Kathryn
Lawenda, Marilyn	Makimoto-Landin, Sharon	Miller, Julia	Nipar, Yvette
Le, Mynga			

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Noble, Leah	Polson , Laurel	Rivas, Cecilia	Scully, Sara
Noble, Malea	Poon, Susan	Roach, Jason	Seaman, Natalie
Noiseux, Lynda	Poosti, Nikki	Robbins, Benjamin	Seeley, Karly
Noonan, Claudia	Pratt, Kristen	Robertson, Janet	Sera, Alexandra
Noonan, Jesse	Prawita, Olivia	Roche, Kelsie	Shanahan, Joey
Norensberg, Emily	Preciado, Denise	Rodarte, Maria	Shandell, Irene
Norris, Jennifer	Pressley, Daria	Rodriguez, Dayna	Shaw Hawkins, Gail
O'Brien, Colleen	Pressman-Elardo, Gina	Rodriguez, Gabriella	Sheiner, Robin
ODonnell, Ryan	Prezeau, Kerry	Rodriguez, Rose	Sheller, John
Olasa, Kayleigh	Price, Gwendolyn	Rojas, Myrna	Sherman, Anita
Oliva, Angelica	Prince, Carrie	Romero, Jessica	Shin, Ingrid
Oliver, Marissa	Prushan, Lynn	Romero, Pedro	Shultz, Alexandra
Olvera Lozano , Iliana	Pyzel, Anna Grace	Rosen, Karen	Sicard, Alfred
O'Neill, Chelsea	Quaintance, Rachel	Rosenbaum, Dennis	Siegel, Lauren
Oyarekhua, Aisha	Quinn, Chelsea	Rosenblum, Luba	Siegel, Sarah
Ozamoto, Michael	Quinn, Julie	Rubin, Miranda	Siegel, Tara
Page, Chelsea Mari	Quinn, Walker	Rudloff, Nikki	Siegrist, Melanie
Panameno, Michelle	Quintanilla , Marina	Rutigliano, Jeremy	Sievert, Molly
Pang, Karen	Quon Jr. , Charles	Ryan, Molly	Silberman, Jonathan
Paparella, Carmen	Rabotnick, Jason	Saber, Mandy	Silveria, Chelsey
Parada, Andrea	Rabwin, Amy	Saenz, Ahide 'Carolina'	Simeone, Mary
Paraz, Candice	Rader, Ashleigh	Safranek, Joel	Sims, Colette
Parker, Jill	Radow, Ann	Saladino, Matthew	Singh, Cassandra
Parry, Celia	Ragland, Brett	Salas, Laura	Sinha, Jennifer
Parthasarathy, Rajasree 'Raji'	Ramirez, Carmen	Sanchez, Carly	Sinness, Michelle
Pastore, Emma	Ramsburg, Katrina	Sandberg, Amanda	Skaggs, Kimberly
Patel, Khushali	Rawson, Douglas	Sanders, Carl	Sleeman, Allison
Patrick, Deborah	Redman, Richard Saintcroix	Sanderson, Brian	Smith, Alisa
Pauli, Judith	Redohl, McKenzi	Sandler, Tracy	Smith, Gillian
Payton-Stevens, Laryssa	Reed, Samantha	Sandoval, Silvia	Smith, Kathleen
Pederson, Christina	Rendon, Robert	Sarthou, Ryan	Smith, Kathleen "Kathy"
Pehrson, Dana	Renick, Candy	Sartorius, August	Smith, Kyle
Perera, Rangika	Resnik, Henry "Seth"	Savage, Lynne	Smith, Leigh Ann
Perez, Jennifer Lynne	Rezvani, Judy	Sayre, Kellianne	Smith, Neil
Perez-Vazquez, Sandra	Rhoden, Eric	Schaaf, Rebekah	Smothers, Melanie
Perkins, Robert	Rice, Holly	Scharetg, Elizabeth	Snow, Lara
Pernet, Bruno	Rich, Mary	Schiff, Monique	Sobhani, Sagar
Pfanschmidt, Brian	Richards, Jeremy	Schodolski, Vincent	Soto Flournoy, Patricia
Pfeifer, Allyson	Riggs, Gerald	Schroer, Eric	Souvercaze, Jacqueline
Pham, Joann	Rios, Dustin	Schwab, Sarah	Spacht, Julie
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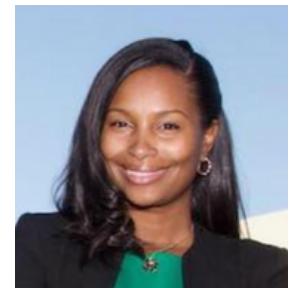
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# HOW TO HELP CHILDREN AND YOUTH



CASA of Los Angeles's mission is rooted in the principle that community volunteers can change the life of the most vulnerable children through providing long-term, one-on-one advocacy. Our mission is driven by hundreds of everyday people who have stepped into the role of advocate for children in Los Angeles County's child welfare system who have experienced abuse or neglect, as well as countless others who support this vital work. You have the power to make an impact.



**There are over 18,000 children in LA County's child welfare and juvenile justice systems who can benefit from the advocacy a CASA volunteer provides. Through your support and engagement, you can impact the life of a child who needs a CASA volunteer and give them the hope of a better future.**



## MAKE A TAX-DEDUCTIBLE DONATION

CASA/LA's program is founded on the principle that one long-term and consistent adult figure can change the trajectory of a child's life.



## ESTABLISH A MONTHLY DONATION

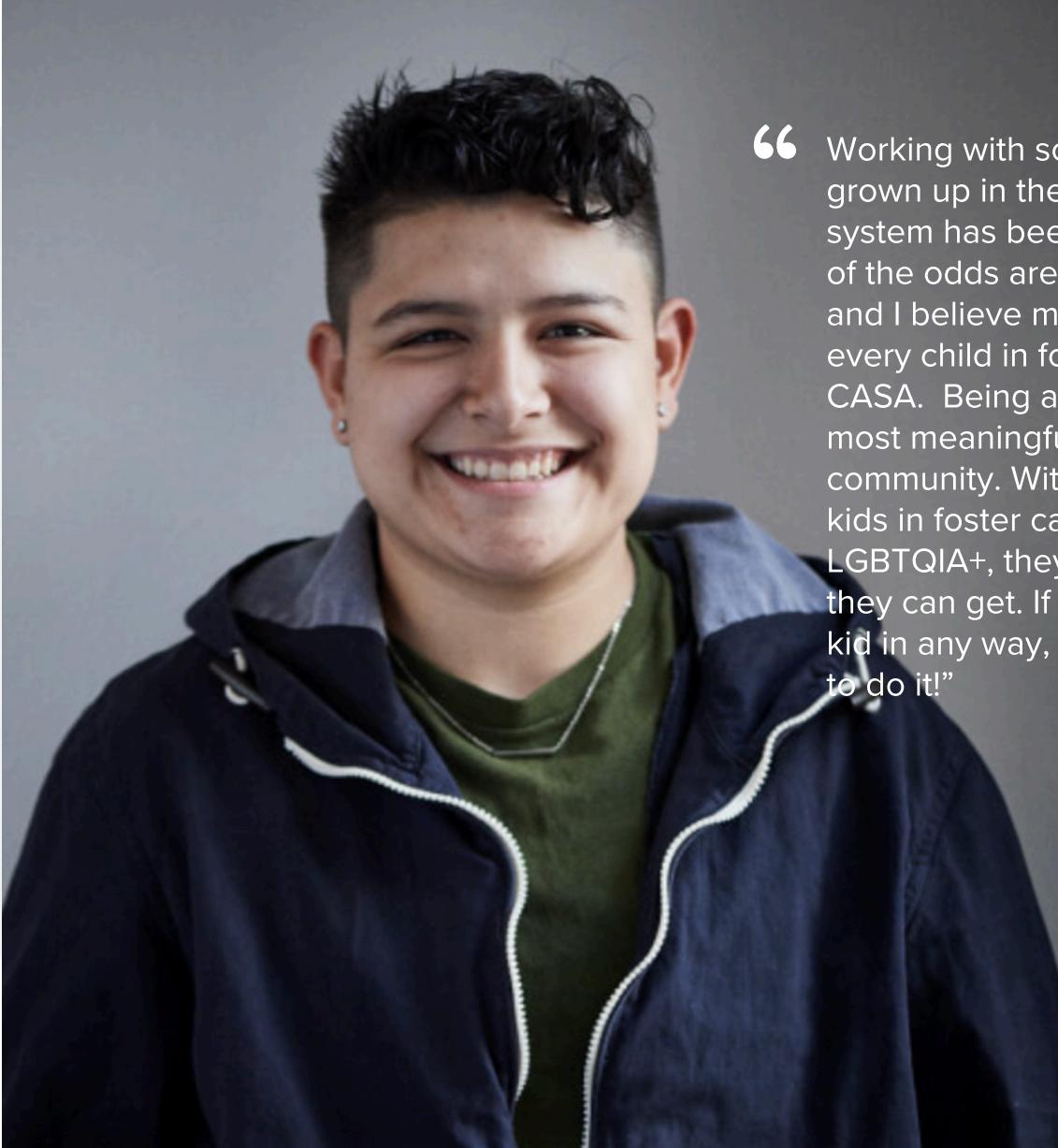
As a nonprofit organization, CASA/LA's programs are fueled by contributions from the public. Monthly donations are crucial to buffering our organization from the ups and downs of life, ensuring that there is no lull in service to the youth we serve.

## BECOME A CASA VOLUNTEER

Through an intentional and culturally responsive lens, we train committed, consistent and caring adults who can change the trajectory of a child's life through strengths-based advocacy and life-affirming connections.

## BECOME A COMMUNITY PARTNER

We provide our community partners with unique opportunities to align with our life-changing mission and demonstrate your community's commitment to advocating for youth and families in foster care.



“ Working with someone who has grown up in the Foster-care system has been humbling. Many of the odds are against Samantha and I believe more than ever that every child in foster care needs a CASA. Being a CASA is by far the most meaningful thing I do for my community. With over 20% of the kids in foster care being LGBTQIA+, they need all the help they can get. If you want to help a kid in any way, this is a great way to do it!” ”

Kimi, CASA

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