

2025 CASA Volunteer Advocate Training Dates

EVERY CHILD HAS A CHANCE -IT'S YOU.®

Session 1

*42 hours: 28 hrs class time, 13 hrs independent study, 1 hr court observation

Saturday	February 1	9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m
Saturday	February 8	9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m
Saturday	February 15	9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m
Saturday	March 8	9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m
Swearing In:	March 11	11:30 a.m.

Session 2 (Accelerated Course)

**42 hours, 20 hours class time, 21 hours independent study, 1 hr court observation

Tuesday	March 25	4:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Tuesday	April 1	4:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Tuesday	April 8	4:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Tuesday	April 15	4:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Tuesday	April 22	4:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Swearing In:	April 30	11:30 a.m.

Session 3

*42 hours: 28 hrs class time, 13 hrs independent study, 1 hr court observation

Swearing In:	July 22	11:30 a.m.
Tuesday	July 15	9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m
Tuesday	July 8	9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m
Tuesday	July 1	9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m
Tuesday	June 24	9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m

Session 4

*29.25 hours class time, 11.75 independent study, 1 hr court observation

Thursday	September 4	5:30 p.m. – 8:45 p.m
Tuesday	September 9	5:30 p.m. – 8:45 p.m
Thursday	September 11	5:30 p.m. – 8:45 p.m
Tuesday	September 16	5:30 p.m. – 8:45 p.m
Thursday	September 18	5:30 p.m. – 8:45 p.m
Tuesday	September 23	5:30 p.m. – 8:45 p.m
Thursday	September 25	5:30 p.m. – 8:45 p.m
Tuesday	September 30	5:30 p.m. – 8:45 p.m
Thursday	October 2	5:30 p.m. – 8:45 p.m
Swearing In:	October 8	11:30 a.m.

Session 5 (Accelerated Course)

*42 hours: 20 hrs class time, 21 hrs independent study, 1 hr court observation

Swearing In:	December 4	11:30 a.m.
Thursday	November 20	4:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Thursday	November 13	4:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Thursday	November 6	4:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Thursday	October 30	4:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Thursday	October 23	4:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Why Get Involved with CASA?

CASA is the only volunteer-based agency with a legal role, provided through court appointment, to advocate for children who are in the foster care system. Every single child we serve has been placed in foster care due to abuse or neglect. You can help make sure children in our community do not face the chaos of foster care alone and ensure they have the support of a CASA Volunteer who will represent their best interest.

THE CASA IMPACT!

- ► 386 children received the gift of a CASA and advocacy services from CASA of the South Plains in 2023.
- 205 CASA Volunteers donated a total of 6,791 hours in 2023, saving county taxpayers \$373,505 in county paid attorneys' fees.
- ► 121 youth in foster care found a loving and permanent home with the help of their CASA Volunteer in 2023.
- 92% of the school age children in foster care served by CASA Volunteers advanced to the next grade level.

Hear from CASA Supporters!

"CASA provides the advocacy that families need to survive the circumstances and come out stronger together. Children who are appointed a CASA Volunteer know they have someone they can depend on in their corner who watches over their best interests. Children and families learn to trust that there are people who want to help and care about families being reunited."

– Lou Anne, Current CASA Volunteer

"I need a CASA for every kid I have in care. CASA provides information I am normally not able to receive from any other source. The CASA role is very critical so that I am able to see both sides of the coin, what the child wants but also what's best for the child."

- Judge Kara L. Darnell, South Plains Foster Care Court



To learn more about volunteer requirements, or to register for an upcoming training session please call (806) 763-2272 or email <u>CASAcommunityoutreach@casaofthesouthplains.org</u>.



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