

CASA Youth Advocates, Inc. Volunteer Application

Qualifications and Personal Information

Thank you for your interest in becoming a volunteer and taking time to complete our application. This application can only be submitted electronically. Be sure to press the "SUBMIT" button at the end. You will have the ability to print a copy of the application for your records. You will be asked for 3 references, including email addresses. The application cannot be saved so you need to complete it in one sitting. This application takes approximately 30 minutes to complete. Thank you again.

Qualifications

Are you at least 21 years old? Yes No

Personal Information

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| First Name | Gender |
| Middle Name | Hispanic |
| Last Name | Race |
| SSN | Birthdate |
| AKA | Home Email |
| Address | Work Email |
| Address 2 | Home Phone |
| City | Cell Phone |
| State | Work Phone |
| Zip | Best Phone |
| County | |

Marital Status

Primary Language

Education

Type

Degree

Major

Contact Information

Please provide at least one emergency contact.

Emergency Contacts

First Name

Last Name

Phone

Phone 2

Relationship

Experience

Please tell us about any personal and/or professional experience you have with the following agencies, organizations or areas. You are not required or expected to have any experience in these areas to be a volunteer.

Child Protective Agencies Yes No
If yes, Explanation:

Foster Care Yes No
If yes, Explanation:

Juvenile Court Yes No
If yes, Explanation:

Other Child Service Agencies Yes No
If yes, Explanation:

Child Abuse or Neglect Yes No
If yes, Explanation:

Domestic Violence Yes No
If yes, Explanation:

Mental Illness/Mental Health Treatment Yes No
If yes, Explanation:

How did you hear about our program?

Volunteer Experience

Please tell us about any personal and/or professional experience you have with community and volunteer organizations.

Organization Name

Supervisor First Name

Supervisor Last Name

From Date

To Date

Responsibilities

Reason for Leaving

Employment

Please tell us about your work history.

Employment History

Career Type

Status

Current Employer

Job Title

Company

Address

Address2

City

State

Zip Code

Responsibilities

Work Hours

From

To

Reason for Leaving

Supervisor First Name

Supervisor Last Name

Permission to contact

Phone No.

Vehicle Information

Please tell us about your ability to travel to and from CASA and court events.

Do you have access to a vehicle?

Yes No

Driver's License Number

State

Exp. Date

Auto Insurance Company

Exp. Date

Vehicle Related Questions

As a CASA volunteer you will be responsible for providing your own transportation to court hearings, team meetings, and CASA events. Will access to reliable transportation pose any

difficult for you? If yes, please explain how you plan to overcome this obstacle.
If yes, Explanation:

Yes No

Background Information

Background

Please answer the following questions. For each question, please begin by selecting the "YES" option and then type your answer in the box provided. If YES, please provide a brief description.

Briefly explain what led to your interest in being a CASA and how you hope to benefit from the volunteer experience. Please begin by selecting the "YES" button and then typing your answer in the box provided.

If yes, Explanation:

Yes No

Briefly explain your philosophy on parenting, including the rights and responsibilities of both parents and children. Please begin by selecting the "YES" button and then typing your answer in the box provided.

If yes, Explanation:

Yes No

Briefly explain what role you believe society should have in protecting the rights of children and in helping families overcome hardships to remain living together. Please begin by selecting the "YES" button and then typing your answer in the box provided.

If yes, Explanation:

Yes No

Please write a three to four paragraph autobiography. Please begin by selecting the "YES" button and then typing your answer in the box provided.

If yes, Explanation:

Yes No

CASA Youth Advocates offers both daytime and evening training classes throughout the course of the year. In the box provided, please indicate your training preference, choosing between Day, Night or No Preference. Please begin by selecting the "YES" button and then typing your answer in the box provided.

If yes, Explanation:

Yes No

Criminal History

Pennsylvania law requires that CASA volunteers have criminal history and child abuse checks completed. CASA/Youth Advocates, Inc. reserves the right to make any checks deemed necessary to determine your suitability to serve as a CASA. All information obtained will be held in strictest confidence. CASA reserves the right to reject potential volunteers who do not pass required criminal and child abuse clearances.

Have you ever been convicted of a crime other than a traffic violation? If yes, please explain the nature of the conviction and indicate when and where the offense was committed. Please note, any applicant found to have been convicted of, or having charges pending for a felony or misdemeanor involving a sex offense, child abuse or neglect or related acts that would pose risks to children or the program's credibility will not be accepted as a CASA volunteer.

If yes, Explanation:

Yes No

Do you consent to a routine check of your criminal record? If yes, please type your name in the box provided.

If yes, Explanation:

Yes No

Personal References

Personal References: (someone other than relatives and at least one reference from someone other than a friend or co-worker, for an example: teacher, civic organization(s) contact that you are a member of, or employer)

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| First Name | Address |
| Last Name | Address 2 |
| Phone | City |
| Relationship | State |
| Email | Zip Code |
| First Name | Address |
| Last Name | Address 2 |
| Phone | City |
| Relationship | State |
| Email | Zip Code |
| First Name | Address |
| Last Name | Address 2 |
| Phone | City |
| Relationship | State |
| Email | Zip Code |

Agreement

Please answer the following questions.

CASAs participate in court hearings approximately every 6 months. Can you arrange your schedule to attend daytime hearings? Yes No

Are you willing to commit to a minimum of one year of volunteer service? Yes No

Release

By submitting this application electronically, I hereby affirm that all of the answers provided on this volunteer application are true. **I hereby authorize the CASA program and any law enforcement agency that CASA authorizes, to verify my social security number and investigate my background to determine my fitness as a potential volunteer advocate.**

I understand that the information requested in this application will be used only for the purpose of determining my suitability as a CASA volunteer. Further, I understand that completion of training does not guarantee that I will be assigned a case. If I have successfully completed the training and have met all other requirements, and it has been determined that I am a suitable volunteer, I understand that I will be expected to serve a minimum of one year in the CASA program. If unforeseen circumstances prevent me from fulfilling this obligation, I will submit my written resignation to the program director with as much advance notice as possible. I am aware of the sensitive and confidential nature of the official documents, reports and other material I will examine in my capacity as a CASA volunteer. I will discuss these matters only with those persons directly involved in the case or who will be consulted for their professional knowledge and expertise.

I also understand that if for any reason it becomes apparent that my activities are contrary to the policies, goals and/or philosophy of the CASA program, and their desire to provide quality services to abused and neglected children, my services as a CASA volunteer will be terminated.

I submit the statements on this application are true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge. I understand that falsification on this application can disqualify me from consideration or can result in dismissal at a later time.

CASA does vow to treat any and all applicants with respect and dignity. If in the event that the applicant is not chosen for any reason, CASA will make a recommendation of other opportunities for the applicant.

Thank You

We appreciate the time you took completing our application. Following a review, a member of our staff will contact you regarding the next steps. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact the office. For security, please close your browser.