

ANNUAL IMPACT 2023



CASA

Court Appointed Special Advocates

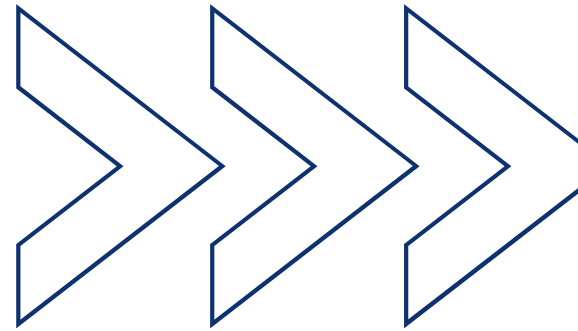
FOR CHILDREN

CASA OF FLOYD COUNTY

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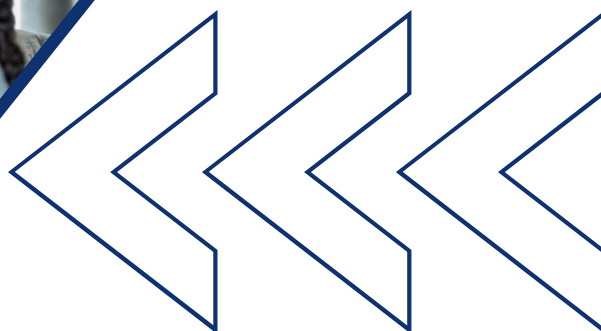
CASA OF FLOYD COUNTY

Volunteers are assigned to a case and get to know the child by talking with parents and relatives, foster parents, teachers, medical professionals, attorneys, social workers, and others. They use the information they gather to help judges and others understand what the child needs and to help the child find a safe, permanent home.



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A MESSAGE FROM OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



As we reflect on all the changes and work of CASA this past year, there is much to be proud of. Our CASA volunteers and staff have continued to provide unparalleled advocacy for youth navigating the child welfare system in Floyd County. Time and again, we see how CASAs are the crucial link between the court, service providers, and building resilience in a child who is experiencing uncertainty. In the year to come, CASA will continue to be a consistent, supportive presence in the lives of children in foster care.

Below are just a few highlights of our accomplishments in 2023 that could not have been achieved without the tireless work of our volunteers and staff and the support of our community, donors, and diligent board of directors:

- CASA provided consistent connection, hope, and advocacy to 471 abused and neglected children in 2023.
- The program received grant funding to serve children and families who have open Informal Adjustment Cases, providing an extra layer of support, consistency, and access to resources.
- The agency has also improved its volunteer onboarding process, adding more training, resources, and support for new and existing volunteers.

Thank you for working alongside us to accomplish these amazing outcomes and support the reason we exist—the children. Your support throughout 2023 brings us hope for our community and the children we serve. We simply could not do it without you!

Yours in Advocacy,

Lauren Broderick
Executive Director
CASA Floyd County



WHY CASA?

2023 FACTS & IMPACT

46 Advocates

5100+ Hours Served

471 Children's Lives **CHANGED!**



Number of volunteer court-appointed special advocates in Floyd County

38

471

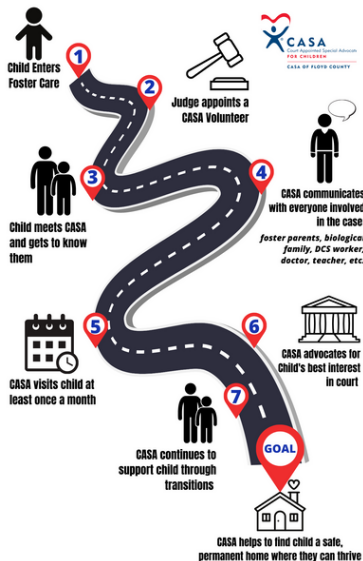
Number of children served by CASA of Floyd County in 2023

Number of confirmed victims of child abuse or neglect in Indiana in 2023

14,163

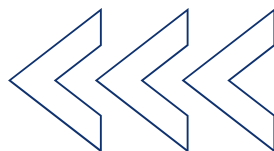
\$909

is the amount of money it takes CASA of Floyd County to serve one child for one year



WHAT DOES CASA DO?

Follow a CASA volunteer's journey to help a child find their forever home.



WHAT IS A CASA VOLUNTEER?

CASA OF FLOYD COUNTY

When a child enters the foster care system because his or her home is no longer safe, a judge may appoint a committed volunteer to help them. That volunteer is called a Court Appointed Special Advocate®, or CASA.

- Are background checked and **HIGHLY TRAINED**
- Are **APPOINTED BY A JUDGE** to represent and advocate for a child's best interests in the child welfare system
- Serve as the "EYES AND EARS" of the court
- **RESEARCH** each child's situation
- Make **OBJECTIVE RECOMMENDATIONS** to help each child reclaim their childhood from abuse and neglect
- Are frequently the **ONLY STABLE PRESENCE** in the child's life as they navigate the foster care system
- Save taxpayers money and children's futures by helping children find **SAFE, PERMANENT HOMES** where they can thrive

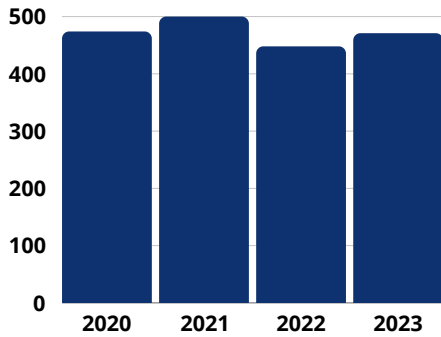
WHO ARE CASA VOLUNTEERS?

CASA volunteers are people just like you - compassionate and self-motivated individuals from the community. They come from all backgrounds and walks of life. They are passionately committed to make a difference in the life of a child entangled in an overburdened foster care system.

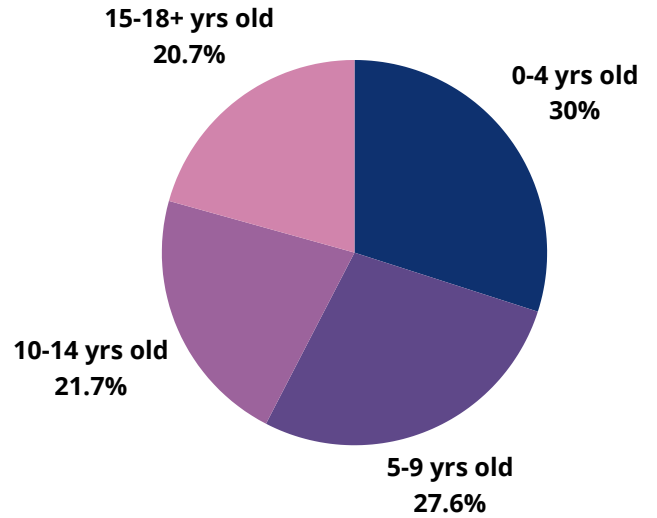


2023 CHILD STATISTICS

Number of Children Served by Year



Children by Age

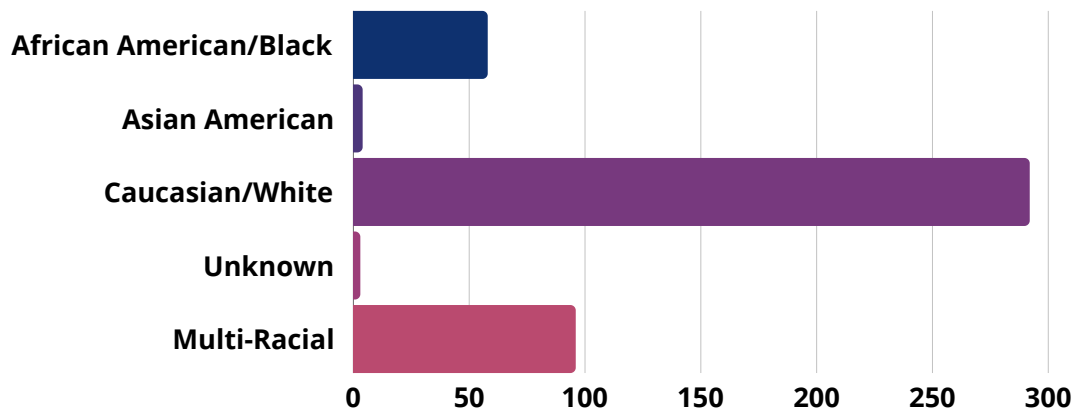


Children by Gender



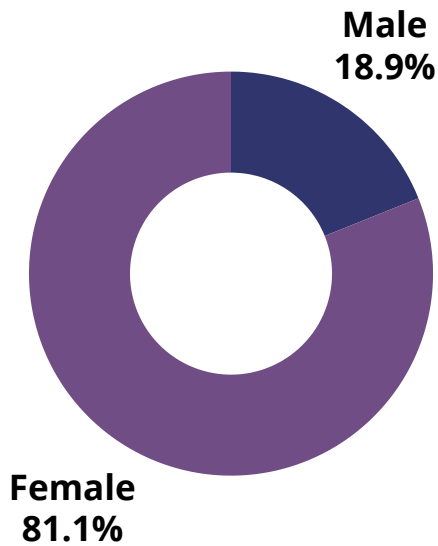
The average age of a child in CASA's program is roughly 8 years old

Children by Ethnicity & Race

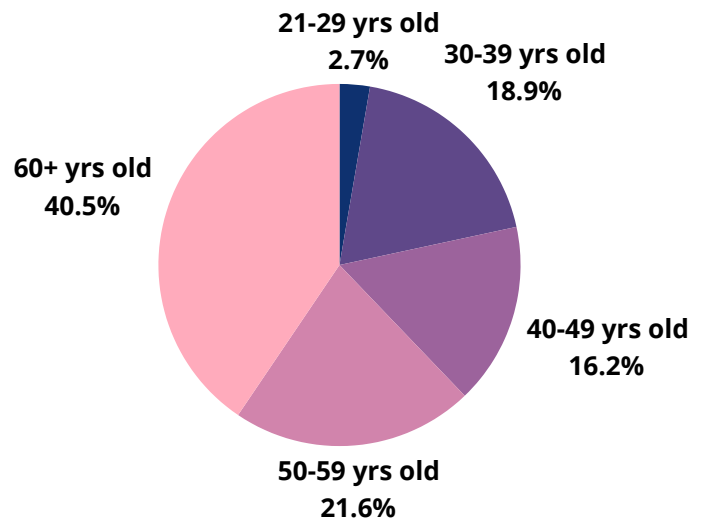


2023 VOLUNTEER STATISTICS

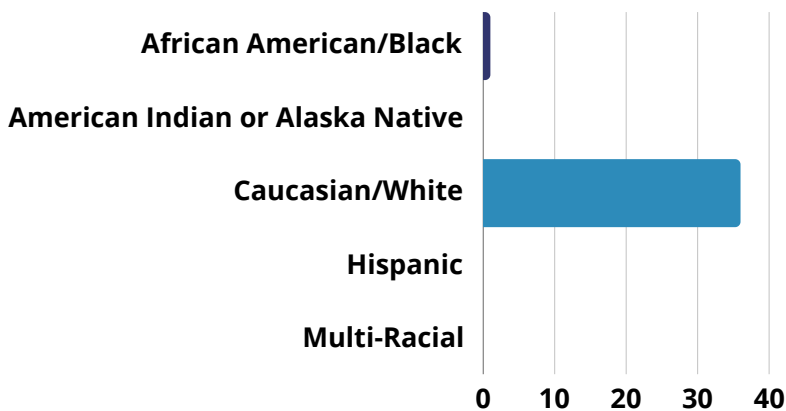
Volunteer by Gender



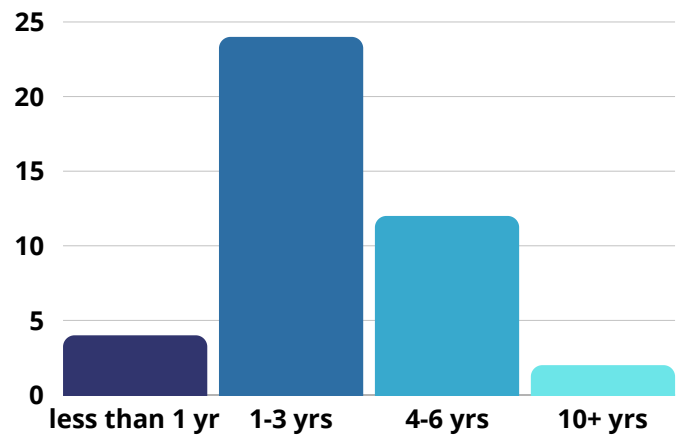
Volunteer by Age



Volunteer by Ethnicity & Race

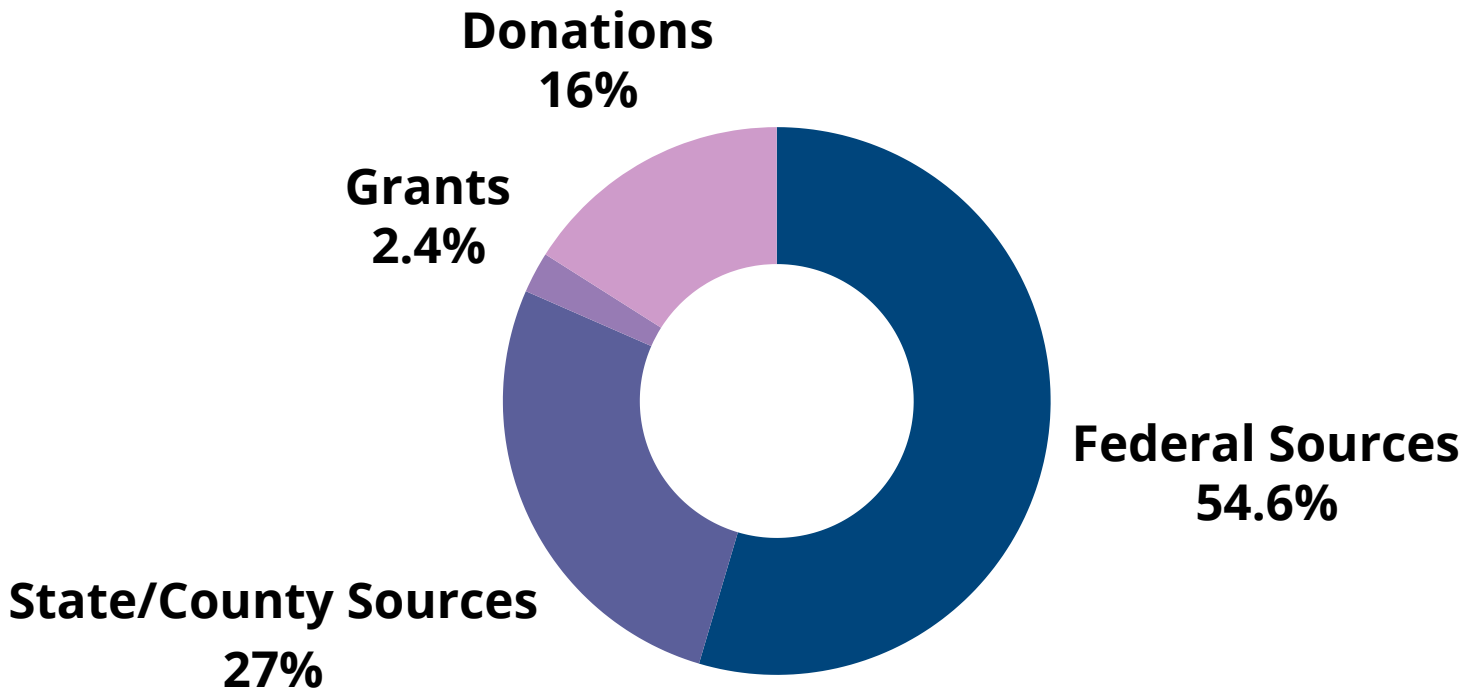


Volunteer Tenure

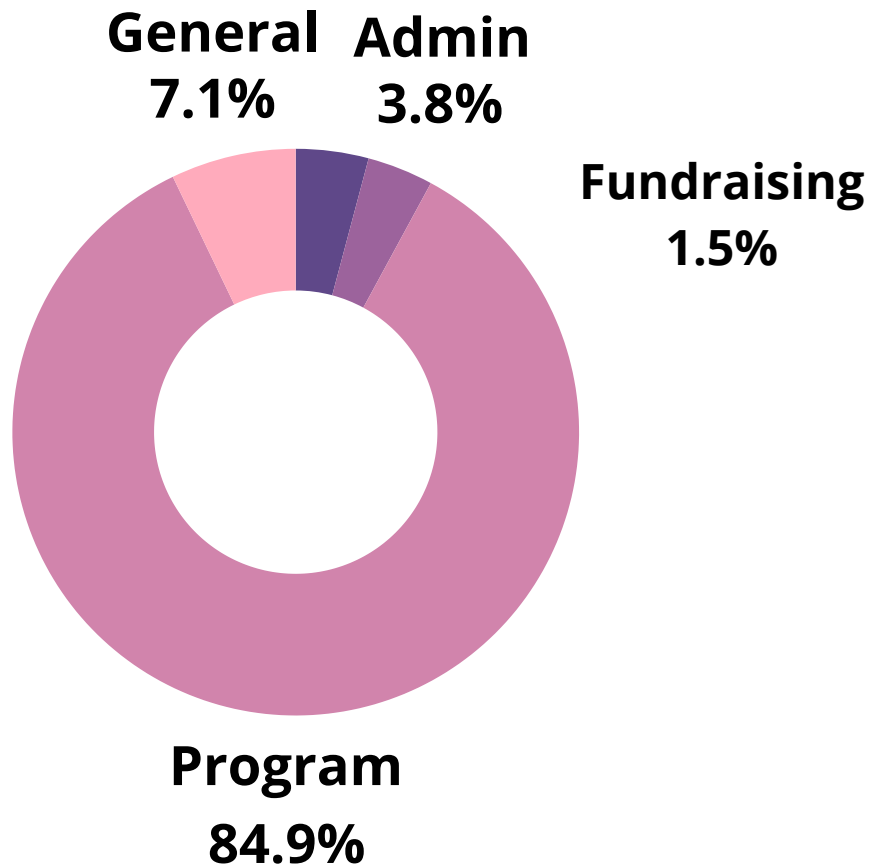


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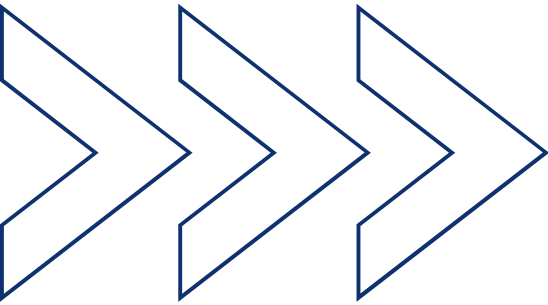
Alaina Pryor

Kaylee Ferguson

Dawn Adkins

Tatum Nieto

Carrie Faith



ADVOCATES BY YEARS OF SERVICE

15 + YEARS

Roger Whaley
Marion Wislow

5-6 YEARS

Rebecca Didelot
Ellen Faye
Cathy Higgins
Tshea Barbee
Ann Day
Denise Hunt
Rhiannon Ryan
Angela Thomas
Maria Triplett
Dawn Adkins
Peggy Snook

1-3 YEARS

Amanda Bain
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Jessica Bransford
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Paul LaBelle
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Tammy Roos
Julie Trueblood
Sally Newkirk
Jon Pearce
Wendy Skaggs
Haley Waiz
Joe Wayne
Cheryl Weatherholt
Matthew Weigmann
Kayla Ulrich

NEW ADVOCATES

Lisa Arvizu
Sarah Millies
Anne Renner-Evans
Garrett Browning



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ADVOCACY RISING GALA



On Friday, April 28, 2023, over 180 community members from across Southern Indiana joined in the celebration at Huber Plantation Hall. Attendees were greeted by whimsical theming and enjoyed carnival games and cocktails during the reception. The program was emceed by local philanthropist Angie Fenton and featured surprise musical performances by well-known locals, Ella Unruh, Maria Granger, and Matthew Schad of The Goats. A compelling CASA story received a standing ovation, and attendees closed out the night by popping over 40 balloons filled with mystery prizes. One lucky winner even took home a Pappy Van Winkle 12-year bourbon!



OVER \$45,000 RAISED!

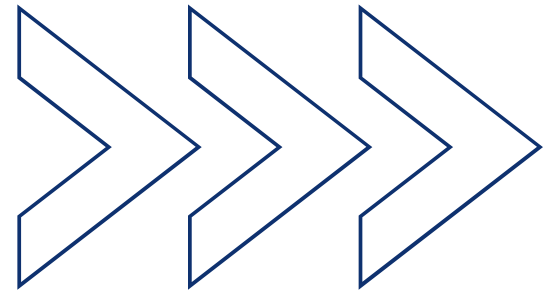
\$6,590 games

\$29,471 sponsorships & tickets

\$9,012 donations



ADVOCACY RISING



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THE LILLY ENDOWMENT

A heartfelt thank you to the Lilly Endowment for making CASA of Floyd County a Strengthening Youth Programs in Indiana 2023 Grant award recipient. Through the generous support of the endowment CASA has been able to expand it's services to include children with open Informal Adjustment Cases and has enhanced our fundraising endeavors.



Lilly Endowment Inc.

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