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Please help us welcome our newest CASA team member!



Hi, my name's Enzo and I'm the newest member of the CASA team. My mom, Eliza is the Executive Director, but we all know I'm the boss! I like to be punctual and came into the world on my due date, February 28th weighing in at 8 pounds 9 ounces and 21 inches long. Some of my favorite things are my binky, swing and bottle. My least favorite thing is bath time! I'm really enjoying all the extra time and snuggles I'm getting with my mommy, but she'll be back to work soon. I know I have to share her with the kids CASA serves and that's okay!

From Our Finance Director Lisa

On Saturday, April 28, 2018 we will have a fundraiser at the Do It Best RHV Hardware store in Abilene Kansas. Everyone who shops that day will receive a coupon worth 20% off all non sale items. Use that coupon and 10% of your sale will benefit CASA of the 8th Judicial District. It's a perfect time to get all that you need for your spring gardening or other items that you need and help CASA at the same time.



We are very excited to announce our new partnership with the United Way of Flint Hills. We recently received a grant from the United Way of Flint Hills. These funds will be used help support our Council Grove office. We look forward to working with the United Way of Flint Hills.

Dickinson County Happenings

Tiffany Clark Speaks at Abilene Open House

It was an honor to have Tiffany Clark, CASA Volunteer Advocate, speak at the Abilene Open House that was held on February 18, 2018. Tiffany spoke about her experience as a volunteer and how she specifically changed the course of one child's life through advocacy and support. Tiffany encouraged attendees to become CASA Volunteer Advocates.

Tiffany discussed the positive impact CASA Volunteer Advocates have on the lives of the children they serve. Tiffany relayed how important it is for each child to have a consistent and caring adult in his/her life. CASA Volunteer Advocates are able to be this adult by being involved and advocating for the child while the child's case is in the court system. Some advocates are also able to continue being a part of the child's life after the child's case has been closed. Most importantly, CASA Volunteer Advocates help CASA children receive safe, permanent, and nurturing homes.



Abilene Ice Cream Social

There's nothing like a delicious bowl of ice cream on the first day of summer! CASA of the 8th Judicial District will be having a Come-and-Go Ice Cream Social on Thursday, June 21, 2018 from 11:30 a.m. -

1:30 p.m. at The Venue on Broadway at 203 N. Broadway in Abilene. Those attending will be able to learn more about the CASA program by visiting with current volunteers and listening to a guest speaker. We are looking forward to having people of all ages join

CASA of the 8th for this fun event!

From Our Volunteer Coordinator



Do you care about your community but don't know how you can be more involved? Do you and someone you know care about child safety? If your answer is YES then you could be a great CASA. Bring a friend to one of our many Open House events and hear directly from some of our current CASA's just how rewarding it can be to provide a voice to a child. Trainings are completely FREE, we provide all the training supplies and information you need to become a great advocate for the abused and neglected children of the 8th Judicial District. If you are already a certified CASA and know someone you think could make a positive impact on a child's life please share my contact information, I would be happy to share information about our program and answer any questions they may have.

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Morris and Marion County Happenings

You know me, always staying busy and willing to share information about CASA!

I participated in Coffee with CASA on Friday March 23rd, in Dwight, I had the pleasure of speaking with several community members about our program.

I also hosted a "pop up" informational meeting in Marion

county on March 29th I had several individuals stop by to learn about CASA'S mission.

On May 8th 2018 I will be presenting to the Chamber of Commerce of Hillsboro.

New Partnership in Marion County

We are very excited about our new partnerships in Marion county. CASA received a grant from the Peabody Community Foundation for \$500.00 and a grant for \$1,000.00 from the Hillsboro Community Foundation. This is the first time we have ever received either of these grants. This funding will be contributed to continuing our volunteer recruitment efforts in Marion county.

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On Saturday, May 12, 2018 will be having our 3rd Annual CASA Run For the Child 5K. This year we will be doing a timed run as well as a fun run/walk. Following the 5K we will be having a silent auction and a donation only pancake breakfast. We invite you your family and friends to come join us for the 5K, silent auction, and the free pancake breakfast. For more information go to our website: www.casa8jd.org/5k

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