



CASA for Children of DC Application and Screening Process

The first step to becoming a CASA volunteer is to understand our program requirements. Before submitting your application and references, CASA DC asks that you:

- Are at least 21 years of age;
- Can commit to one year of service;
- Consent to a criminal and reference background check.

After we have received all of the necessary forms, you will be scheduled for an interview with someone on our staff. If invited to join our program, please expect to attend thirty (30) hours of new volunteer training. Please note training is a part of the screening process. Upon completion of training you will meet with staff to determine your readiness to move forward.

Once readiness is determined, you will be sworn in by a judge, taking your oath of confidentiality. You will then be an active CASA and available for assignment as an advocate for a child or youth! After being sworn in, you will:

- Participate in a court shadowing;
- Work 10 – 15 hours a month on a case;
- Attend 12 hours of in-service trainings per year;
- Be eligible to participate in the Volunteer Advisory Committee and CASA DC networking events.

We appreciate your interest and look forward to working with you throughout this process! If you have any additional questions or concerns, please contact our office at (202) 887-0007.