

Louisiana Justice Work 2026



CASA volunteers work with the court systems to provide a voice for children. In a system where the adults have legal council to argue for their desires, CASA allows the children who are caught in the middle someone to listen to their needs and wishes. You can be involved by becoming a volunteer, or by funding those who are able to volunteer.

CASA provides the following for our member programs:

1. **Training and Curriculum**

We create research-based trainings, such as our e-learning series on educational advocacy, and continuously improve our core volunteer training curriculum. Our annual conference is an opportunity for anyone involved in the CASA/GAL movement to gain expertise that will help them be more effective.

2. **Technical Assistance and Quality Assurance**

We offer extensive technical assistance to help programs serve more children more effectively, and a set of standards that provide a framework for quality program management. Each state organization and local program participates in an assessment process led by National CASA/GAL, and we set membership criteria that programs adhere to.

3. **Volunteer Recruitment and Public Awareness**

We develop and coordinate national campaigns to help programs recruit CASA/GAL volunteers and raise awareness about child abuse and neglect.

4. **Resource Development and Grants**

We provide pass-through funding to state and local CASA/GAL programs through a competitive grants process. Grant funding comes primarily from the Department of Justice, but also from private corporations and foundations.

Learn more about [National CASA/GAL's role](#) in supporting programs nationwide.

Learn about [our model](#).

Judges have reported that CASA/GAL volunteers or staff have the most significant impact on promoting long-term well-being (92.2%), followed by ensuring appropriate services for children and families (83%) and promoting psychological well-being (79.9%).

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