

JANUARY 2025 NEWSLETTER

CASA for Children of Klamath County



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A NOTE FROM OUR DIRECTOR

Happy New Year!

We hope you all had a wonderful holiday season spending it with those you love most.

Thanks to you, Gifts for the Child was a huge success! This year, we were able to provide over 500 gifts to children and families in need. We were even able to share our wealth with Chiloquin Elementary, delivering holiday cheer to more than 25 additional kiddos! Thank you again to all of you who donated, wrapped, and delivered gifts. It was awesome to connect with each of you this holiday season.

As we plan for 2025, we have decided to take this year to focus on recruiting, training, and supporting our advocates. While this means that our beloved CASAblanca Gala will be on a hiatus for 2025, it also means we really get to prioritize the heart of our organization: YOU! We simply need more CASAs to ensure we're offering the best possible advocacy to our local children.

If you have any friends, groups, or agencies that you think might be good for us to contact for potential new volunteers, please let us know! We want to make your advocacy as successful and enjoyable as possible. Please let us know if you have any other suggestions on how we can provide you the most fulfilling volunteer experience.

We will continue to fund raise in smaller, more manageable ways so please be on the look out for events springing up in the future.

Once again, Happy New Year and thank you for all you do to make our organization what it is. You are the reason these children are able to feel heard and seen.

Warmly,



2025 CASA Pre-Service Training

All training takes place online from
5:30PM - 8:00PM PST.



February Schedule

2/4	Chapter 1	Volunteer Role, Competencies, Parameters, Child Welfare Law/System
2/6	Chapter 2	Children's Needs, Attachment, MSL, Best Interest, Abuse and Neglect
2/11	Chapter 2.5	ACES, Communication, Interview, Effective Recommendations
2/13	Chapter 4	Mental Illness, Poverty, Confidentiality, Case Notes
2/18	Chapter 5	Substance Abuse, Culture, Diversity
2/20	Chapter 6	Domestic Violence, Culture and Perceptions, Advocacy
2/25	Chapter 7	Resilience, Concurrent Planning, Educational Challenges, Advocacy Across Ages, LGBTQ Youth
2/27	Chapter 8	Review, Local Documents, Panel of Volunteers, Support

Note: Training dates that land on holidays will be offered as independent study or makeup.

In addition to the virtual classroom sessions and some work on your own, prior to case assignment, you will need to have at least 3 court hearing observations and tour the DHS Office.

Virtual Hours: 20
Pre-Work Hours: 10

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EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES

Articles

- [10 New Year's Resolution Ideas For Foster Parents*](#)
By Bryan Hoffstetter
- [The Importance of Goal-Setting for Teens*](#)
Boys and Girls Clubs of America
- [Learning Goals for the New Year*](#)
Oxford Learning
- [Advice For New Foster Parents*](#)
fostercare.com

*Clickable Link

Please remember to track your educational hours on Optima.

IMPORTANT DATES

January

- Mentoring Month
- Slavery and Human Trafficking Prev. Month
- National Giving Month
- 1/1 New Year's Day
- 1/9 National Day of Mourning (Office Closed)
- 1/20 Martin Luther King Jr. Day
- 1/29 Lunar New Year

February

- 2/4 CASA Pre-Service Training Begins



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- 1/12 Rachel Johnson

