

# DID YOU KNOW?

State employees get PAID  
time off each month to  
volunteer for CASA!



**Please contact your HR department for more details.**

According to Texas Gov't Code Section 661.921 "A state employee may be granted leave not to exceed five hours each month to participate in mandatory training or perform volunteer services for Court Appointed Special Advocates without a deduction in salary or loss of vacation time, sick leave, earned overtime credit, or state compensatory time."

## WHAT DO CASA VOLUNTEERS DO?

- CASA volunteers are ordinary people just like you. They come from all walks of life, just like the children in foster care they help.
- A Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) volunteer gathers information from everyone involved in a child's daily life, including members of the child's family, foster parents, teachers, lawyers, social workers and other relevant persons. Then, they report to a judge to advocate for the child's best interests.
- Ideally, CASA volunteers will work towards reuniting the child with their family of origin whenever safe, and if reunification is not possible, they may recommend placing the child with extended family or family friends.



Commit to 10-15  
hours every month  
for at least 1 year.



Go through a  
criminal and CPS  
background check.



Have the desire,  
patience and heart  
to work with children  
and families.



Participate in  
in-depth training  
sessions.



Be over 21  
years old.



**CONTACT YOUR LOCAL PROGRAM TO GET STARTED!**

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