



Monthly Newsletter

November, 2025

CASA of Bastrop, Fayette & Lee Counties

Our CASA Program was voted first place for Bastrop County's Best in the Non-Profit for Children & Youth Services category!



We couldn't have gotten here without you!

Thank you to everyone who voted for our CASA Program. We won First Place for Non-Profit in Children & Youth Services in the **Best of Bastrop County** contest for 2025!

Upcoming Events for November '25



CASA Bake Sale at the Heroes & HotRods Veteran's Day Weekend Car Show

Find our CASA Program's Bake Sale Booth in Downtown Bastrop by the County Courthouse on Saturday, Nov. 8th from 9AM-3PM.



Register for the Trot with Tracy's for CASA 5k FunRun & Walk Now!

Registration is \$35/ participant
Kids 12 and under participate free with an adult!
100% of proceeds go to our CASA Program.
Raffle tickets available to add-on with registration \$5 each or 5 for \$20



Volunteer for the Trot with Tracy's for CASA 5k FunRun & Walk Now!

Registration Fee waived for volunteers.
Must be 15 or older to sign up.
Volunteers will meet the week before the 5k.
Find links to register or volunteer at casabfl.org

What you should know about adoption and foster care:



Adoption is not as common in foster care as you might think.

#NationalAdoptionMonth



SAFE - LOVED - HOME

November is National Adoption Month

In honor of Adoption Month, we want to address some common myths! There are many misconceptions about foster care and adoption, which can lead to confusion about the process and the needs of children in foster care. A more informed community helps create better outcomes for both children and families.

Learn more about what you SHOULD know about adoption & foster care at bit.ly/TexasCASAAAdoption



Our CASA Office Will Be Closed On-

- Veteran's Day, Tuesday November 11th
- Thanksgiving - November 26th-28th

HAPPY
*Thanks
Giving*



PARTNER WITH CASA OF BASTROP, FAYETTE & LEE COUNTIES TO BE A MONTHLY DONOR



Be a Bridge of HOPE

Established 2025

HELP US PLAN AHEAD!

SIGN UP AS A STRATEGIC DONOR
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- GOLD SPONSOR- DONOR'S CHOICE
- SILVER SPONSOR- \$250 MONTHLY
- BRONZE SPONSOR- \$100 MONTHLY
- COPPER SPONSOR- \$25 MONTHLY



THANK YOU FOR YOUR COMMITMENT TO BRINGING HOPE TO THE CHILDREN OF BASTROP, FAYETTE & LEE COUNTIES WHO ARE FACING A CHALLENGING TIME IN THEIR FAMILIES LIVES. TOGETHER, WE CAN MAKE A BIG IMPACT

Look for these **Be a Bridge of Hope** rack cards at businesses in your area to sign up as a **CASA Bridge Builder Monthly Donor** for our program.

Visit the Monthly Donor Tab at casabfl.org to see how becoming a Bridge Builder helps our CASA Program provide the best advocacy possible for children and youth who have been removed from their homes for allegations of neglect and abuse in Bastrop, Fayette & Lee Counties.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!



CASA volunteers advocate for the best interest of the children they serve.

becomeacasa.org

Next Volunteer Session begins in Jan. '26

CASA of Bastrop, Fayette & Lee Counties endeavors to provide trained volunteer advocates in all abuse and neglect foster care cases assigned by the courts. CASA Volunteers are screened and highly trained, and then appointed by judges to represent and advocate for a child's best interest in the child protection system. To learn more about becoming a CASA Volunteer, please call 512.409.0771 or visit becomeacasa.org

You can also contact our recruiter/trainer, Rita Coduto at: casabfl.org/volunteer/
rita.coduto@casabfl.org
office: (512) 303-2272

This November, We're Grateful for Adoption Month and Stand Sunday!

Be a Part of Stand Sunday on November 9th.

Stand Sunday is a worldwide day of recognition and prayer for those involved in the child welfare system and those who advocate for a better future for children and families.

On this day, take a moment to yourself or share a prayer with your faith community to show your support of families, CASA Volunteers, Social Workers and anyone else affected by the child welfare system.



*To lead a moral, virtuous life, we must value and care for **all people**, including those less fortunate than ourselves.*

Since 2004, churches across the country have shown their commitment to supporting the most vulnerable populations in their communities through Stand Sunday—a globally recognized day of prayer for children and families involved in foster care. This year, CASA of Bastrop, Fayette & Lee Counties is joining alongside them.

“It takes a community to care for children, and that’s what these places of worship are – a community,” said Kristi Bauer, executive director of CASA of Bastrop, Fayette & Lee Counties. “We hope to inform all the diverse faith organizations in our area on ways they can make a difference for the children in foster care in the three counties.”

There are 81 children currently in the child welfare system here in these communities. Children come into foster care when their families are in crisis and are sometimes placed in foster homes far away from everyone and everything they know and love. Through no fault of their own, they face the risk of negative outcomes like homelessness, substance use and incarceration.

“Every one of these children, whatever their current circumstances, deserves every possible chance to succeed in life,” said Bauer.

In addition to praying for these children and their families on Stand Sunday, Bauer explained that faith organizations can make a difference by partnering with our CASA Program and encouraging members to become CASA Volunteers.

While Stand Sunday is sponsored by the Christian Alliance for Orphans (CAFO), CASA of Bastrop, Fayette & Lee Counties encourages all people and groups to get involved in supporting these children and families.

“Whether you’re religious or not, and whether you practice prayer or not, we hope you will think of children in foster care on Stand Sunday,” Bauer said. “We also hope you’ll consider ways you can support these children and their families, like becoming a CASA volunteer.”