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CASA Connection

Sponsor Spotlight

We are taking time to recognize some of the incredible local organizations, businesses, and individuals who have helped CASA of the 8th Judicial District this year. These donors and sponsors give generously to advance our work with the abused and/or neglected children in the local community. In January, Joe Snuffy's Old Fashioned Grill in Abilene, Kansas offered a coupon for a discounted meal. CASA of the 8th Judicial District received a donation anytime someone used the coupon in January. Thanks to the local community and Joe Snuffy's generosity, we received a total donation of \$260 from the fundraiser. In May, the Junction City Eagle Riders conducted their annual ride for our program. They raised \$1,365.00 for CASA of the 8th Judicial District! Their annual ride not only helps us financially, but helps get the word out about what we do every day too. In May, we were also honored to receive a \$200 donation from the Junction City Optimist Club. The Optimist Club is a worldwide volunteer-based organization that works to make a brighter future for children. We would like to thank those that ran in the Geary Community Hospital's Chase for a Cause and donated part of their registration fee to CASA of the 8th Judicial District too. These are just some of the local heroes who have taken the time to help our program and the children we serve. We are honored by their generosity.



New Executive Director

Eliza Gentile joined the CASA team on June 12th. She recently received her MSSW from the University of Louisville with a specialization in Military Social Work. Prior to working with CASA, Eliza worked as a Case Manager for the Safe Places program in Alexandria, VA. During her time at Safe Places, Eliza worked with families who were homeless as a result of domestic violence. In her spare time, she enjoys spending time with her husband, Vinny, playing with her cats, and doing CrossFit. Welcome to the team, Eliza!

Would you like to receive our quarterly newsletter in print? Email us at casa@8thjd.com!

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Memorial Giving Thank You

A memorial gift is a powerful way to honor a lost loved one or friend. We want to take this opportunity to thank all those that donated to CASA of the 8th Judicial District on behalf of Wava McDonald. Your memorial donation truly honored this wonderful woman and helped the abused and neglected children we serve.

Upcoming Community Events

August 26– Evening on the Riverwalk (Council Grove)

Enjoy the sights and sounds of the Flint Hills during Council Grove's Evening on the Riverwalk from 6:00–9:30 pm.

August 29– Junction City Business Expo

Come out and meet local area business representatives during Junction City's 2017 Business Expo from 4:30–8:00 pm.

September 9 – Volunteer Advocate Training

The first advocate training session for Fall 2017 will start on Wednesday, September 9th from 5:30–8:00 pm, location TBD.



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CASA of the 8th Judicial District, Kansas
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New Volunteer Coordinator

Hello! My name is Megan Mark and I am the new Volunteer Coordinator for CASA of the 8th Judicial District. I have lived in Kansas, specifically Fort Riley for just over three years. My husband, Scott and I have two girls, Alexis (13) and Alyssa (5) and YES they keep us busy and on our toes. New to the CASA team, I must admit I already feel a great deal of pride knowing I am working with people who selflessly devote themselves to bettering the lives of children whom desperately need a caring advocate for their well-being. I am eager to meet all the amazing people CASA has as their support system and I look forward to learning from you all.