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BARBARA BERGMAN SELECTED AS CASA VOLUNTEER OF THE MONTH

CASA of Northeast Oklahoma is pleased to announce Barbara Bergman has been selected as CASA Volunteer of the Month for January 2021.

Bergman has been a CASA volunteer for 3 years, serving 4 children on 4 cases. Bergman is a mother of two wonderful boys and works with adults that have disabilities. Bergman has created a life of service to others and truly has a giving heart.

Bergman's Advocate Coordinator, Sandra Rains, said of Bergman, "Barbra works full-time but is always agreeable to take a case when she is asked. She is proof that people who may be wondering if they can be a CASA because they're employed can in fact do both. That's one of the great things about being a CASA. You can set your own hours and schedule. The only thing we do require is that you visit your child/ren on your case at least one time per month. Barbra is a regular citizen. She cares about people and children and wants to help them. She is really good about knowing how to talk to people and is a natural at asking the right questions."

"It is a great decision if you have the heart to help others in need," says Bergman to those considering becoming a CASA volunteer.

The mission of CASA of Northeast Oklahoma is to speak up for the best interests of abused and neglected children in the courts of northeast Oklahoma. CASA promotes the recruitment and training of quality volunteers who work to Change A Child's Story for the better.

CASA of Northeast Oklahoma is a regional multi-district court-appointed special advocate program serving abused and neglected children with volunteer advocates in the 11th, 12th, and 13th Judicial Districts. CASA of Northeast Oklahoma serves the district courts in Craig, Delaware, Mayes, Ottawa, Rogers, and Washington counties, as well as the Quapaw Nation Tribal Court.

More CASA volunteers like Bergman are needed in northeast Oklahoma. Training for a new group of CASA volunteers began January 4, 2021. If you want to join this training, please contact our office TODAY at (918) 923-7276. Additional courses are planned in various areas of the region in the future, those dates and locations are on our website. To volunteer, go to www.casaneok.org and click on "Get Involved," and then "Apply Now." The application takes 45 minutes to an hour to complete.

For more information about CASA of Northeast Oklahoma, please visit the program's website or call (918) 923-7276.

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