



**CASA**

Court Appointed Special Advocates  
**FOR CHILDREN**

**CASA OF NORTHEAST OKLAHOMA**

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**30** YEARS

# Annual Report for FY 2025

## **CASA of Northeast Oklahoma**

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## **“TOGETHER WE CAN HELP CHANGE A CHILD’S LIFE FOR THE BETTER”**

First, I would like to thank everyone for the opportunity to serve as Executive Director. I have the privilege to work every day with the greatest group of volunteers, staff, board and supporters. This year has been extra special given it is our 30 Year Anniversary of providing advocacy services to children living in foster care.

My intention was to inform you of all the things we've been doing this past year. I started to make a list and knew that I couldn't begin to tell you all that we have experienced this last year. So, I will touch on some of the highlights:

- Growth in both volunteer recruitment and volunteer retention. Also the addition of a part-time Volunteer Recruitment and Training Coordinator Lana Kite.
- Addition of two new part-time Advocate Coordinators Lori VanNoy and Susan Moody. Each living in the communities and areas they supervise. Allowing for more community involvement while greatly lowering CASA's mileage costs.
- Increase in funding through grants, organizations and individual donations, including a highly successful 2025 Paper Doll Project. An awareness/fundraising campaign we hold annually in each county during the month of April which is National Child Abuse Prevention Month.
- Increase in community awareness, involvement and collaboration with other community organizations, especially those whose focus is on foster children and families, and with Oklahoma CASA Association and National CASA/GAL Association for Children.
- Board of Directors:
  - New board members: Alicia Smith (Bartlesville), Rachel Delcour (Vinita), Cody Buff (Pryor) and Rossi Hoefer-Glover (Vinita).
  - Retiring Board Members: Dr. John Myers (Vinita), originally elected on 2/9/2017. We can't thank Dr. John enough for his service.
- Recognition of both Judge Dynda Post (ret.) and Judge Terry McBride (ret.) for their insight and leadership in organizing Tri-County CASA 30 years ago.

I look forward to many more years serving CASA of Northeast Oklahoma!

*Emily Bowling*

Executive Director

Beginning on May 5, 1995, as Tri-County CASA serving the 12th Judicial District (Craig, Mayes and Rogers County) to now 30 years later as CASA of Northeast Oklahoma serving the 11th, 12th and 13th Judicial Districts (Craig, Delaware, Mayes, Ottawa, Rogers, Washington County) and Shawnee Tribal Court. Through 30 years CASA's purpose has remained the same to fulfill society's most fundamental obligation by making sure a qualified, compassionate adult is there to fight for and protect a child's right to be safe, to be treated with dignity and respect and to learn and grow in the safe embrace of a loving family.

# STRATEGIC HIGHLIGHTS



## **Children Served**

171 on 90 cases

## **Volunteers Serving**

56

## **Volunteer Case Hours**

2,333

## **New Volunteers Trained**

13

## **Area Served**

The 11th, 12th, and 13th Judicial Districts in Oklahoma. Headquartered in Claremore, Oklahoma, the program serves Craig, Delaware, Mayes, Ottawa, Rogers, and Washington County District Courts and Shawnee Tribal Court.



Member of the National CASA/GAL Association for Children, Oklahoma CASA Association,  
Ottawa County United Way, Miami, Oklahoma

# FINANCIAL REPORT

## Statement of Activities

June 30, 2025

### Revenues, Gains, and Other Support

|                                                 |                     |
|-------------------------------------------------|---------------------|
| Victims of Crime Act (VOCA)                     | \$ 63,904.45        |
| Oklahoma CASA                                   | \$ 59,510.36        |
| Ottawa County United Way                        | \$ 16,500.00        |
| Foundation, Corporate, and Individual Donations | \$169,206.13        |
| Special Event Fundraising                       | \$ 29,798.44        |
| Interest Income                                 | \$ 2,574.23         |
| Other Income                                    | <u>\$ 43,749.64</u> |
| <b>TOTAL SUPPORT</b>                            | <b>\$382,594.86</b> |

### Expenses

|                                  |                      |
|----------------------------------|----------------------|
| Program                          | \$ 256,340.59        |
| Management and General           | \$ 52,847.98         |
| Fundraising/Resource Development | <u>\$ 35,762.93</u>  |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                     | <b>\$ 344,951.50</b> |

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|-----------------------------|---------------------|
| <b>Change In Net Assets</b> | <b>\$ 37,643.36</b> |
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# BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND STAFF

Julie Sellmeyer, Chair, Bluejacket, OK  
Daniel Webster, Vice Chair, Afton, OK  
Ashley Millikan, Secretary, Vinita, OK  
Alicia Smith, Treasurer, Bartlesville, OK  
Cassandra Coats, Vinita, OK  
Dynda Post, Catoosa, OK  
Kristina "Kit" Waters Ulrey, Miami, OK  
Dr. Candace Bullock, Ketchum, OK  
Rachel Delcour, Vinita, OK  
Cody Buff, Pryor, OK  
Rossi Hoefer-Glover, Vinita, OK

## Staff:

Emily Bowling, Executive Director  
Sandra Rains, Assistant Director and Advocate Coordinator, Rogers and Mayes  
Mark Ogle, Resource Development and Marketing Coordinator  
Lana Kite, Recruitment and Training Coordinator  
Lori VanNoy, Advocate Coordinator, Craig and Washington County  
Susan Moody, Advocate Coordinator, Delaware and Ottawa County





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CASA of Northeast Oklahoma is a regional court-appointed special advocate program serving district and tribal courts in the 11th, 12th, and 13th Judicial Districts of Oklahoma. CASA of Northeast Oklahoma supports and promotes court-appointed volunteer advocacy so every child in northeast Oklahoma who has experienced abuse or neglect can be safe, have a permanent home and the opportunity to thrive. CASA staff and volunteers work every day to change a child's life for the better.

## MISSION

The mission of CASA of Northeast Oklahoma is to advance the welfare of northeast Oklahoma children through best interest child advocacy and family strengthening efforts that are individualized and culturally sensitive.

## VISION

The vision of CASA of Northeast Oklahoma is that every abused and neglected child has a CASA volunteer appointed to represent his or her best interests.

## STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The CASA movement is central to fulfilling society's most fundamental obligation by making sure a qualified, compassionate adult will fight for and protect a child's right to be safe, to be treated with dignity and respect, and to learn and grow in the safe embrace of a loving family.



CASA of Northeast Oklahoma complies with all federal and state laws regarding public access to records. All organizational records are available online at [www.casaneok.org](http://www.casaneok.org) under the Governance tab. Select Our Financials. There, you will find IRS Form 1023, Application for Recognition of Exemption Under Section 501(c)3 of the Internal Revenue Code, IRS Forms 990, Return of Organization Exempt from Federal Income Tax for a period of three (3) years; and CASA of Northeast Oklahoma's annual Registration Statement of Charitable Organization filed with the Oklahoma Secretary of State. CASA's entire FY 2025 audit also is available on our website. CASA of Northeast Oklahoma follows the spirit and intent of all federal, state, and local employment law and is committed to Equal Employment Opportunity. We do not discriminate against any employee, volunteer, prospective volunteer, or client in a manner that violates the law. CASA is committed to providing equal opportunity for all employees and applicants without regard to any characteristic protected under federal, state, or local law.