

CASA Volunteer Application

1906 Knob Creek Rd. Suite 4 Johnson City, TN 37604

Name: _____ **Maiden Name:** _____ **Phone Number:** _____

Address: _____

Date of Birth: _____ **Social Security Number:** _____ **Email Address:** _____

Emergency Contact: _____ **Relationship:** _____ **Phone Number:** _____

Address: _____

EMPLOYMENT

Employer: _____ **Phone Number:** _____ **May We Contact You at Work?** _____

Address: _____

Write a Brief Description of Your Work:

EDUCATION

Highest year of school completed: _____

Are you presently attending school? _____

Will you receive academic credit for your CASA volunteer work? _____

Do you speak a language other than English? _____

If yes, specify which language and proficiency _____

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AVAILABILITY

Are you willing to commit to one year of volunteer service? _____

How many hours per week are you available? _____

What days and hours of the week are you available? _____

Do you have a valid driver's license? _____ State of Issue: _____ License # _____

Do you have access to a car? _____

As a CASA Volunteer you will be required to attend court hearings for the children you represent. Will you be able to arrange your schedule to attend these hearings? _____

REFERENCES

Please do not list family members

| NAME | EMAIL ADDRESS | PHONE NUMBER |
|----------|---------------|--------------|
| 1. _____ | _____ | _____ |
| 2. _____ | _____ | _____ |
| 3. _____ | _____ | _____ |

QUESTIONS

Please use a separate sheet of paper if you need additional space

Why do you want to become a CASA Volunteer? _____

How did you learn about the CASA program? _____

What do you hope to get out of this volunteer experience? _____

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Briefly explain your philosophy of parenting, including rights and responsibilities of both parents and children.

List your current and previous volunteer work: _____

Briefly explain what role you believe society should play in protecting the rights of children and in helping a family overcome hardships in order to remain living together as one unit.

What experience or knowledge of children and families do you have that will assist you in determining what may be in a child's best interests? (e.g. parenting, child care, etc.)

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Briefly describe any experience you have had with social service agencies as a staff person, foster parents, volunteer or client.

Describe any strong interests, knowledge areas, hobbies or special skills that you could offer as a volunteer.

Have you ever been convicted of a crime? YES NO If yes, please describe:

Do you now or have you ever had allegations made against you with regards to child abuse and/or neglect? YES NO If yes, please describe:

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BACKGROUND CHECK/CONFIDENTIALITY/ EXPECTATIONS

Any applicant convicted of or having charges pending for a felony or misdemeanor involving a sex offense, child abuse or neglect, or related acts that would pose risks to children or the CASA program's credibility is not eligible to be a CASA volunteer.

I, _____, hereby affirm that all of the answers provided on my volunteer application are true. I hereby authorize the CASA program and any law enforcement agency they authorize, to investigate my background to determine my fitness as a potential volunteer.

I understand that the information requested in this application will be used only for the purpose of determining my suitability as a CASA volunteer. Further, I understand that completion of training does not guarantee that I will be assigned a case. If I have successfully completed the training and have met all other requirements, and it has been determined that I am a suitable volunteer, I understand that I will be expected to serve a minimum of one year in the CASA program. If unforeseen circumstances prevent me from fulfilling this obligation, I will submit my written resignation to the program with as much advance notice as possible. I am aware of the sensitive and confidential nature of the official documents, reports and other material I will examine in my capacity as a CASA volunteer. I will discuss these matters only with those persons directly involved in the case or with those who will be consulted for their professional knowledge and expertise.

I also understand that if for any reason it becomes apparent that my activities are contrary to the policies, goals, and/or philosophy of the CASA of Northeast Tennessee program and their desire to provide quality services to abuse and neglected children, my services as a CASA candidate or CASA volunteer will be terminated.

I submit the statements on this application are true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge. I understand that falsification on this application can disqualify me from consideration or can result in dismissal at a later time.

Signature

Date

Please Return Application To:

CASA of Northeast Tennessee

P.O. Box 1021

Johnson City, TN 37605

