



### **VISION:**

All children in Henrico County live in safe and stable homes.



MISSION: Henrico CASA advocates in court for a child's best interests and seeks to educate the community concerning the needs of abused and neglected children.



- **VALUES:** Family Preservation & Reunification
  - Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion
  - Collaboration
  - Gratitude
  - Stewardship



As we enter our 30th year of service in Henrico County, we are deeply grateful for the opportunity to reflect on our journey and renew our commitment to our mission. For three decades, our advocates have been steadfast voices for children who have experienced abuse and neglect. They ensure that these children's voices are amplified in their court hearings and resonate beyond the courtroom in the community.

In celebrating this 30 year milestone, it is with immense pride that we share a significant achievement: since 1994, we have served every single child referred to our agency. This remarkable accomplishment is a testament to the dedication of our advocates, staff, and Board members who support the children and families we serve. It also reflects our organization's commitment to the juvenile court judges of Henrico County who trust us with this vital role. Thanks to your continued support, our services are provided at no cost to the court system. This ensures all children, regardless of their circumstances, receive the advocacy they deserve.

This year, we are excited to introduce our new Board Chair, Paul Ronson, whose enthusiasm and belief in our cause will undoubtedly lead us into an exciting new chapter. We also extend our heartfelt

thanks to our outgoing Chair, Chris Durand, for his outstanding leadership, service,

and unwavering dedication to our mission.

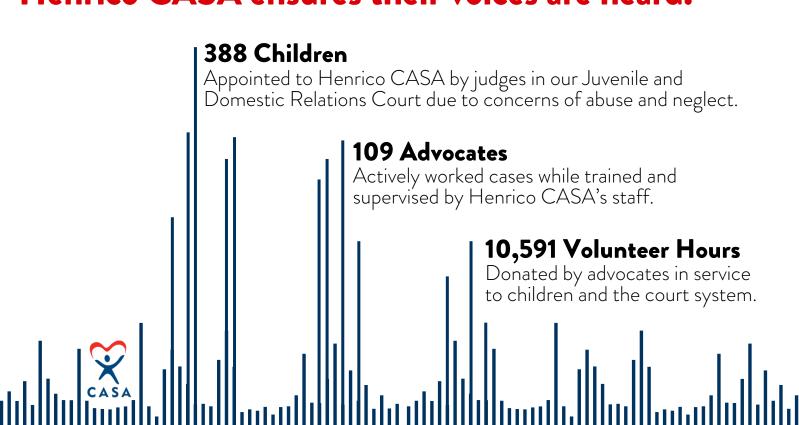
Lastly, we could not do this work without you. Thank you for being a part of our mission. Together, we will continue to amplify children's voices so that their stories, needs, and dreams are heard.

Paul Ronson
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# Every child has a voice. Henrico CASA ensures their voices are heard.





Randy's mother passed away. His father was homeless, struggling between recovery programs. He turned to his extended family for help, but they ostracized him.

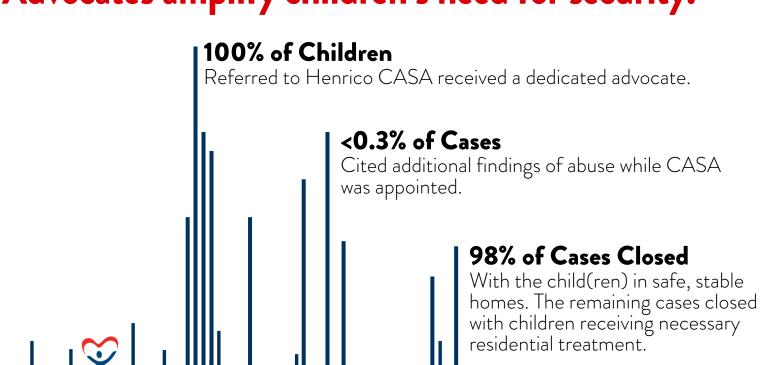
# "I just want a safe place to lay my head."

Randy's CASA Advocate heard his plea and helped identify an aunt who wants to open her home to Randy. With CASA's help, this aunt is working towards becoming his longterm kinship caregiver.

Now Randy will have his own safe place.

# Every child deserves to be safe.

# Advocates amplify children's need for security.





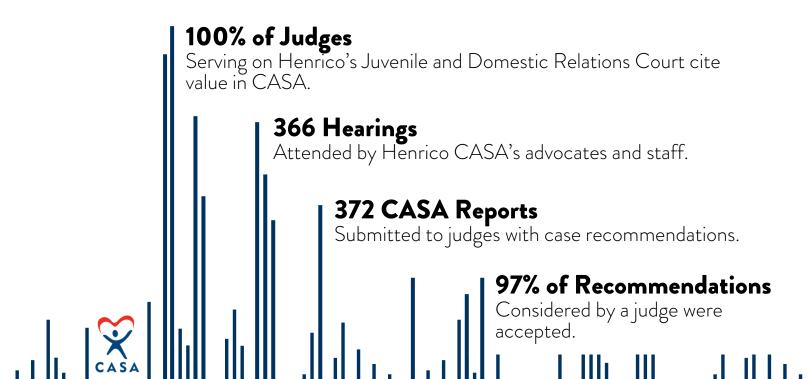
Maya's mom was financially dependent on her abuser. To ensure Maya's safety, her CASA Advocate helped recommend the resources their family needed to escape from domestic violence.

Maya and her sister now live in peace.



# Every child deserves the opportunity to thrive.

# Advocates amplify key details to guide court decisions.



Matty was taken from his birth mother as an infant when she tested positive for drug use. She contested the results, but by then, Matty was already living in foster care.

Matty's CASA Advocate met with both Matty and his birth mother regularly, documenting the steps she took to reunite with her child. These details were submitted to the Judge, and

# "Everything I need is in CASA's report."

be returned to his birth mother.

CASA ultimately recommendated that Matty

The judge accepted the recommendation. Now Matty and his birth mom are on the road to reunification.

# Every child deserves empathy and understanding. CASA amplifies community awareness of these needs.





# TURNING UP THE VOLUME

Our team at CASA works beyond the courtroom to amplify voices of children who have experienced trauma. We show the community that together, we can ensure every child has a safe, healthy home.



## **4)) SUMMER CONCERTS**

Short Pump Town Center once again named Henrico CASA as the beneficiary of their charity wine garden during their 2023 and 2024 summer concert series. We enthusiastically embrace this chance to not only raise funds but also to increase awareness about our mission!



### (a) KIWANIS TOURNAMENT

The Kiwanis Club of Tuckahoe held their annual fall golf classic to benefit Henrico CASA. Thanks to generous teams and sponsors, the club raised \$10,000 to support CASA's service to local children.



# **♦)) ANNUAL ADVOCATE TRAINING**

Our annual advocate training and awards event is always a highlight of the year. Twentynine advocates were recognized with the President's Volunteer Service Award.















# **◄**® M4K RICHMOND

For the second year in a row, Henrico CASA was a charity partner for Richmond's Mustaches 4 Kids campaign. Our collaboration with the Henrico Fire Department built a team of forty-four growers who generated \$100,000!







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## **◄**)) NEW ADVOCATES

Twenty-two new Court Appointed Special Advocates were sworn in as officers of Henrico's Juvenile and Domestic Relations Court after completing 40 hours of pre-service training.







## **4)) BOARD RETREAT**

The Board of Directors, Ambassadors and Staff spent a day reflecting on the past 30 years and strategically planning for the future.



## **◄**)) PINWHEELS

Our Ambassadors planted pinwheel gardens all across Henrico County in recognition of Child Abuse Prevention Month in April.



### **◄**)) THETAS FOR CASA

Kappa Alpha Thetas at the University of Richmond and Randolph Macon College raised more than \$30,000 across various initiatives in support of Henrico CASA.



## **◄**)) HOME FOR GOOD®

Our 4th annual Home for Good® playhouse event allowed us to once again remind the community that every child deserves a safe, healthy, home for good. The event raised awareness for our mission and generated more than \$151,000!









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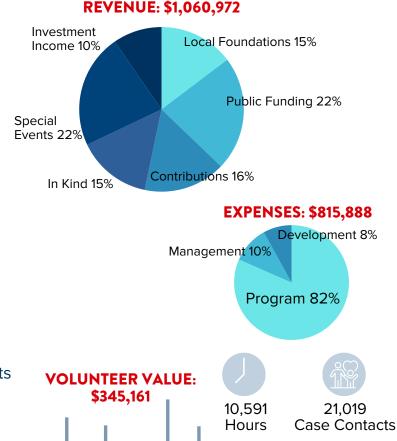
July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024 Total Liabilities + Net Assets: \$1,661,041

We consider financial support of Henrico CASA to be an investment in children's futures. Therefore, we are careful stewards, leveraging resources to forward our mission in serving Henrico's most vulnerable children.

82% of expenses directly fund our program.

In addition, using volunteer advocates amplifies the value of every dollar spent and reinforces our position as a vital resource to Henrico County.

We value transparency! Our financial statements are audited by independent auditors. A full financial look is available at HenricoCASA.org.



### **◄**)) 30 YEAR LEGACY

For 30 years, our advocates have been speaking up for the needs of local children while also offering a vital service to our court system. Yes, every child has a voice. We ensure that those voices are not only heard, but acted upon.



4,228 children have been referred to Henrico CASA since 1994. Every child was matched with a dedicated advocate; not a single child was turned away. That means 4,228 lives have been forever changed!

