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**Impact Report
Fiscal Year 2025**



Kim Harrington
Board Chair

Dear Supporters,

We are pleased to share Georgia CASA's Impact Report, covering fiscal year 2025. You are encouraged to look at selected highlights of Georgia CASA's mission work between July 2024 and June 2025.

We are so inspired by the generosity of all who support Georgia CASA, our 47 affiliate CASA programs throughout the state, and the children and families served by CASA volunteers. During the past fiscal year, 2,660 CASA volunteers served over 8,000 children.

Thank you for the investment you have made in strengthening families all across Georgia and we ask that you invite others to join in the CASA network by becoming a CASA volunteer, supporting an affiliate CASA program, making a charitable donation, or sharing about the impact of CASA volunteers on children and families.

We look forward to continuing our partnership with you!



Jen King
Executive Director

Mission, Vision, Values & Key Focuses

Our Mission

Georgia CASA strengthens and supports court-sanctioned, affiliate CASA programs that empower community volunteers who advocate for abused or neglected children and contributes to advancements within the child welfare system.

Our Vision

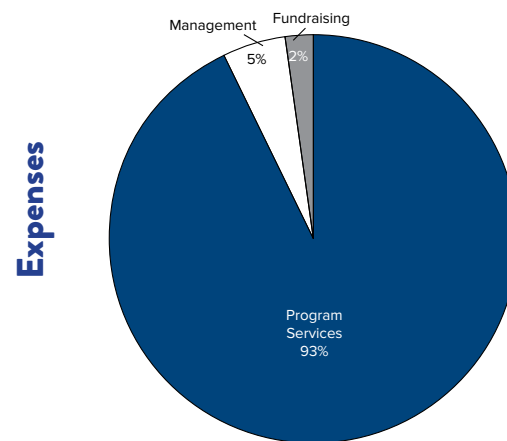
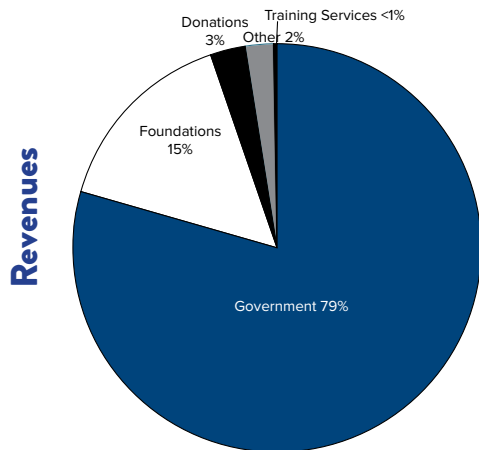
All children who experience abuse or neglect have the opportunity to thrive and reach their full potential with the support of permanent connections to family.

Our Values

Collaboration | Compassion | Accountability

Financials

for fiscal year ending June 30, 2025



Georgia CASA's comprehensive core services support the local CASA affiliate programs through trainings, technical assistance, volunteer recruitment and screening, networking, communications, legislative advocacy, and outcomes measurement.

In fiscal year 2025, over 1,500 contacts with affiliates were made by the Georgia CASA team via phone calls, emails, visits, trainings, and statewide events.

Email info@gacasa.org for a copy of the full financial statements.

Key Focuses for Fiscal Year 2025

- 1 Implementation of New Long Range Plan and Statewide Growth Plan
- 2 Investment Strategy in Support of High Need Service Areas and Stabilization of Resources
- 3 Alignment of Staff Roles, Responsibilities, and Skills to Current and Future Needs



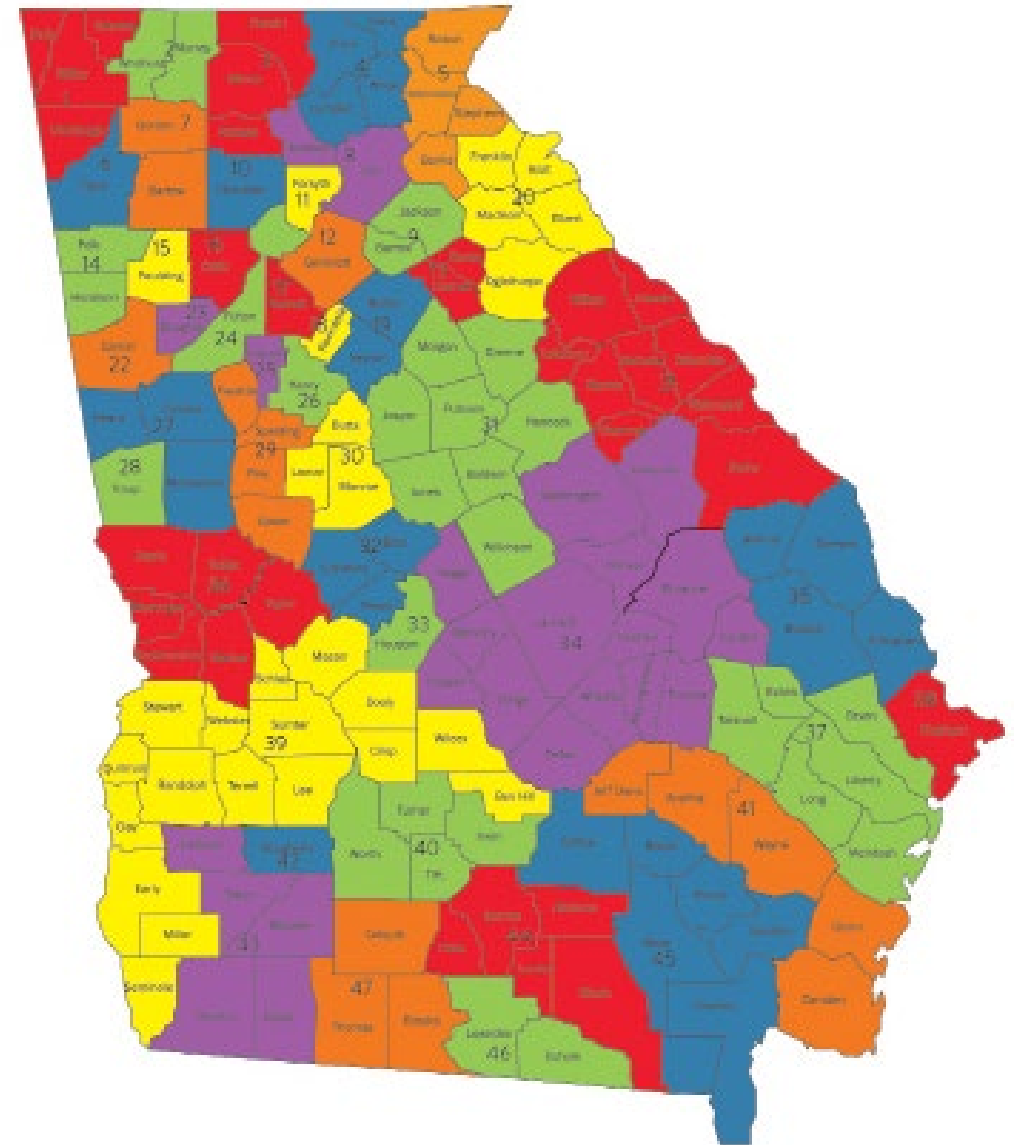


“Every child needs someone who loves them unconditionally. I would like to be that for the kids I work with.”

Pam McCampbell

2024 CASA Volunteer of the Year in Georgia

CASA Affiliates by Service Area



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|-----------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|---------------------------|----------------------|
| 1 - Lookout Mountain | 9 - Piedmont | 17 - DeKalb Co. | 25 - Clayton Co. | 33 - Houston Co. | 41 - Glynn |
| 2 - Murray/Whitefield | 10 - Cherokee Co. | 18 - Rockdale Co. | 26 - Henry Co. | 34 - TIC | 42 - Dougherty |
| 3 - Appalachian | 11 - Forsyth Co. | 19 - Albany | 27 - Conasa | 35 - Oglethorpe | 43 - Spalding Co. |
| 4 - Eastaft | 12 - Gwinnett Co. | 20 - Northern | 28 - Troup Co. | 36 - Chattahoochee | 44 - Appling |
| 5 - Northeast GA | 13 - Atlanta-Douglas | 21 - Augusta | 29 - Adair-Elbert | 37 - Academic Area | 45 - Spalding Co. |
| 6 - Floyd Co. | 14 - Polk & Hancock | 22 - Carroll Co. | 30 - Twiggs | 38 - Savannah/Chatham Co. | 46 - Lowndes/Edwards |
| 7 - Northwest GA | 15 - Paulding Co. | 23 - Children's Voice | 31 - Cowdige | 39 - Sumter | 47 - CASA Kids |
| 8 - Hall-Dawson | 16 - Cobb Co. | 24 - Atlanta | 32 - Central GA | 40 - Coastal Plain | |

Map current as of June 30, 2025

Visit <http://bit.ly/DirectorySearch> for contact information for all affiliate CASA programs in Georgia.

CASA Advocacy & Volunteers Across the State



2,192
New Children Received Advocacy from a CASA Volunteer

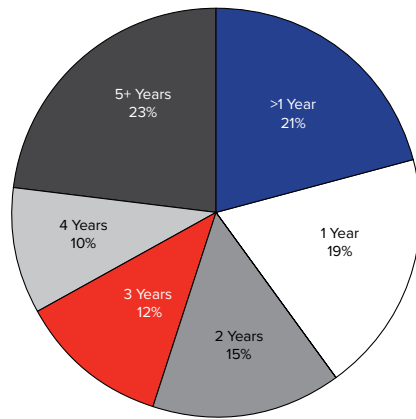


2,373
Children Reached Permanency

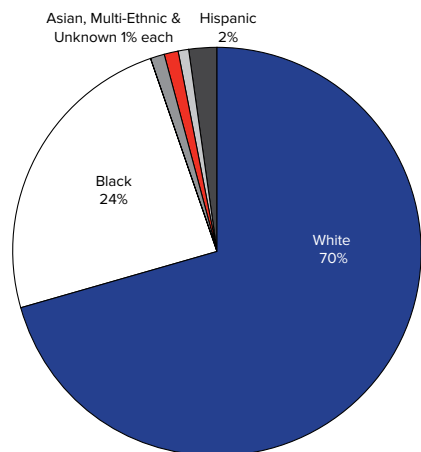


2,660
CASA Volunteers

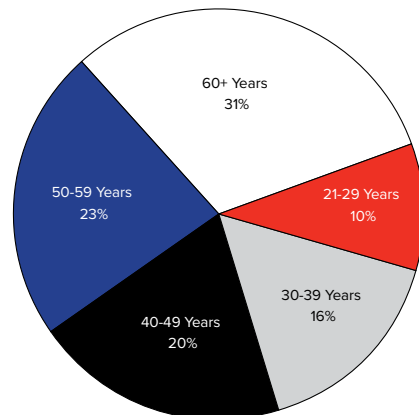
Length of Service of CASA Volunteers



Race & Ethnicity of CASA Volunteers

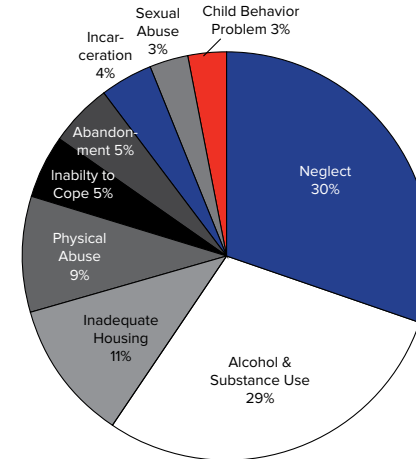


Ages of CASA Volunteers

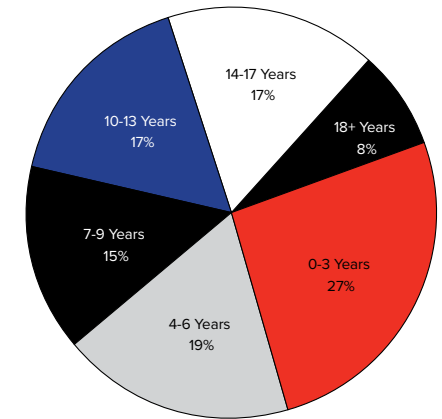


CASA Advocacy Across the State

Reasons for Dependency

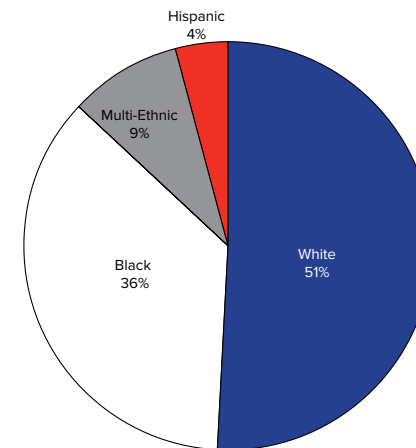


Ages of Children with CASA Volunteers

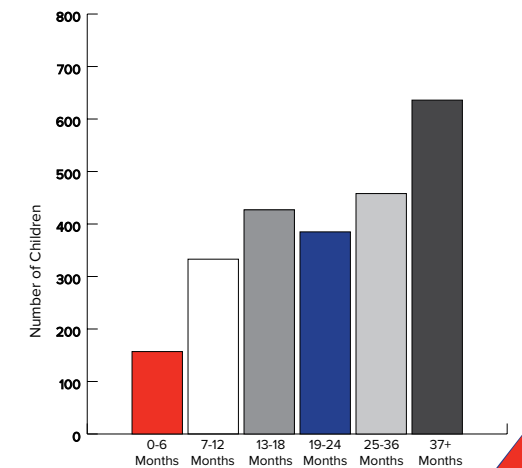


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Race & Ethnicity of Children



Length of Time Children Spent in Foster Care



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On Mission: Out & About



Thirteen years ago, I was at a crossroads. I had spent years working with middle and high school students, but as times changed, I realized I struggled to connect with young people in the same way. It was a humbling moment. Around that time, I took a local community course that introduced me to the many departments in our county. During a break, a woman approached me and asked, "Have you heard of CASA?" She explained what Court Appointed Special Advocates do, and after some prayerful consideration, I signed up for training. That decision has been life-changing.

My CASA journey began in coastal Georgia and has continued after my move to north Georgia in 2019. Over the years, I've worked with over 50 children. I've supported newborns immediately after leaving the hospital, siblings as young as five, and even a 19-year-old who just started college. Each child is unique, but my goal is always the same: to show the children I serve that I care and earn their trust. It's not always easy, especially at first, but once they understand I'm here solely for their best interests, the walls start to come down.

One of the most poignant aspects of this work is recognizing how often the children we advocate for are unfairly judged. They've experienced neglect or abuse—all through no fault of their own—yet they carry the weight of societal stigma. As CASA volunteers, we have the privilege of being their advocates, ensuring their voices are heard and their needs are prioritized.

Despite challenges, from the individual to the systemic level, I remain hopeful because I know CASA volunteers make a tangible difference. I've seen it in the child who overcame suicidal tendencies and is now thriving, and in the children who once lived in chaos but found stability in a loving, stable home.

CASA advocacy matters because children matter. If we want to create a better future, we have to invest in children now. Every child deserves to feel safe, supported, and valued. For me, being a CASA volunteer is about untangling the knots of their past so they can begin to heal and move forward.

**Scott O'Neill, CASA Volunteer
Advo-Kids CASA, Griffin, GA**



At left:
CASA on the Catwalk annual fundraiser (April 2025)



Above:
Georgia CASA board members, including virtual attendees, at board meeting (September 2024)



At left:
Capitol Connections Event (February 2025)



At right:
New Volunteer Supervisor Training (January 2025)



At left:
Council of Programs Meeting (October 2024)



“Having a CASA volunteer is like having someone who sees beyond your tears, your anger, and your trauma - they see YOU.”

Shimaine Holley
Former youth in foster care

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*Georgia CASA Team at State Conference - August 2025
 (not pictured: Heidi Grimmett & Joyce Jones)*



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