

2421 East 20th St., Joplin, MO 64804 417-680-3250 Every night in Jasper County, over 500 children spend the night in foster care due to abuse and neglect.

The mission of Jasper County CASA is to recruit, train, and supervise volunteers to serve as advocates for abused and neglected children in our foster care system. Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) volunteers get to know each child by learning all they can about their situation. They advocate for the child's education, safety, and wellbeing. They attend court hearings, meetings, school events, and celebrations. A CASA becomes the one consistent, trusted adult in the chaos of foster care, where children often experience multiple foster homes, school districts, and case workers.

Jasper County CASA was launched in 2019 by Debi Koelkebeck. Debi was a CASA in neighboring Newton County and knew we desperately needed this program in Jasper County. She currently serves as our volunteer executive director. We have approximately 120 volunteers advocating for approximately 225 children, and five advocate supervisors who guide and support our amazing volunteers.

You can help by volunteering to become a CASA!

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