

COUNCIL GROVE AREA FOUNDATION
P.O. BOX 137, Council Grove, Kansas 66846

GRANT APPLICATION

Organization Information

CASA of the 8th Judicial District

Organization Name			
801 North Washington Street, Suite C	Junction City	Kansas	66441
Street Address	City	State	Zip
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Phone Number	Email Address		

Please list your 3 of organizations officers below:

Lisa Hatt	Executive Director	785-762-3907
Name	Title	Phone Number
Andrea Taylor	Board President	785-762-3907
Name	Title	Phone Number
Alice Adams	Board Secretary	785-762-3907
Name	Title	Phone Number

Is your organization a tax-exempt? **No**

Date of tax exemptions status granted: NEVER REQUESTED

Is your organization a nonprofit 501(c)(3)? **Yes**

Date status granted: 5/17/07

Tell us about your organization.

CASA of the 8th Judicial District's mission is to advocate for the best interests of the abused, neglected, and trafficked children in the court system. We strive to help children have safe, permanent, and nurturing homes.

Project Information

Name of project: CASA Advocacy

What geographic area will be served: Morris County and Herington, Kansas

Who will benefit: Abused, neglected, and trafficked children in the court system

1 January 2019
Anticipated Project Start Date

30 June 2019
Anticipated Project Completion Date

What is the purpose of this project; what specifically will it accomplish?

Funding of this project will help our program recruit, train, supervise, and support additional Volunteer Advocates to serve the children in our community that are eligible for our services.

What problem is this project attempting to solve?

The number one goal of CASA of the 8th Judicial District is to serve every Child In Need of Care eligible for our services. To accomplish this, more Volunteer Advocates are needed.

Who else in the community is working on this issue? Please list all other groups and/or committees.

CASA of the 8th Judicial District is the only agency allowed by law to provide services as appointed by the Judge. This avoids duplication of services and encourages collaboration with the many social agencies serving families.

How will the project be implemented and how will you coordinate with others working on this issue?

The grant will enable CASA of the 8th Judicial District to recruit, train and certify additional Volunteer Advocates and assign these Volunteer Advocates to children for who the Advocate

What local support is there for this project?

CASA of the 8th Judicial District works closely with the 8th Judicial District, attorneys,

Financial Information

\$12,000
Total Project Cost

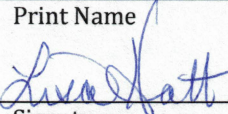
\$1,200
Amount Requested from CGAF

Please list the amount and source of pledge or commitments to date:

Morris County \$2,000 (for time period); Fundraisers & Donors \$800

Please list any additional funding requests that will be made:

Council Grove City Sales Tax \$2,000; United Way of Flint Hills \$6,000

Lisa Hatt
Print Name

Signature

Executive Director
Title
10/30/18
Today's Date

Please submit send your application to: Director@CGKSAF.org or Council Grove Area Foundation
P.O. BOX 137
Council Grove, KS. 66846

What problem is this project attempting to solve?

The number one goal of CASA of the 8th Judicial District is to serve every Child In Need of Care eligible for our services. To accomplish this, more Volunteer Advocates are needed. CASA Volunteer Advocates make sure that the children we serve do not get lost in the overburdened legal and social service systems or languish in inappropriate group or foster homes. CASA Volunteer Advocates stay with each case until it is closed. For many abused/neglected children, their CASA Volunteer Advocate will be the one constant adult presence in their lives. Independent research demonstrates that children with a CASA Volunteer Advocate are less likely to spend time in long-term foster care, have fewer placements, and are 50% less likely to reenter care. According to Judge Jeanne Meurer of Austin, TX; "CASA is an invaluable partner in reducing upheavals and children obtaining safe, permanent homes" (http://www.casaforchildren.org/site/c.mtJSJ7MPisE/b.5852953/k.79A1/JP_9__Meuer_Hathaway.htm). Our goal is to reduce this likelihood by having better trained and more CASA Volunteer Advocates to serve the at-risk children. These Volunteer Advocates will be directly supervised by our Morris County Case Supervisor and our Executive Director.

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The grant will enable CASA of the 8th Judicial District to recruit, train and certify additional Volunteer Advocates and assign these Volunteer Advocates to children for who the Advocate is best suited. This will result in greater stability of the CASA placement, and improved court reports on behalf of the children. This will also result in greater sensitivity to the child and the child's needs by the CASA Volunteer Advocate. Success of the program will be measured by the increase in children served with CASA of the 8th Judicial District services, the increase in the numbers of CASA Volunteer Advocates who remain with the child they were assigned, the increase of children who will remain in their permanent placement, the reduction in the number of monitored cases, and the proper supervision of Volunteer Advocates.