



## CASA Jefferson, Inc.

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3rd Quarter Report  
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The **CASA JEFFERSON MISSION** is to break the cycle of child abuse and neglect through volunteers advocating for safe, nurturing, and permanent homes for foster children in our community.

The following goals have been identified by our program as performance measurements to illustrate the impact of CASA Jefferson advocates who have been appointed by the Jefferson Parish Juvenile Court to a Child In Need of Care case. Our program's ultimate goal is to ensure that children are permanently and promptly placed, as well as ensuring the children have their needs met while in foster care.

### GOAL 1

In 2018-2019 the average time a CASA child spends in the Department of Children And Family Service's custody will be fewer than 730 days. *(As outlined in the Adoption and Safe Families Act, Public Law 105-89, of 1997)*

- In the Third Quarter, **175** CASA Jefferson children spent an average of **428 days** in Department of Children and Family Service's custody.

### GOAL 2

In 2018-2019, 80% of CASA children will achieve a permanent placement. *(Through reunification, adoption or transfer of custody).*

- In the Third Quarter, **100% of CASA Jefferson children whose case were closed received a permanent placement.**

### GOAL 3

In 2018-2019, 70% of CASA children will be placed with their siblings. *(To maintain family connection)*

- In the Third Quarter, **82%** of CASA Jefferson children were placed with their siblings.

### GOAL 4

In 2018-2019, 60% of recommendations made by CASA Advocates will become orders of the Court. *(Recommendations are made for services including but not limited to educational, medical, behavioral health services, family connections and permanent placements.)*

- In the Third Quarter, **76%** of the recommendations made by CASA Jefferson Advocates became orders of the Court. Our Advocates made **239** recommendations, **181** of which became orders of the Court.

# OUR ADVOCATES

## Advocate Demographics

Advocate Demographics		
Average Age of Advocate		50 years old
Gender	Number	Percentage
Female	110	79%
Male	29	21%
Ethnicity	Number	Percentage
African American	28	20%
Caucasian	92	66%
Hispanic/Latino	10	8%
Asian American	0	0%
Bi-Racial	9	6%
Employment	Number	Percentage
Advocates who are employed	116	83%
Advocates who are employed full time	90	65%
Education	Number	Percentage
Assigned advocates with at least a Bachelor's Degree level of education	59	40%

Total number of assigned advocates: **99**

Total advocates discharged (resigned or terminated): **12**

Total number of advocates (active and inactive): **139**

Number of contacts with children: **350**

Number of hours contributed by advocates: **1233**

Number of court reports advocates completed: **58**

Advocates completed **271** hours of training. Of those, **99** hours were pre-advocacy training hours.

### RECRUITMENT EFFORTS:

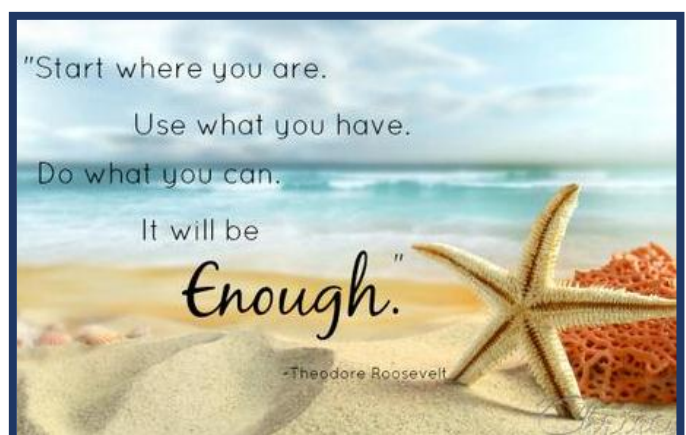
CASA conducted **4** community presentations

Initial contact with potential advocates: **148**

Prospective advocates completed orientation: **22**

Prospective advocates completed training: **9**

Advocates sworn in this quarter: **10**



# OUR CHILDREN

Children's Demographics		
Age	Number	Percentage
Children Under 1 Year of Age	14	8%
Children 1-12 Years of Age	118	67%
Children 13-15 Years of Age	23	14%
Children 16-18 Years of Age	20	11%
Gender	Number	Percentage
Female Children Served	90	51%
Male Children Served	85	49%
Ethnicity	Number	Percentage
African American	90	51%
Caucasian	68	39%
Bi-Racial	5	3%
Hispanic/Latino	12	7%
Asian American	0	0%

## Overview of CASA Appointments

**89%** of children are appointed to CASA

Children appointed to CASA from Section A: **96%**

Children appointed to CASA from Section B: **82%**

Children appointed to CASA from Section C: **89%**

*\*Quarterly data collected through CASA Optima system, compared to data obtained from JPJC IJJIS\**

## CHILD OUTCOMES:

Number of newly assigned children to an advocate: **12**

Number of cases closed: **10**

Of the cases closed, **100% of the children achieved a permanent home at case closure.**

Number of appointed children this quarter: **175**

Number of Children In Need of Care not appointed to CASA: **19**

Number of children assigned an advocate: **138**

Number of children awaiting for an advocate during quarter: **37**

Number of new children appointed: **26**

