

## **CASA of Travis County Volunteer Training**

The CASA Volunteer Training Fast Track program consists of 8 in-person 3.5-hour classes on a condensed timeline, an hour of pre-work for each class and 3 hours of courtroom observation (approximately 39 hours total) completed over a 2-week cycle. You must finish all training and observation by the final deadline and all background checks must be completed and cleared in order to be assigned to a case.

Cycle F3 – Fast Track: November 26 – December 12

Mon, Nov 26, 6:00-9:30 pm: Class 1 - Introducing the CASA/GAL Volunteer Role

Tues, Nov 27, 6:00-9:30 pm: Class 2 - The Well-Being of a Child

Wed, Nov 28, 6:00-9:30 pm: Class 3 - Trauma, Resilience and Communication Skills

Thurs, Nov 29, 6:00-9:30 pm: Class 4 - Mental Health, Poverty and Professional Communication

Sat, Dec 1, 9:00 am-12:30 pm: Class 5 - Substance Abuse and Cultural Competence

Sat, Dec 1, 1:30-5:00 pm: Class 6 - Domestic Violence and Cultural Competence

Mon, Dec 3, 6:00-9:30 pm: Class 7 - Educational Advocacy, Older Youth and LGBTQ Youth

Tues, Dec 4, 6:00-9:30 pm: Class 8 - Wrapping Up

## **Additional Training Expectations**

**Pre-Work:** There will be approximately an hour of reading, videos, and other Pre-Work prior to each of the 8 classes that you are expected to complete in order to fully participate in class.

Courtroom Observation: 3 Hours of Courtroom Observation to be completed by Wed, Dec 12

**Swearing-In Ceremony:** Attend this celebratory ceremony to take your volunteer oath after completing training. Location and Date TBA.

**Continuing Ed:** You will be required to complete 12 hours of Continuing Education each year that you are an active volunteer. We offer a variety of trainings and activities to help volunteers complete this requirement.