COURT APPOINTED SPECIAL ADVOCATE
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Tuesday, June 28, 2022 5:30 – 7:00 pm
In-Person at CASA Office
or
Zoom Meeting ID: 839 0538 3751 and Passcode: 329742
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83905383751?pwd=SXJETGhzUmZWR3FVRk5KYVQvSFpNZz09

WELCOME AND CHAIR'S REMARKS	Sam
APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING	Sam
UPDATES FROM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR • **Compliance** • **Serving Children/Youth** • **Funding**	Jeanne
ITEM FOR DISCUSSION • **Dates for Board retreat**	Sam
ITEM FOR APPROVAL • **FY 2022-2023 Budget**	John and Jeanne
Election for FY 2022-2023 Board Positions	Sam
CLOSING	Sam
QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS	Sam
BOARD MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS	Sam
PUBLIC COMMENT MAY BE LIMITED BY THE CHAIR	Sam
ADJOURNMENT	Sam

CASA of Humboldt

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July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022

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Executive Director Board Report
June 28, 2022

Compliance

Fiscal

- With the end of the fiscal year approaching, I reached out to JWT & Associates to schedule our annual fiscal audit. Per Judicial Council contract requirements, the fiscal audit must be completed by early September.

IT

- No updates this month.

Program

- I continued to attend an Executive Director meetings hosted by California CASA.
- I attended the National CASA Conference in Seattle in June. A highlight of the conference was an opportunity to preview the new 7-year strategic plan that will be implemented in 2023.
    - Key Points
        - Mission and Vision
            - Expand from children who experienced abuse/neglect to children who experience abuse/neglect or are at-risk
            - Expand from children to children and their families
            - This aligns with focus of Families First Prevention Act to support families in caring for their children (reduce entry into out of home care, promote reunification with birth families, and maintain connection between family and child if child is not placed with parents)
        - Strategic Goals
            - Reduce the Number of Children in Foster Care
            - Strengthen and Support Families
            - Increase Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion in the Network
        - Enabling Focus Areas:
            - Public Policies
            - Strategic Partnerships
            - Evidence-Based Practices
            - Network Capacity and Growth
            - Revenue Growth and Diversification
        - Paid staff
            - Some programs are already using this model to monitor cases and connect children to services
            - I am thinking about how this might apply to our work in Humboldt County, such as young children (infants and toddlers) as there are

fewer volunteer advocates who want to be matched with a child that age.

- I drafted a Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Plan and shared with Madi for feedback. She and I will meet to discuss and make plans to bring it to the Board for discussion.

Serving Children/Youth

- Dashboard Report: See attached for an updated Dashboard Report.

Other

- Building: Interior painting of the office space continues. Advanced Security ordered parts for the keyless entry system for CASA House. We hope to have it installed by the end of July.

Funding

- VOCA Contract: Our current 5-year contract cycle ends in 2023. California's Office of Emergency Services and been evaluating whether CASA's VOCA contracts (statewide) will continue. A decision was made that our funding will continue, and the next funding cycle will happen via a contract amendment. The contracts will not be put out for competitive bid.
- CA CASA: California CASA has been advocating for $62 million in funding from the State budget. These funds would be spent over 3 years. The State Legislature has approved the budget, including that bill that allows for CASA funding. The next step is for Governor Newsom to sign the budget.
    - Areas of Focus for Funding: 1) Growth, 2) Capacity Building, and 3) Staff
    - Tentative Process for Accessing Funding: submit application with detailed budget to CA CASA; if awarded funding, data/outcomes reporting will be required.
- Additional information regarding grants and fundraising will be included the Development Report by Amber Madrone Anderson.

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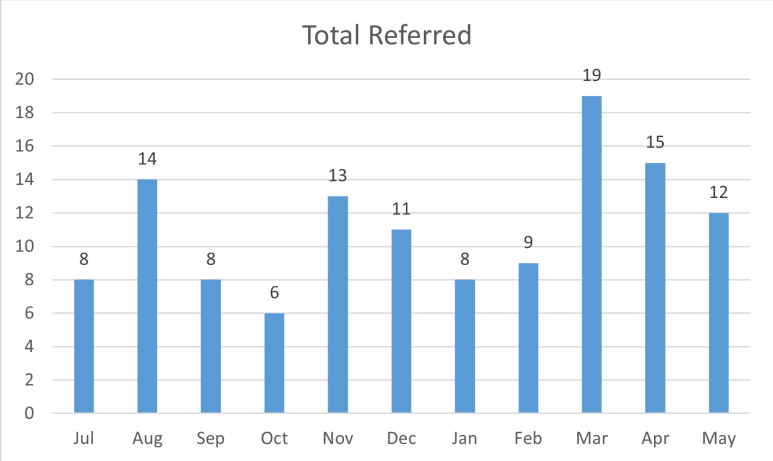
Court Appointed Special Advocates
FOR CHILDREN
HUMBOLDT COUNTY

DASHBOARD REPORT

FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022 - JUNE, 2022



NUMBER OF CHILDREN REFERRED

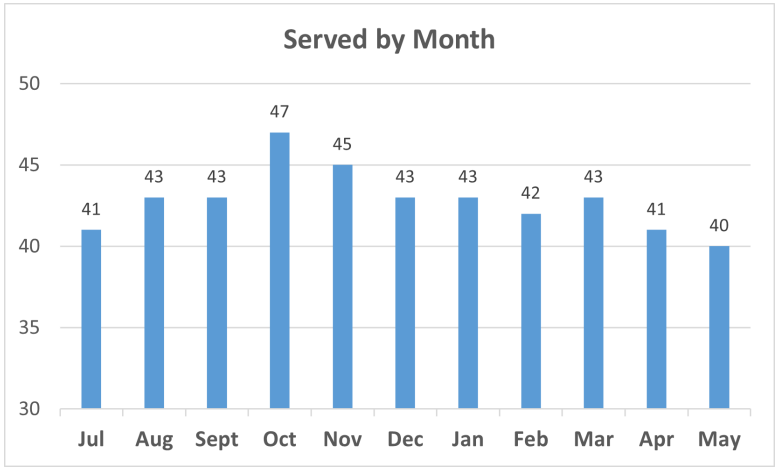
CASA of Humboldt receives referrals in two ways—a spreadsheet emailed by the Court Clerk and hard copies of jurisdiction reports from the judge that are picked up from the Court.

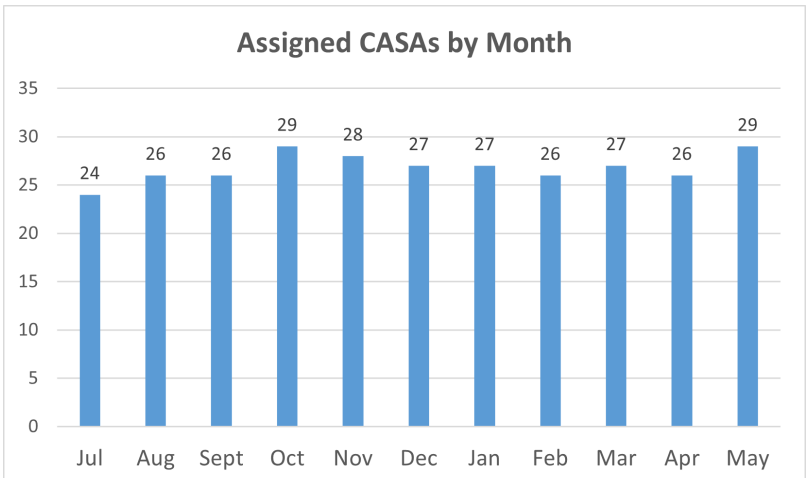
On average this fiscal year, CASA of Humboldt receives about 11 referrals per month. There are currently 115 children in need of CASA services (72 children detained and 43 not detained).

NUMBER OF CHILDREN SERVED

CASA of Humboldt provides advocacy services to children and youth involved with child welfare services. CASA of Humboldt's ability to serve children is driven by two key factors: the number of paid Case Supervisors and the number of available advocates.

Fiscal year to date, 53 children have been served.





NUMBER OF ACTIVE ADVOCATES

CASA of Humboldt offers continuous opportunities for training over the course of the year. There are currently 3 prospective applicants in the interviewing process, 7 who are completing training, and 3 who were sworn in on June 10th.

The number of applications to become a CASA is increasing steadily. In May 2022, 7 people began the application process, while the previous number was about 4 applicants per month.

June 28, 2022

Fundraising Updates:

We are in the final stage of the Big Impact Community Challenge. We are currently at 95% of our goal!

CASA of Humboldt will be the recipient of the proceeds from the Bear River Golf Tournament on July 29th. Last year this fundraiser brought in $25,000 for the Eureka Chamber. It would be great to have a CASA team and we also need volunteers for the day of the event. Please let me know if you are interested in volunteering or forming a team.

Grants:

Current:

- CCCU- we are waiting on parts to come in and then Advanced Security will begin instillation on the keyless entry system.
- St Joes, Sisters of Orange: Check will be issued this month

Upcoming For Consideration:

- National CASA background checks- released 6/22/22
- National CASA needs based- released 6/22/22
- First 5 & DHHS ACES Collaborative Partnership- no information has been released for a new RFP
- HAF Sign and Ruth Smith Fund

Funds Report:

- See attached

Additional Items:

- Website: We need bios and pictures from board. Bios can be very short 100-150 words. Joselyn, our Operations Coordinator, is taking headshots for staff and would be happy to do the same for board members.

Board Involvement:

- Form a Super Kid Season team
- Sign up a team or volunteer at the Bear River Golf Tournament (7/29/2022)
- Provide five contacts to send a personal ask to for the Big Impact Challenge
- Make a personal gift/ become a sustaining partner
- Write thank you cards
- Join the fundraising committee
- Purchase gas gift cards for advocates

Month of fiscal year:	11	Percent of fiscal year completed :	91.67%	May		
		Income source	FY21-22 Goal (Gross)	FY21-22 Rec'd YTD	% to Goal	Notes
Board Giving			**$3,000**	**$1,575**	**52.5%**	
General	ongoing	General Donations	$37,000	$34,329	92.8%	
	ongoing	Sustaining Partner	$10,000	$10,517	105.2%	
	July	Summer Newsletter	$7,800	$3,935	50.4%	
	March	Spring Appeal	$6,000	$4,693	78.2%	
	ongoing	third party fundraising	$5,000	$19,282	385.6%	
	Dec	End of year appeal	$40,000	$39,147	97.9%	
	ongoing	Major Gifts	$20,000	$46,000	230.0%	
General Total			**$125,800**	**$157,903**	**125.5%**	
Super Kid Season	Aug-Oct	SKS Teams	$40,000	$17,241	43.1%	
	Aug-Oct	Online Auction	$10,000	$2,968	29.7%	
	Aug-Oct	Corporate Sponsorships	$6,000	$10,000	166.7%	
	Aug-Oct	General SKS giving	$5,000	$0	0.0%	
SKS Total			**$61,000**	**$30,209**	**49.5%**	
Big Night	May	Community Match Partners	$15,000	$25,000	166.7%	
	May	Sponsorship	$18,000	$13,000	72.2%	
	May	Donations	$15,000	$1,608	10.7%	
Big Night Total			**$48,000**	**$39,608**	**82.5%**	
Grants Total	**ongoing**		**$30,000**	**$18,500**	**61.7%**	*Ca Relief ($15,000), HAF($1,000), $2,500 Humboldt Sponsors, secured but not reflected yet: $5,000 CCCU & $30,000 St Joes*
BUDGETED TOTAL		**TOTAL**	**$267,800**	**$247,795**	**92.5%**	
Planned Giving						
Total Funds Received				**$247,795**	**92.5%**	

CASA of Humboldt
FY 22-23 Budget

Salaries	**$368,578.52**
Benefits and Taxes	**$59,681.61**
Accounting Service	$13,200.00
HR Consultant	$7,650.00
IT Support	$5,700.00
Annual Fiscal Audit	$8,000.00
PrePaid Insurance	$6,840.00
Bank Charges	$3,400.00
Equipment Rental/Lease	$5,280.00
Dues & Subscriptions	$5,746.00
Equipment Purchsed	$4,000.00
Purchased Services	$1,524.00
Office Supplies	$1,500.00
Postage and Printing	$4,121.00
Repairs and Maintenance	$5,000.00
Utilities	$17,196.00
Travel, Lodging, & Meals	$1,250.00
Mileage Reimbursement	$600.00
Supplies/Activities- Volunteer	$4,100.00
Supplies/Activities- Youth	$9,375.00
Background Screening	$3,300.00
Media/Radio	$9,000.00
Training	$9,200.00
Assorted Fundraising	$23,800.00
Miscellanious	$1,700.00
Total Operating Expenses	**$151,482.00**
Total Expenses	**$579,742.13**
Depreciation	$20,400.00
Total Expense With Depreciation	**$600,142.13**
REVENUE	
Contracts	
VOCA	$128,750.00
Judicial Council	$42,045.00
Grants	$40,000.00
Board Donations	$3,000.00
Seasonal mailers	$55,000.00
Fall Fundraiser (SKS/KidsWalk)	$76,000.00
Spring Fundraiser (Big Night/Impact)	$80,000.00
Cash Donations	$110,000.00
Nov 2021 Morgan Stanley Gift	$45,000.00
Total Revenue	**$579,795.00**
Planned Giving	$0.00
Total Planned Giving	**$0.00**

CASA of Humboldt
FY 22-23 Budget
Overview

	FY22-23	Optional Growth
Salaries	**$368,578.52**	**$450,738.52**
Benefits and Taxes	**$59,681.61**	**$72,985.27**
Operating Expenses	**$151,482.00**	**$154,422.00**
Total Expenses	**$579,742.13**	**$678,145.79**
Depreciation	$20,400.00	$20,400.00
Total Expense With Depreciation	**$600,142.13**	**$698,545.79**
Total Revenue	**$579,795.00**	**$579,795.00**
Planned Giving	$0.00	$0.00
Total Planned Giving	**$0.00**	**$0.00**

Revenue - Expense	**$52.87**	**-$98,350.79**
Revenue - Expense with Depreciation	**-$20,347.13**	**-$118,750.79**

FY 22-23: Current Team + 1 FT Case Sup
Optional Growth: Current Team + 1 FTE Case Sup + 1 FTE Sr Case Sup + .5 FTE Admin

Potential Funding Sources for Optional Growth:

1. National CASA grant for program expansion
2. CA CASA funds from State budget