DALLAS CASA FACT SHEET

WHAT IS CASA?
• CASA stands for Court Appointed Special Advocates.
• CASA is a non-profit organization that trains and supervises volunteers who are appointed by judges to advocate for the best interests of child victims of abuse and neglect living in the protective care of the state.

ON AN AVERAGE DAY IN DALLAS COUNTY:
• More than six children enter the foster care system.
• More than 2,000 children who have been removed from their homes are waiting for safe and permanent homes.

OTHERS ARE INVOLVED IN THE CASE, BUT:
• CPS caseworkers and attorneys often don’t have the resources and time to gather enough information to help judges make the best decisions for children.
• There is often a high rate of turnover with caseworkers, attorneys and foster homes.
• For many abused and neglected children, a CASA volunteer is the one constant person dedicated only to them during a frightening, uncertain time.

ROLE OF THE VOLUNTEER:
• CASA volunteers act as the eyes and the ears of the judges.
• Volunteers gather information and make recommendations to help judges decide where children can live safely and permanently.
• Volunteers learn the details of each child’s circumstances ensuring that the children are safe and their needs are being met while living in foster care.

THE NEED:
• Dallas CASA is only able to serve three out of four abused and neglected children who need us.
• Our goal is for every abused and neglected child to have a CASA volunteer to advocate for their best interests and help them grow up in safe, loving, “forever” homes where they can thrive.

KEY FACTS:
• In 2017, Dallas CASA served more than 3,100 children in Dallas County with more than 1,300 volunteers.
• It costs $2,030 per year to provide a CASA volunteer to help an abused child have a safe, permanent home.
• It costs taxpayers more than $43,000 per year to provide child welfare services for an abused or neglected child in foster care.
• Donor dollars are optimally leveraged because funds are used to train and support volunteers who provide services for the children through donated time.
### 2018 UNDERWRITING BENEFITS

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| PRESENTING | $100,000 | • Two premier tables for 10 guests each  
• Invitations for 20 to the Patron Party  
• Premier recognition and premier logo placement on all print, promotional and day-of-event materials  
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| CHAMPION | $50,000 | • Two premium tables for 10 guests each  
• Invitations for 20 to the Patron Party  
• Premium recognition with logo on all print, promotional and day-of-event materials |
| PLATINUM | $25,000 | • One priority table for 10 guests  
• Invitations for 10 to the Patron Party  
• Priority recognition with logo on all print, promotional and day-of-event materials |
| CRYSTAL | $15,000 | • One prominent table for 10 guests  
• Invitations for 8 to the Patron Party  
• Prominent placement with logo on all print, promotional and day-of-event materials |
| GOLD | $10,000 | • One preferred table for 10 guests  
• Invitations for 6 to the Patron Party  
• Listing in print and promotional materials |
| SILVER | $5,000 | • One table for 10 guests  
• Invitations for 4 to the Patron Party  
• Listing in print and promotional materials |
| BRONZE | $2,500 | • One table for 10 guests  
• Invitations for 2 to the Patron Party  
• Listing in print and promotional materials |

**VOICES OF HOPE GIVING SOCIETY:** In addition to benefits above, event underwriters can receive Voices of Hope Giving Society membership and be recognized in the event program, annual report and website.

* Print and promotional materials include: press releases, Dallas CASA communication and website.
** Day-of-event materials include: event multi-media presentation, printed program and table signage.
2018 UNDERWRITING CONTRACT

PLEASE PRINT

Sponsor Name (As it should appear in recognition materials. Please include capitals and punctuation)

Benefits Receiver (Person to receive invitations and benefits if sponsor is a corporation or organization)

Contact Name (If different from sponsor name or benefits receiver)

Phone Email

Address City, State Zip Fax

TABLE SPONSORS

[ ] Presenting Sponsor ($100,000)  [ ] Platinum Sponsor ($25,000)  [ ] Gold Sponsor ($10,000)  [ ] Bronze Sponsor ($2,500)
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UNDERWRITING OPPORTUNITIES

[ ] I/We pledge $___________ to the dinner
[ ] I/We cannot attend, but wish to make a donation. Please accept our contribution of $___________ *
  * It costs $2,030 per year to provide a CASA volunteer for an abused child.
[ ] I/We wish to remain anonymous

PAYMENT INFORMATION

[ ] Enclosed is payment in the amount of $___________ (Please make checks payable to “Dallas CASA”)
[ ] Please send an invoice
[ ] Please charge my [ ] VISA  [ ] MasterCard  [ ] AmEx  [ ] Discover

Card Number Exp. Date Sec Code (3-4 digits)

Name on Card (print)

Please return underwriting contract by September 13 for inclusion in the invitation or by November 2 for inclusion in the event program.

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