

Child Advocacy Services presents



Cottages for CASA

HILDRENI Last year, there were approximately 54,092 reported cases of abuse or neglect in Louisiana. Over **8,107** children are living in foster care. These children enter into complex social services and juvenile court proceedings through no fault of their own.

CASA VOLUNTEERS

CASAs-Court Appointed Special Advocates-are community volunteers trained to give special representation to abused children as they navigate through the court system. In 2014, CASA served 476 children with 238 volunteers providing 9313 volunteer hours. As a result to having a CASA, 152 of those children were placed in permanent homes.

CAC, or our Children's Advocacy Center, conducts forensic interviews for children in a safe environment who have disclosed sexual or severe physical abuse. 525 children were protected in 2014 alone. Additional prevention training and printed resources are offered to better protect our children.

- **OTTAGES** for CASA is a playhouse fundraiser to generate public awareness and funding to support the work of CASA and our CAC services in our ten parish area. Local builders, painters, and designers will create two unique playhouses to be raffled.
- OME join in the fun as we raffle these cottages. Only 4,000 tickets will be sold. The playhouses will be displayed in our service areas once they are completed. You can support us by becoming a sponsor. "Playhouse Premier" \$5,000; "Raising the Roof" \$2,500; "Four Walls" \$1,000; and "Floor Up" \$500. We will collect sponsorships throughout the entire project. All sponsors are recognized.
- ELEBRATE with us at our feature event and Cottages for CASA kickoff, Sundresses & Shrimp Boots, on Sunday, September 13, 2015 at The Berry Barn at Liuzza Farms in Amite, LA. This signature kickoff event will be the first unveiling of the playhouse designs and will feature live music, food, libations, and a celebrity guest!
- ONTACT us to learn more about where you can purchase raffle tickets. Call 1-800-798-1575 or visit www.childadv.net. Raffle tickets will go on sale in September. We will be establishing retail outlet partners to sell raffle tickets and display more information on the project in each parish we serve which includes Ascension, Assumption, East and West Feliciana, Livingston, St. Charles, St. Helena, St. James, St. John and Tangipahoa.
- ARINGI All children deserve a safe and permanent home. Proceeds from all ticket sales and sponsorships will be used to continue providing services for children through Child Advocacy Services to strengthen our mission to give voice, healing, and security to children.