



CASA of Travis County Volunteer Training

The CASA Volunteer Training program consists of 8 in-person 3.5-hour classes, an hour of pre-work for each class and 3 hours of courtroom observation (approximately 39 hours total) completed over a 5-week cycle. You must finish all training and observation within the 5 weeks and all background checks must be completed and cleared in order to be assigned to a case.

Cycle E1: Sept 10–Oct 11, 6:00–9:30 pm, Tuesdays & Thursdays

Tues, Sept 10: Class 1 - Introducing the CASA/GAL Volunteer Role

Thurs, Sept 12: Class 2 - The Well-Being of a Child

Tues, Sept 17: Class 3 - Trauma, Resilience and Communication Skills

Thurs, Sept 19: Class 4 - Mental Health, Poverty and Professional Communication

Tues, Sept 24: Class 5 - Substance Abuse and Cultural Competence

Thurs, Sept 26: Class 6 - Domestic Violence and Cultural Competence

Tues, Oct 1: Class 7 - Educational Advocacy, Older Youth and LGBTQ Youth

Thurs, Oct 3: 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 the final Friday of training

Swearing-In Ceremony: Monday, November 4th, 2019

Attend this celebratory ceremony to take your volunteer oath after completing training. Location 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.