

# The Starfish Society

## MONTHLY DONATIONS

Would you like to make a measurable impact on the lives of abused and neglected children but do not know where to begin? Register to donate monthly and become a life changing member of our CASA Starfish Society. Automatic donations -of any amount- are easy to set up and ensure that we have the resources to sustain operations. When you become a monthly donor, you will join a special group of people reaching out each month to children in our community. Together, we can make an impactful difference and give hope of a better life.

## PLANNED GIVING

Did you know there are ways to support CASA of Jackson County that will not affect your current lifestyle or your family's security? You can support CASA with gifts that do not impact the way you live by designating CASA of Jackson County to receive estate assets in the future.

### THE BENEFITS

- You can make a gift that costs you nothing during your lifetime.
- You can make a gift that leaves your cash flow and current financial planning unchanged.
- You don't have to use cash to make your gift; you can "buy low and give high" by making your gift with appreciated securities.
- You can give an asset you no longer need or want.

### GIFTS FROM YOUR WILL OR TRUST

Need to preserve your assets during your lifetime? You can plan a gift to us that will only take effect after your other obligations have ceased:

- Include a bequest to CASA in your will or trust.
- Make your bequest unrestricted or direct it to a specific purpose.
- Indicate a specific amount, or a percentage of the balance remaining in your estate or trust.

### GIFTS FROM A RETIREMENT PLAN

Give us assets subject to double taxation, then leave more to your family:

- Name CASA as a beneficiary of your IRA, 401(k), or other qualified plan.
- Designate us to receive all or a portion of the balance of your plan.
- The balance in your plan passes to CASA after your death.

### GIFTS OF STOCK AND APPRECIATED ASSETS

Here is how to take advantage of appreciated securities without incurring capital gains tax:

- You transfer appreciated stocks, bonds, or mutual fund shares you have owned for more than one year to CASA.
- CASA sells your securities (income tax-free) and uses the proceeds for its programs.

### GIFTS OF LIFE INSURANCE

You don't need a large estate to make a significant gift to us:

- You transfer ownership of a paid-up life insurance policy to CASA.
- CASA elects to cash in the policy now or hold it.



Giving  
THAT  
Grows



# CASA OF JACKSON COUNTY

## Training Schedule Winter 2020



### Before being accepted into training:

1. Attend an agency orientation held at CASA every Thursday from 12:00-1:00 pm
2. Complete your application
3. Complete interview with the Deputy Director (bring application)
4. Begin your background check (\$35 fee payable to CASA of Jackson County)
5. Attend approximate 30 hours of classroom training (schedule below), complete required preclass reading and five hours of court observation.

CASA U Training WINTER 2020 (all sessions required)				
Day	Date	Time	Duration	Location
Tuesday	Feb 4	5:00pm-8:00pm	3 hrs	CASA
Thursday	Feb 6	5:00pm-8:00pm	3 hrs	CASA
Saturday	Feb 8	9:00am-4:00pm	7 hrs	CASA
Tuesday	Feb 11	5:00pm-8:00pm	3 hrs	CASA
Thursday	Feb 13	5:00pm-8:00pm	3 hrs	CASA
Tuesday	Feb 18	8:30am-1:00pm	4.5 hrs	DHS
Thursday	Feb 20	9:00am-1:00pm	4 hrs	CASA
Friday	Feb 21	12:00pm-1:30pm	1.5 hrs	Courthouse

***“When you help a child today,  
you write the history of tomorrow.”***

***~ Father Flanagan***

**CASAs are friends who**

- show up in every foster placement or school, attend special events, celebrate birthdays,
- advocate for the child with teachers, counselors, and other important people in the child's life,
- have legal status to keep judges informed about our CASA children,
- serve as a persistent reminder to the court, social workers, and parents that the children need permanent, safe homes as soon as possible,
- and are the only people who provide this specialized service for our community's children.