

## COURT APPOINTED SPECIAL ADVOCATE (CASA)/ PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY

# ARE YOU FOR THE CHILD?

Are you someone who believes that children have the right to live in a safe & nurturing home? Do you think that if given the right support a child can thrive? Have you ever considered volunteering to help children in need? If you answered yes to any of these questions, then you *are* for the child and Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA)/Prince George's County is looking for you!

Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA)/Prince George's County is hosting an information session on Thursday, January 5, 2012 from 6:00pm to 7:30pm at the Hyattsville Municipal Building located at 4310 Gallatin St., Hyattsville, MD. At this session you will learn about what it means to be a Court Appointed Special Advocate and how you can help. Time will be given for a Q&A session with the Executive Director, Ann Marie Binsner.

Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA)/Prince George's County matches community volunteers with children living in foster care. In about 10 hours per month, CASA volunteers spend time with a child in foster care and advocate for his or her proper care and placement in a safe, permanent home. To prepare our volunteers for their role, 37 hours of training is provided. **Our next training session will be a Winter Evening series beginning January 24<sup>th</sup> and running until February 23.** The training contains a total of 9 required classes that run from 6:00pm to 9:00pm each scheduled night as well as one day of Courtroom Observation (8:00 am – 4:00 pm) which will be offered on Monday, February 13<sup>th</sup> or Tuesday, February 21<sup>st</sup>. A light dinner will be served at each training.

If you are interested in volunteering, please contact us for more information by phone or email, or you may also join us at our information session on January 5th. Volunteers must be 21 or older. Prospective volunteers must submit an application and complete phone & in-person interviews prior to training. Visit our website at [www.pgcasa.org/news](http://www.pgcasa.org/news) for an application.



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