

GORDON COUNTY CASA PROGRAM



Non-Acceptance of a Potential Volunteer

Thank you for your interest in the Gordon County CASA Program. Not every person desiring to be a CASA Volunteer will be accepted into the program. Non-acceptance of potential Volunteers can occur at any time and include, but not be limited to the following categories.

Application, Screening & Orientation:

- Criminal Record
- Transportation concerns, such as no car, driver's license or insurance
- Express an extensive or problematic and unresolved history of child or domestic abuse
- History of substance abuse (If a history, we require at least five years of documented sobriety)
- Failure to sign any requested release of information for further background checks.
- History of investigation by Department of Family and Children Services
- Personal involvement with a DFCS case

Information provided during interviews and training:

- Time and commitment conflicts
- Conflicts of interest with persons providing services to children and/or the child welfare system
- Unresolved personal issues that would impair your ability to be a CASA
- Inability to understand or perform the role of a volunteer as a child advocate
- Inadequate written or oral communication skills
- Less than two years documented sobriety
- Non-clearance from medical personnel/therapist
- History of boundary issues and/or unresolved victimization
- Lack of tolerance
- Lack of flexibility
- Aggressive/Confrontational personality

Arrest and/or conviction for acts punishable as any crime, which include:

- Crimes against a child
- Crimes of a sexual nature
- Drug/substance (DUI/DWI) violations
- Arrests without conviction are subject to review by the Executive Director
- Probation – active or recent