

Georgia CASA FY 2025



\$2,750,000

Total Investment Goal

Serve **75%**

of Children in Foster Care

Recruit/Train 1.000

Advocate

I. Add Staff in Critical High-Need Areas - \$1,500,000

Targeted areas:

- Experience highest rates of foster care entries
- Have more than 300 children without a CASA advocate
- Contain 7 affiliates serving 28 counties and nearly 5,000 children (30% of total children in foster care)
- Need 30 paid staff positions to support additional 1,000 volunteers

Need categories:

Accelerated Volunteer Engagement

Augusta & Columbus Areas

Augusta Area

- 742 children in care
- 58% without CASA advocate
- 4 new staff

Columbus Area

- 603 children in care
- 75% without CASA advocate
- 4 new staff

Extreme Need

Waycross & Lookout Mountain

Lookout Mountain

- 487 children in care
- 89% without CASA advocate
- 4 new staff

Wavcross Area

- 846 children in care
- 81% without CASA advocate
- 6 new staff

Sheer Volume Dekalb **Dekalb** • 846 children in care • 50% without CASA advocate • 4 new staff

Expansion in Untapped Areas

Gwinnett

- 520 children in care
- 88% without CASA advocate
- 4 new staff

Cobb

- 622 children in care
- 78% without CASA advocate
- 4 new staff

II. Expand Network Growth & Sustained Service - \$500,000

- Increase affiliate service levels to address heightened demand and volunteer availability
- · Continue coordinated training, statewide recruitment, screening, and quality assurance efforts

CASA maximizes resources: **CASA** model: Counties \$19M **Current Service** Total budget for CASA in Georgia . State funding for **Paid CASA** CASA in Georgia Supervisor Volunteers Children Supported Served