PHELPS/HARLAN COUNTY CASA

JULY 2026

🚙 6TH ANNUAL JEEP POKER RUN

Thank you to everyone who participated, volunteered, sponsored, and supported our 6th Annual Jeep Poker Run!
This event would not be possible without the incredible support of our volunteers, sponsors, and community members. Your generosity helps CASA continue advocating for children in Phelps and Harlan Counties.
Thank you for helping make this year's event a success!

🎒 BACK-TO-SCHOOL BACKPACK & SHOES DRIVE

As we prepare for the upcoming school year, CASA is launching our Back-to-School Backpack & Shoes Drive.
Many of our CASA kiddos need basic school essentials to start the year feeling confident and prepared.
Items needed: New backpacks, New tennis shoes (all youth sizes), School supplies
If you are interested in sponsoring a child or donating items, please contact our office.
Together, we can help every child start the school year ready for success.

📊 CASA BY THE NUMBERS

Current Youth Served: 36
CASA Children Currently Being Served: 19
Children Waiting for a CASA Volunteer: 18
Active CASA Volunteers: 9
Volunteers Currently on Leave: 1

CASA-FUN FACT

- Half the risk: Children with a volunteer are 50% less likely to re-enter the child welfare system once their case is closed.
- Long-term stability: Over 90% of children assigned an advocate never return to the foster system

250th Celebration in Holdrege

🇺🇸 America 250 Celebration in Holdrege

Phelps/Harlan County CASA was proud to participate in the America 250 Celebration in downtown Holdrege!

We enjoyed spending the day visiting with community members and sharing information about CASA and the important work we do for children in Phelps and Harlan Counties. Our team handed out pinwheels, necklaces, and other goodies while connecting with families and community supporters.

Thank you to everyone who stopped by our booth to learn more about CASA, ask questions, and show support for our mission. We always appreciate the opportunity to be part of community events and raise awareness about the children we serve.

It was a wonderful celebration, and we loved being part of such a special event honoring America's 250th anniversary!





BACK-TO-SCHOOL BACKPACK & SHOES DRIVE

Here's the link for your donation

HELP A CASA CHILD START THE SCHOOL YEAR STRONG!

As the new school year approaches, we want to help every child we serve start the year feeling confident, prepared, and excited to learn.

Phelps/Harlan County CASA is launching our "Step Into the School Year" Back-to-School Campaign to provide shoes, backpacks, and school supplies for the 36 children currently served by CASA.

Many of these children have experienced abuse or neglect and are navigating difficult circumstances. A new pair of shoes, a backpack, or basic school supplies may seem small, but these items can make a huge difference in helping a child feel included, confident, and ready to succeed.

How You Can Help

Donations of any amount are greatly appreciated and will directly support local CASA children as they prepare for the upcoming school year.

Our Goal

To ensure all 36 CASA children receive:

A new pair of school shoes

A backpack

Essential school supplies

Our goal is to raise $2,500 to provide back-to-school shoes, backpacks, and essential school supplies for the children we serve

Together, we can help these children walk into the school year with confidence and know that their community cares.

Thank you for helping CASA kids take their first steps toward a successful school year!

Jeep Poker Run - Thank You!

🚙 WOW! THANK YOU! 🚙

Thank you to the amazing support of our community, Our 6th Annual Jeep Poker Run raised an incredible $13,498 for Phelps/Harlan County CASA!

A huge thank you to all of our Sponsors, Participants, Volunteers, Resource, Board of Directors, Staff, Community members and Supporters who made this event possible. We truly could not have done this without you! Thank you to Travis Kreutzer for coordinating the event, Wiedel's Borderline Mud Bash for promoting our event and generously allowing us to use their land, and the Schofield's for their generosity in allowing us to use their land as well, and everyone who donated raffle items to help make the day such a success. Your generosity, time, and support help us continue advocating for children who have experienced abuse and neglect in our community, and we truly could not do it without you.

From the bottom of our hearts, thank you for helping make a difference in the lives of local children.






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Thank You, Eileen Hanson!

💙 Community Spotlight: Thank You, Eileen Hanson!

A special thank you to Eileen Hanson for her generous donation of beautiful handmade quilts for some of the children we serve through CASA.

Each quilt was thoughtfully made with care, love, and kindness. These quilts are more than just blankets—they provide comfort, warmth, and a reminder that there are people in our community who care deeply about our children.

We are incredibly grateful for Eileen's generosity and the time and talent she dedicated to creating these special gifts. Your kindness will bring comfort to children for years to come, and we cannot thank you enough for your support of our CASA kiddos.



Thank you to Minden KAAPA Ethanol LLC

A heartfelt thank you to Minden KAAPA Ethanol LLC for their generous donation of canned goods and pantry items to Phelps/Harlan County CASA!

Your kindness and support will help us provide food and essential items to the children and families we serve. Community partnerships like yours make a meaningful difference, and we are so grateful for your generosity.

Thank you for helping us care for local children and families in need. We truly appreciate your support!





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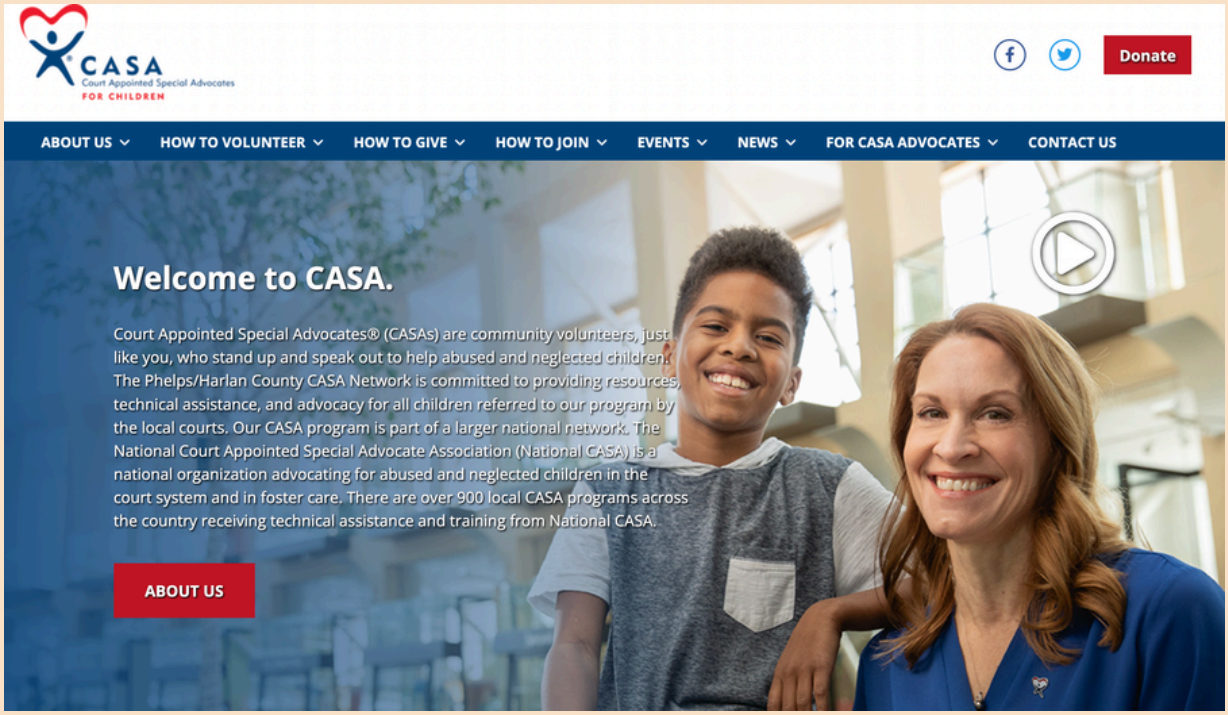
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