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Learn How Your Voice Can Make a Difference in the Life of an Abused & Neglected Child at CASA 101

Adams & Broomfield Counties, CO – CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates) of Adams and Broomfield Counties invites you to learn how your voice can make a difference in the life of an abused and neglected child at their ‘CASA 101’ Information Session on Thursday, September 29, 2011 from 11:30 AM – 1:00 PM at Anythink Library located at 9417 Huron Street, Thornton. ‘CASA 101’ will provide attendees with an overview of the program which is currently seeking caring, community volunteers to advocate on behalf of abused and neglected children who have open cases in the judicial system.

“This year alone, over half a million abused and neglected children in our country will be unable to live safely at home. Over 1,300 of these children live here in Adams & Broomfield Counties,” said Bill Christopher, CASA of Adams & Broomfield Counties Board Chair. “Many of these children have been removed from their homes and live in foster care. These children don’t have to remain in the system though, as a CASA Volunteer you can help ensure a child is placed in a safe, permanent home.”

CASA of Adams & Broomfield Counties is looking for individuals who are interested in becoming CASA Volunteer Advocates. CASA is a non-profit organization that recruits, trains and supports dedicated community volunteers who represent the best interests of abused and neglected children who are involved in the court system, through no fault of their own.

Christopher added, “Through CASA you can help ensure that children who are in foster care or in the care of the county are placed in safe permanent homes quickly. You can also help advocate for their best health and educational interests. Over 75% of CASA Volunteers have full-time jobs and families; many others are retired or semi-retired people that continue to make a difference in their communities. All it takes is 10-15 hours a month and the desire to make a difference in the life of a child!”

CASA staff members and volunteers who are active on CASA cases will be on hand to speak with guests about the program, as well as help those interested in taking the next step to become a volunteer. CASA's next volunteer training class begins in October. For more information about 'CASA 101' or to RSVP, visit www.casa17th.org or contact Lisandra Gonzales at lisandra@casa17th.com or 303.655.3927.

CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates) of Adams and Broomfield Counties is a 501 (c)(3) non-profit organization that trains, supports and supervises community volunteers who advocate for the best interests of innocent child victims of abuse and neglect. Each year, in Adams and Broomfield Counties, there are over 1,300 children who have been physically, sexually or emotionally abused or neglected, and who are in desperate need of a caring, committed CASA Volunteer to speak up for their best interests. In Adams and Broomfield Counties, there are over 250 CASA volunteers, and we are in need of more great community members to become advocates for children. CASA conducts volunteer training classes three times a year. The next class begins in October 2011. For more information about CASA, call 303.654.3378 or visit www.casa17th.org.

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Your Voice Can Make a World of Difference...

Join us for an introduction to CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates) of Adams & Broomfield Counties and learn how you can use your voice to speak up on behalf of an abused and neglected child in court.

**Thursday, 9.29.11
11:30 - 1:00 PM**

**Anythink Library
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