

The Heart and Sole Boutique at CASA's 13th ANNUAL HEART AND SOLE SHOE MARKET

The 13th Annual Heart and Sole Shoe Market will be held on Saturday, April 14, 2012 (8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.) in the Lynchburg Armory. The Preview Party will be held on Friday, April 13, from 5:30 to 8:00 p.m. A maximum of 350 tickets for the Preview Party will be available for purchase at \$25.00. This premier fundraising event sells new, brand name shoes and accessories. Vendors will again be welcome to participate in the **Heart and Sole Boutique** and display and sell their products. Over 1,500 shoppers from across Central Virginia look forward each spring to buying quality shoes at drastically reduced prices and other products. CASA of Central Virginia is seeking sponsors to underwrite all expenses so 100% of the revenue raised can go to support our mission.

LOCATION:

Lynchburg Armory – 1200 Church Street in Downtown Lynchburg

VENDOR TIMES:

Preview Party: Friday, April 13, 5:30 to 8:00 p.m.

(Set up must be completed by 5:00 p.m.)

Saturday, April 14, 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

(Set up must be completed by 7:30 a.m.)

VENDOR FEES:

- ♥ \$50 and a door prize for PREVIEW PARTY ONLY
- ♥ \$100 FOR SATURDAY ONLY
- ♥ \$125 (and a door prize) FOR PREVIEW PARTY AND SATURDAY

Note: Fees are for one eight-foot rectangular table, which will be supplied by CASA of Central VA.

Deadline for Registration:

April 6, 2012

All pre-registered vendors will be included in publicity about the event.

ABOUT CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates) OF CENTRAL VIRGINIA

What is our main purpose?

CASA of Central Virginia recruits, trains, supports and monitors caring volunteers to advocate for abused and neglected children in juvenile dependency proceedings in the 24th Judicial District. This district includes the cities of Lynchburg and Bedford and the counties of Amherst, Bedford, Campbell and Nelson, home to nearly a quarter of a million people across a 2,258 square mile area.

What are the duties of a CASA volunteer?

1. Thoroughly investigate the child's situation.
2. Submit to the court a written report regarding the child's best interests.
3. Monitor the case to ensure that the child receives the services ordered by the court.
4. Aid the guardian *ad litem* (GAL), an attorney who represents the child's legal interests.
5. Serve as a Mandated Reporter of child abuse and/or neglect.

CASA is authorized by the Code of Virginia, Sections 9.1-153 to perform the five duties listed above.

Description of Services

The CASA program is based on the concept that every child has a right to a safe, permanent home. The Juvenile and Domestic Relations Court Judge can appoint a "Court Appointed Special Advocate" (CASA) to a case involving a child who is a victim of abuse and/or neglect and for whom home placement is being determined in court. The CASA then becomes an official part of the judicial proceedings. CASA volunteers work alongside guardians *ad litem* (or Gal's - attorneys who represent the child's legal interests), social workers and other service providers, as an appointed officer of the court, advocating exclusively for the child's best interests.

FAST FACTS ABOUT CASA OF CENTRAL VIRGINIA

- ♥ The “CASA concept” originated in Seattle, WA in 1977 and has spread across the nation to over 1,000 programs in 46 states.
- ♥ There are 27 CASA programs in Virginia.
- ♥ The local CASA program was established in 1989 at the request of Judge Dale Harris and other Juvenile Court Judges to serve the children of Lynchburg and Amherst.
- ♥ In 1994 CASA of Central VA (CASACV) was incorporated as a 501 (c) (3) non-profit organization to serve the 24th Judicial District.
- ♥ The 24th Judicial District includes the cities of Bedford and Lynchburg and the counties of Campbell, Bedford, Amherst and Nelson.
- ♥ This district covers a 2,258 square mile area.
- ♥ Since 1990 CASA has served over **3,000** children who were victims of abuse and neglect.
- ♥ Total number of children served in FY 2010- 2011: **528**.
- ♥ The geographic breakdown of the children served in FY 2010-2011 is as follows:
 - 33% of children served live in Lynchburg.
 - 48% of children served live in Bedford City and County
 - 8% of the children served live in Campbell County
 - 5% of the children served live in Amherst County
 - 6% of the children served live in Nelson County
- ♥ Number of active CASA volunteers: **101**.
- ♥ Total number of hours contributed by CASA volunteers in FY 2010-2011: **9,442**
- ♥ Offices: administrative office and satellite offices in Lynchburg, Bedford, Amherst and Rustburg.
- ♥ Fiscal year: July 1 through June 30.
- ♥ All contributions are fully tax-deductible.

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