#### FIRST NEWS NOW

First Judicial District CASA Association

OCTOBER 2021



## Happy Birthday!

10.4 Judith D.

10.4 Kassie W.

10.11 Bob H.

10.30 Princess S.

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#### **THANKS**

## CASA KUDOS

Thank you to **Paul W.** for helping with new volunteer training and the most recent coffee with casa!

Shout out to **Jacy D**. for helping deliver the savers fundraiser items to North Kansas City!

Kudos to **Stephanie** for planning another not one but two parades!

Thank you to **Maria A**. from **Frontier Community Credit Union** for volunteering her time to help in our office!

Thank you to **Sarah F.** and the **Gunslingers** for organizing a ride in honor of Detective Dan Abramovitz.

Thank you to **Judge Lowdon** for coming to meet with new volunteers in training!

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We are on live social media! Every third Wednesday of the month we go live and share information about our programs, upcoming events, and answer questions. Please share our events on social media with those who may be interested to learn a bit more with no commitment!

Coffee With CASA | Facebook





#### **VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION**







### CHRISTMAS AT CASA

It's beginning to be that time of year again at the CASA office! If you are interested in supporting CASA and the kiddos of CASA please consider purchasing one of the most requested items off of our list or check out the amazon wish list link. If you are not inclined to purchase an item, we welcome monetary donations and we will do the shopping for you! Please consider supporting in a way that you feel best.



#### **Amazon Link**

https://a.co/iT4cAPA

Also in need of wrapping supplies including gift bags and boxes, tape, tissue paper, labels

#### **Most Requested Items**

- Pop-Its (Fidgets)
- Gift Cards (amazon, Xbox, PlayStation, Casey's, Walmart, GameStop)
- Legos
- Underwear (all sizes)
- Older kid/teen board games

- KC Chiefs Items
- Hygiene Sets
- Character Toys
- Art Supplies
- Hair Care/Accessories
- Books (All ages)

If you are interested in adopting a child, please contact Heather @ CASA.



Our 12 weeks of Christmas is off and running! Each week we are promoting a different category, along with item suggestions. Please share this with your people if you can. Each time an individual brings in an item, they can leave their information on the donation log to be entered into our drawing for a gift card tree when our 12 weeks ends. The 12 weeks of Christmas does NOT replace the adoptions we have for specific kiddos wish lists.



If you or someone you know is interested in learning more about CASA, we encourage them to pop in to the CASA office on **Monday, November 1st at noon.** They will be provided with information about CASA and the volunteer opportunities available.



#### **2021 VETERANS DAY PARADE**



#### **2021 Veterans Day Parade**

CASA will be participating in the 2021 Veterans Day Parade in downtown Leavenworth on <u>Thursday</u>, <u>November</u>

11th. The parade will commence at 11:30am at the intersection of 4th and Cherokee St. going East. If you are interested in riding on the CASA float or walking with CASA, please

contact Stephanie by Monday, November 1st.

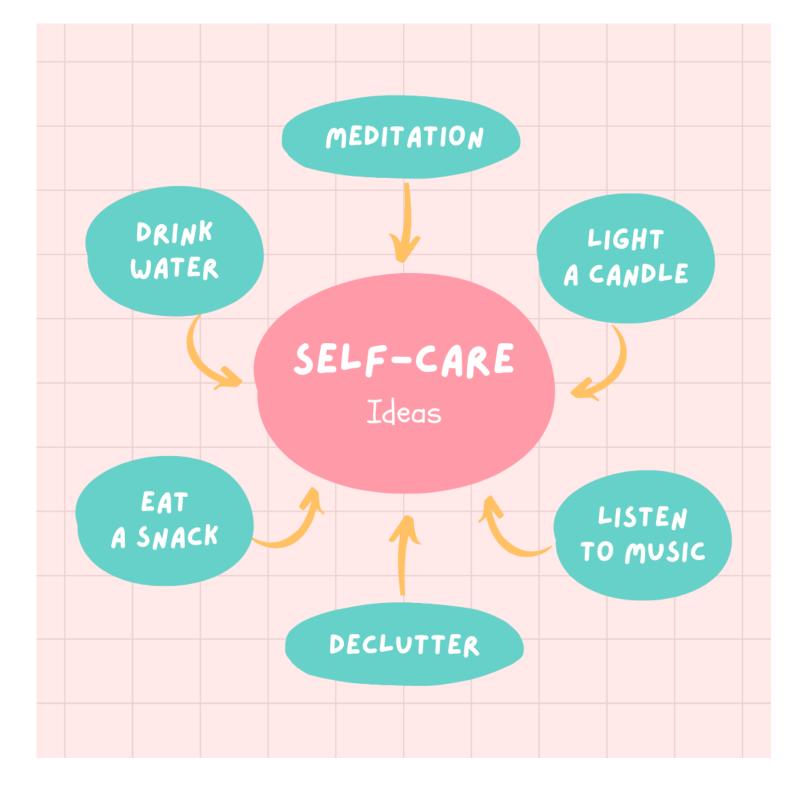




CASA will be launching an end of the year campaign entitled Unwrap Hope. Beginning in November, we will begin to release more information. This will be similar to the Helping Harper campaign that was successful in raising funds to continue operations last year.

### Giving Tuesday

In conjunction with the end of the year campaign (Unwrap Hope), Giving Tuesday will be **Tuesday, November 30th**. CASA will be very active on social media that day. We are asking all of you who have social media to please share our content to help us reach our fundraising goal that day of \$2,500.



"It is important to make sure you are taking care of yourself. Engaging in self care can help you be more productive and help you destress.

Doing simple little things here and there can do a lot for your mental health. Whether it is imply listening to music, journaling, or going as far as meditating everyday. Just do what makes you happy and healthy."

-KC Kansas Angels (photo and text credit to KC Kansas Angels, Facebook Post)



Join our table and learn how you can become a volunteer to advocate for kiddos in our community! If you or someone you know is interested in learning more about CASA and the volunteer opportunities, please RSVP to Stephanie to join our table.

#### CASA & COCOA



Join us for a tour of the CASA offices and hot cocoa on **Wednesday, November 17th.** Information about our programs and the volunteer opportunities will be available.



Thank you to all who came by for the Root Beer Float event in October! We appreciate your support!

#### ATCHISON, KANSAS

# APARADEY OF LIGHTS

CASA will be participating in the Atchison Parade of Lights on **Saturday, December 4th.** If you are interested in helping with or riding on the float or walking with CASA at this parade, please contact Stephanie by Friday, November 26th.

#### **Presentations**



Are you involved in another group or organization? CASA is seeking new groups to speak to and share our mission and volunteer opportunities. Please contact Jere at the office if you have a group in mind that we may be able to speak to.



WE ARE EXCITED TO ANNOUNCE
OUR PARTNERSHIP WITH THE
BUFFALO WILD WINGS FAMILY

ANYTIME YOU DINE AT BUFFALO WILD WINGS IN LEAVENWORTH, MENTION OUR TEAM TO SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL CASA

# TEAM K

THANK YOU FOR ALL
OF YOUR SUPPORT

#### WEBSITE NEEDS



We are seeking volunteers who would be interested in providing a quote for our website. Additionally, if you would be interested in being featured on our website we would love to share a photo of you as well. As our website is consistently improving, this is a project that is still in development. If you are interested, please email Jere' and if you are interested in providing just a quote or a photo as well.

## See's Candy



https://www.yumraising.com/secure/firstjdc first judicial district casa78/

CASAs See's candy storefront remains open. Consider purchasing See's candy and a portion of the proceeds will be donated back to CASA!

The mission of First Judicial District CASA Association is to "protect children today for stronger families tomorrow by providing trained, court appointed volunteers to advocate for the best interests of children and youth."

# Nite at the Races



Nite at the Races
Friday, **September 17th.**Sponsored By:



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## Kansas Country Store

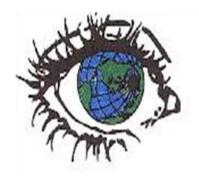
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