

CASA OF MERCER COUNTY

101 N. Main Street, Suite #307, Celina, Ohio 45822

Name	Date of Birth
Address	Soc. Sec. #
city zip	Gender: M or F
Maiden Name	Race:
Employer's Address	Home Phone:
	Bus. Phone:
city zip Occupation	May you be called at work?
Work schedule	Emergency Contact
your present address on back (Adult life)	Emergency Phone #
Name of Spouse (if Married)	Volunteer e-mail:
How did you hear of CASA of Mercer County:	
Children:	
Name	DOB:
	DOB:
	DOB:

	ou belong?	
	Phone	
Offices currently held?		
TRANSPORTATION		
Do you have a valid driver's license? Y	/es No Driver's License #:	
Is a car available to you? Y	Ves No	
Insurance Co	Liability Limits	
Policy Number		
EMPLOYMENT AND VOLUNTEER HIS	STORY	
Previous volunteer work		
	Phone	
Job Description		
Previous employer		
	Phone	
EDUCATION/TRAINING/EXPERIENCE	E	
	Yes No	
Name of School and year graduated		
College Diploma Y	res No	
Name of College and years attended		

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Do you have training and/or work exp	perience in any of the following areas?
art/graphics	health care
child care	law enforcement
child development	mental health
counseling	news media
criminology	psychology
drug/alcohol abuse	public speaking
education	social work
writing	
LEGAL HISTORY Have you ever been arrested?	Yes No
If yes, please explain	
Have you every been involved in a ju	venile court case (as an adult or child)? Yes No
If ves explain	

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PERSONAL REFERENCES

Please print names, addresses, zip codes, phone numbers of people who have known you for at least two years, who know you well and who can address themselves to how you relate to children/people in general, and how well you could fulfill the responsibility of a CASA. Please do not include relatives. The CASA program staff will contact the references you list.

Name	Relationship
Daytime phone	Length of acquaintance
Address	
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AFFIRMATION

I hereby affirm that all of the answers on this volunteer application for the CASA of Mercer County Program are true to the best of my knowledge. I hereby authorize the CASA of Mercer County Program to investigate my background and complete national, state and local background checks to determine my fitness as a potential CASA volunteer. I understand that the information requested in this application will be used only for the purpose of determining my suitability as a Court Appointed Special Advocate and that any applicant found to have been convicted of or have charges pending for misdemeanors/felonies involving a sex offense, child abuse or neglect, or related acts that would pose risks to children or the program's credibility will be terminated from the CASA program. Further, I understand that after the successful completion of my training, I will be expected to serve a minimum of one year or for as long as the child (or children) to whom I am assigned are under the court's jurisdiction. If unforeseen circumstances prevent me from fulfilling this obligation, I will submit my written resignation to the Executive Director as soon as possible. I am aware of the sensitive and confidential nature of the official documents, reports and other material I will examine in my capacity as a CASA volunteer. I will discuss the contents of these materials only with those persons who are parties to the case, their legal representatives, or those persons who will be consulted for their professional knowledge or expertise.

Date Signed

Signature of CASA applicant

Please also sign RELEASE OF INFORMATION on the next page and send this application to:

CASA of Mercer County, 101 N. Main Street, Suite #307, Celina, Ohio 45822

RELEASE OF INFORMATION

I hereby give my informed consent to the Mercer County Probate/Juvenile Court and Court Appointed Special Advocate/Guardian ad Litem (CASA/GAL) Program to complete a thorough investigation of my character and fitness to serve with the CASA of Mercer County program.

I understand that by signing this release, I authorize inquiries to be made concerning my suitability as a volunteer or staff member to references that I have provided, which include my past and present employers. I further authorize police checks, Bureau of Criminal Investigation checks (includes sex offender registry, local, state and national), social security verification, and children protective services agencies history checks and includes any other county/state I have lived in within the past seven (7) years.

I understand that information requested in this application and other information that may otherwise be obtained will be used only for the purpose of deciding my fitness and suitability to serve with the CASA/GAL program and may be shared with other CASA programs.

I further understand that Ohio law may require additional background checks on me in the future to remain a part of the CASA program. I hereby agree to cooperate with such required checks and/or investigations and to sign all necessary releases or resign from the CASA program.

I understand that if I refuse to sign this authorization or submit the required information or fingerprints for any background checks, my application will be rejected. I understand that background checks will be updated at least every four years, if I am accepted into the CASA of Mercer County Program. I hereby agree to cooperate with such required checks and or investigations and to sign all necessary releases or resign from the CASA program.

This release is good until revoked by me, in writing, at any time before it has been acted upon. Criteria used in the selection of CASA/GAL volunteers and staff will be such as to ensure that each accepted applicant is able to meet the responsibilities. No individual will be rejected because of ethnicity, gender, handicap, nationality, race, religion, sexual orientation, age, if at least 21 years of age, or marital status.

I understand that the CASA of Mercer County Program reserves the sole right to determine which individuals are suitable to become a volunteer or staff member of the CASA program. Individuals who have been convicted of, or have charges pending for a felony or misdemeanor involving a sex offense, child abuse or neglect or related acts that would pose risks to children or the program's credibility will not be accepted as a volunteer or staff member of the CASA program.

Print Full Name		
Social Security #	 -	
Date of Birth		
Signature	 Date	

FOR RESPONDING ORGANIZATION/AGENCY'S USE

Has your department had any contact with this individual? Yes No, if possible, please expla	ain
on the back of this form.	
Are there any active warrants for this individual? YesNo	

Completed by: Date:

Thank you for helping to screen volunteers who will be advocating for the Abused/neglected/dependent *vouth of Mercer County!*