# Get involved with Voices for Children

Voices for Children is a nonprofit organization that trains and supports very special volunteers called Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASAs). CASAs are appointed by judges to advocate for children who have been abused or neglected and have entered foster care. We are the only nonprofit organization in Riverside County authorized by the court to provide this resource for children.



## **Corporate Support**

Voices for Children is actively developing partnerships with community-minded businesses and corporations. The generosity of our partners allows for the recruitment, training, and support of our CASA volunteers. Your support will truly make a difference in the life of an abused and neglected child.

## Ways to Help

Corporate philanthropy, workplace giving, and creating awareness through internal outreach and communications are just a few ways you can support Voices for Children and help keep children safe. Let us help tailor a specific program to your budget and philanthropic goals. We welcome the opportunity to explore ways to engage your employees or members in a partnership with Voices for Children.



# Workplace Giving & Employee Engagement

Raise funds. If you have an idea for a fundraising event or activity to be hosted by your group and are looking for a great beneficiary, consider helping abused and neglected children in foster care by selecting Voices for Children to receive the proceeds from your event. This support will make it possible for us to provide CASAs to more vulnerable children.

- Consider hosting a blue jeans day at your office. Ask your staff to wear blue jeans for a donation of a few dollars to support Voices for Children.
- Create a contest where employees make a donation for a chance to win an extra day off.
- Host a silent auction, bake sale, happy hour, or car wash with your colleagues to raise funds to support Voices for Children.
- Other ideas include restaurant openings, golf tournaments, and 5K runs. Choose Voices for Children to benefit from your self-organized special events and philanthropic activities.

**Gift Card Drives**. What are your favorite childhood memories? You can help children in foster care create their own memories of happy birthdays and joyous holidays!

• Donate \$25 Target gift cards so the children can shop for their own gift to celebrate their birthday or the holidays.



# Spreading the Word

Invite Voices for Children to share information with your employees or members.

- Host a lunch and learn program. Maximize your impact when you bring your colleagues together to learn about the challenges that children in foster care are facing and how Voices for Children's volunteer CASAs are shaping brighter futures for them.
- Publish information about Voices for Children in your company or organization eNews and on social media.
- Display Voices for Children flyers on bulletin boards and in breakrooms and lobbies. Allow us to place a banner in your lobby for a week. The banner will have a brochure-holder so employees can take one and learn more about VFC.
- Invite Voices for Children to participate in Volunteer or Health & Wellness Fairs and employee group events.
- Lend your voice. Like us on Facebook or other social media and send a message about how others can help children who are abused and neglected rise above their circumstances by becoming a CASA volunteer. Share our posts to help spread the word.
- **Volunteer**. CASA volunteers are critically needed to speak for children in court. At any given time, we have 150 Riverside County children on our waiting list. Maybe they're waiting for you? Or the person whose desk is next to yours? You can help an abused child rise above their circumstances by becoming a CASA volunteer.
- **Learn**. Join our email list for up-to-date information about child welfare and ways to help. Sign up for our newsletter at **www.speakupnow.org**.

## Corporate Giving

- If your company has a community grants program, let's talk about your giving priorities and determine if Voices for Children is a good fit.
- Participate in Voices for Children's Giving Tuesday Campaign as a company or as a corporate-sponsored employee initiative.

#### Payroll Deducted Donations to Voices for Children

Promote an opportunity for your employees to support us through payroll deductions. Each month, you can share a story about a child that they helped through their donation.

#### Get Started Today

For more information about how your company or organization can support children in foster care who have been abused and neglected, please contact **giving@speakupnow.org**.