

Oregon CASA Network

2019 ANNUAL REPORT

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CHANGE A
CHILD'S STORY.™





There's no
place like hope.

LETTER FROM THE CEO

Dear Friends,

In 2017-18, the Oregon CASA Network (OCN) board created a vision plan to establish OCN as a highly effective state CASA organization. The first step was hiring a CEO with national child welfare and capacity-building experience. I am honored to have been appointed as that leader. I took the helm in late August 2018.

In FY18-19, your support contributed to two additional milestones in our mission to lead Oregon's CASA programs to provide a strong voice for every abused and neglected child statewide:

- ▶ Our network has a vast amount of collective knowledge, from where to find specialized child disability services in the state to how to best explain the CASA's role to a child's parents. To increase consistency and quality across program sites, we developed a searchable, web-based **knowledge-sharing platform** for local CASA program staff to share tips, templates, resources, and questions and answers.
- ▶ Oregon's foster youth told us they want more diverse CASA volunteers. We constantly strive to best understand how each child we advocate for views their world. And we know all children's outcomes should be based on their interests and equal opportunities rather than skin color, national origin, sexual preferences, or others' biases. We partnered with the Center for Equity and Inclusion and Portland State U.'s Center for Improvement of Child and Family Services to launch a multi-year **diversity, equity, and inclusion** initiative that will strengthen our equity lens, address implicit (unconscious) biases, increase CASA volunteer and personnel diversity, and help all children in the child welfare system to feel heard, be understood, and thrive.

Your support means that Oregon children traumatized by abused and neglect will have a specially-trained volunteer advocate by their side – a volunteer who is supported by high quality programs and highly knowledgeable staff. CASA advocacy gives the gift of hope – the kind of hope that translates into better school performance, less time lingering in foster care, and increased stability.

You change a child's story. Thank you.

DEBRA GILMORE

Debra Gilmore
CEO, Oregon CASA Network

IMPACT

CASA Best-Interest Advocacy



In 2018...



THE CHALLENGE

More than **11,000** children spent at least one day in foster care.



THE EFFORT

5,728 abused and neglected children had a CASA volunteer.



NEW VOLUNTEERS

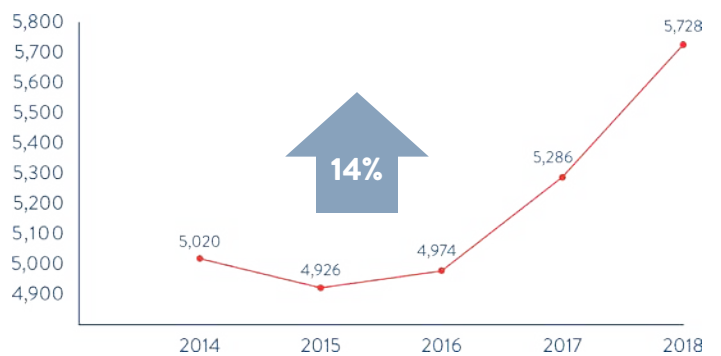
548 Oregon citizens were sworn in as new CASA volunteers.



TOTAL VOLUNTEERS

Statewide, there were **2,044** active CASA volunteers.

5-Year Trend: Total Children Served



In 2018, 2,044 CASA volunteers donated 234,028 hours of best-interests advocacy to 5,728 maltreated children in Oregon.
*That's a value of \$5,951,332!**

* Based on Independent Sector's national estimate of the value of volunteer time in 2018, found at <https://independentsector.org/value-of-volunteer-time-2018/>

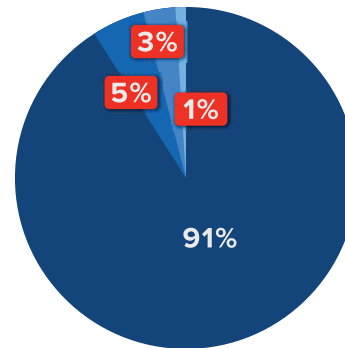


Thank you for giving hope a helping hand.

OREGON CASA NETWORK FINANCIAL OVERVIEW (FY 2018-2019)

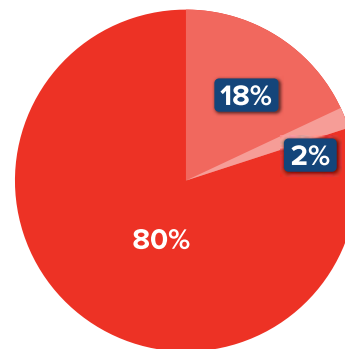
	Year-to-Date	% of Total
Revenue:		
Foundation Grants*	496,936	91%
Membership Fees	28,013	5%
National CASA & Other	18,237	3%
Individual & Corporate Contributions	6,995	1%
Total Revenue	\$550,181	100%

* Includes \$200,000 in local program pass-through funding, to be distributed in FY 2019-20.



- Foundation Grants
- Membership Fees
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Expenses:		
Program Services	161,902	80%
Administration	35,804	18%
Development	3,963	2%
Total Expenses	\$201,749	100%



- Program Services
- Administration
- Development