



COURT APPOINTED SPECIAL ADVOCATE PROGRAM
17TH Judicial Circuit - BOONE COUNTY - ILLINOIS
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VOLUNTEER APPLICATION FORM

NAME: _____ PHONE (H): _____

PHONE (W): _____ PHONE (C): _____

ADDRESS: _____
(Street) (City) (Zip)

E-MAIL: _____

SOC. SEC. No: ___ - ___ - ___ BIRTHDATE: _____

Emergency Contact (Name and Phone Number(s): _____

Have you lived outside the state of Illinois in the last five years? Yes No

If yes, please list all addresses, state and zip codes: _____

CURRENT OCCUPATION: _____

May we contact you at work? Yes No

If yes, please list work phone: _____

Do you have personal transportation? Yes No

Car Insurance Carrier: _____

DO YOU SPEAK ANY LANGUAGES OTHER THAN ENGLISH? IF YES, PLEASE LIST:

EDUCATION

HIGH SCHOOL: _____

GRADE COMPLETED: _____

COLLEGE/TRADE SCHOOL: _____

YEARS COMPLETED: _____

DEGREES/TRAINING: _____

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

CURRENT EMPLOYER: _____

NAME & ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____

TYPE OF WORK: _____

HOW LONG HAVE YOU WORKED AT YOUR PRESENT JOB? _____

PREVIOUS EMPLOYER: _____

NAME & ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____

TYPE OF WORK: _____

HOW LONG EMPLOYED AT THIS JOB? (List approx. dates) _____

OTHER SKILLS/VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

PLEASE LIST OTHER SKILLS OR EXPERIENCE (INCLUDING PREVIOUS VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE OR OTHER WORK EXPERIENCE) THAT WOULD BE HELPFUL IN WORKING ON BEHALF OF ABUSED AND NEGLECTED CHILDREN:

HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT THE CASA PROGRAM?

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

HAVE YOU EVER BEEN DESIGNATED AS A PERPETRATOR OF, OR IN ANY OTHER CAPACITY INVOLVED IN AN INDICATED REPORT OF CHILD ABUSE OR NEGLECT IN ILLINOIS, OR IN ANY OTHER STATE? Yes No

IF YES, PLEASE EXPLAIN:
HAVE YOU EVER BEEN CONVICTED OF:

- A MISDEMEANOR? Yes No
- A FELONY? Yes No
- A SERIOUS TRAFFIC CHARGE? Yes No

IF YOU ANSWERED “YES” TO ANY OF THE ABOVE QUESTIONS, PLEASE PROVIDE DETAILS IN THE SPACE BELOW:

<u>ALLEGED OFFENSE</u>	<u>AGE AT THE TIME</u>	<u>CHARGE</u>	<u>CITY/STATE</u>	<u>OUTCOME</u>
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DO YOU HAVE ANY CRIMINAL CHARGES PENDING AT PRESENT? Yes No

IF YES, EXPLAIN:

WHY DO YOU WANT TO BECOME A CASA? (Use more space if needed)

REFERENCES (Please list three – do not use spouse or relatives) (**must include mailing address**)

1. Name: _____ Phone: _____
Place of Employment: _____ Occupation: _____
Address: _____
City, State, Zip _____

2. Name: _____ Phone: _____
Place of Employment: _____ Occupation: _____
Address: _____
City, State, Zip _____

3. Name: _____ Phone: _____
Place of Employment: _____ Occupation: _____
Address: _____
City, State, Zip _____

THE PRIMARY CONCERN OF THE JUVENILE COURT MUST BE THE SAFETY AND WELL-BEING OF THE CHILDREN BROUGHT BEFORE THE COURT. TO INSURE THIS, THE COURT MUST SCREEN BOTH STAFF AND VOLUNTEERS VERY CAREFULLY, CHECKING PERSONAL REFERENCES AND COMPLETING THE NECESSARY CHILD ABUSE/NEGLECT TRACKING SYSTEM (CANTS) AS WELL AS CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECKS.

AUTHORIZATION OF APPLICANT

YOUR SIGNATURE BELOW INDICATES YOUR AUTHORIZATION TO ALLOW THE BOONE COUNTY CASA PROGRAM STAFF TO COMPLETE A THOROUGH CANTS AND CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECK, INCLUDING A FINGERPRINT BASED INQUIRY AND SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER VERIFICATION, OR YOUR WILLINGNESS TO EXECUTE FURTHER RELEASES TO ALLOW US TO CARRY OUT BACKGROUND CHECKS. YOUR SIGNATURE BELOW ALSO MEANS THAT YOU ARE REASONABLY SURE THAT YOU WILL BE ABLE TO MAKE A MINIMUM 24-MONTH COMMITMENT AS A CASA AND ALSO COMPLETE AT LEAST TWELVE (12) HOURS OF IN-SERVICE TRAINING PER YEAR.

The information contained herein is true and correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief:

SIGNATURE: _____

DATE: _____

THE BOONE COUNTY CASA PROGRAM RESERVES THE RIGHT TO DENY ADMITTANCE INTO THE PROGRAM TO ANY INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE BEEN CONVICTED OF CERTAIN OFFENSES OR WHO WE BELIEVE MAY NOT BE ABLE TO ACT IN THE BEST INTERESTS OF THE CHILDREN WHO ARE THE SUBJECTS OF THE JUVENILE COURT CASES TO WHICH WE ARE APPOINTED. WE WILL NOT ASK IF INDIVIDUALS HAVE HAD RECORDS EXPUNGED OR SEALED. APPLICANTS ARE NOT OBLIGATED TO DISCLOSE SEALED OR EXPUNGED RECORDS OF CONVICTION OR ARREST.