

MEET KATHERYN ROBINSON

Katheryn joined the Lucas County CASA team in the summer of 2020, and since then, she has been a passionate advocate for 10 family groups and 24 children. Her unwavering faith guides her in all that she does, sharing that she relies on God for everything.

A devoted mother of six, she is now raising her grandson while cherishing her 12 grandchildren here on earth, four little angels in heaven, and eagerly awaiting the arrival of her fifth great-grandchild!

When she's not advocating for children or spending time with her family, Katheryn enjoys hitting the courts and playing her favorite sport— Pickleball! We are beyond grateful for her heart, dedication, and the positive impact she continues to make in the lives of so many children.

Here's what she had to say about her volunteer experience.

How has being a CASA volunteer impacted your life?

My work with the CASA Program has expanded my love, compassion and understanding for others. Taught me how blessed my family is.

Why did you decide to become a CASA volunteer?

I became a volunteer because so many children need a voice and someone to fiercely advocate for them.

Which three qualities or skills should a prospective CASA volunteer possess?

Compassion, fortitude, and the ability to say hard things gently.

In your time as a CASA volunteer, has there been an experience that impacted you the most?

Every child and family leaves an impact, but one family of six stood out to me. After losing their mother young and their father unable to keep them together, the children entered care with no family to turn to. Tragically, their father passed just two months later. Despite facing every possible challenge, each milestone graduations, jobs, and triumphs —became a cause for celebration. Watching them achieve success brought me indescribable joy!

How did you collaborate and coordinate your investigation efforts with the other professionals on your case?

Communication with an involved and dedicated caseworker is so valuable. You keep each other informed. Our CASA Coaches are lighthouses when things get difficult and when you need direction and next steps.



In your opinion, why is it essential for children who are child abuse and neglect victims to have a CASA Volunteer?

Parents have their own attorneys, LCCS is focused on the family so it is critical that the children have their own advocate to dig through the information and listen to them, and speak up for their benefit.

If you were speaking with people considering becoming a CASA volunteer, what would you tell them?

You are needed! Don't worry about what you don't know. The CASA team will train and assist you.

CASA INFORMATION SESSIONS - JOIN US!

Make a difference in a child's life! Join us to learn about becoming a Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) Volunteer.

Sanger Branch Library (3030 Central Ave., Toledo, OH 43606)

- 🕑 2 3 p.m. on:
- Sunday, April 6 or
- Sunday, May 4

Reserve your spot: Visit CASAKids.net or call 419-213-6753.

> Be the voice that helps a child thrive!