



Fall 2018 Communications Intern

JOB SUMMARY

Texas CASA's Communications & Awareness Department is looking for an intern who wants to build their portfolio while learning skills and gaining valuable, practical experience that will give you an edge when you enter the job market.

Work in a fast-paced communications office that supports the work of 71 local CASA programs serving more than 29,500 children in the foster care system in 217 Texas counties. Assist with writing and pitching news releases, research and write stories for electronic distribution via Texas CASA's two blogs, assist with social media efforts, interview CASA volunteers and former foster youth, and assist with current statewide marketing efforts and special events including the 2018 Texas CASA Conference.

Your work here will beef up your resume with real-world experience and you'll have a chance to make a difference for children across Texas who have been abused or neglected.

Hours: 12-20 hours a week, flexible, 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Location: 1501 W. Anderson Lane, Suite B-2, Austin, Texas

Qualifications: Sophomore or higher level majoring in communications, public relations, marketing, advertising or journalism. Strong writing skills required and strong skills in WordPress, InDesign, PhotoShop, Illustrator, PowerPoint and photography preferred.

The ideal intern is one with a passion for helping others and who is looking for an opportunity to improve their skills and gain valuable hands-on experience in communications and marketing.

ABOUT OUR ORGANIZATION

Texas CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates) is part of a national volunteer movement that began in 1977 in Seattle when a juvenile court judge conceived the idea of citizen volunteers speaking up for the best interests of abused and neglected children in the courtroom. Today, the CASA movement has evolved into one of the largest volunteer organizations in the country. CASA volunteers are appointed by judges to watch over and advocate for abused and neglected children to make sure they don't get lost in the overburdened child protection system. Volunteers stay with each case until it is closed with the goal of ensuring the child is placed in a safe, permanent home. For many children, their CASA volunteer is the one constant adult presence in their lives. In Texas, there are 71 local CASA programs with more than

10,000 volunteers serving nearly 30,000 foster children in 217 counties across the state. Texas CASA is the statewide organization that provides funding, resources and support to these 71 local programs to ensure they can operate effectively and seek out the best possible volunteers who will work passionately to help children find their forever homes. Texas CASA is a team of more than 30 creative, committed and dynamic staff based in Austin, Texas.

TO APPLY

Send resume, cover letter and three writing samples to Communications Manager Caitlyn Perdue at cperdue@texascasa.org. No phone calls please. Must be able to pass criminal background check.

Texas CASA is an inclusive, welcoming and affirming organization; and we are committed to our goal of ensuring the highest quality advocacy possible for all children in the child protection system. We are an equal opportunity employer and do not discriminate against any individual, employee or applicant on the basis of race, national origin, color, creed, sex, age, pregnancy, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, disability, or veteran or citizenship status.