



CASA

Court Appointed Special Advocates
FOR CHILDREN

CASA OF YELLOWSTONE COUNTY

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Dear Friend of CASA,

I am writing to you because we need your help. This past year, Yellowstone County has seen an unprecedented spike in the number of abuse and neglect cases. In 2015, 455 children entered into the foster care system in our county. This was a tremendous increase from 2014 when 182 children entered into the foster care system. 2016 is looking to be even worse than 2015.

Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) of Yellowstone County trains community volunteers to come along side these children and speak on their behalf in the court system. Despite having trained the most new volunteer Advocates ever in one year, we still do not have enough to serve the unprecedented numbers of children in care. I am hoping that you will consider placing the enclosed information in your bulletin, newsletter, or website. We need new Advocates and we need people to help us recruit new Advocates and we cannot do that without the support of the churches, like yours, in our community.

Please know I would greatly appreciate the opportunity to speak as well. If there is a time that could be arranged for such an opportunity, please feel free to contact me using the information below.

Please contact me if you would like electronic copies of the enclosed information or if you have further questions or comments.

Sincerely,

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