

## **STATEMENT OF NEEDS – *Case for Support***

CASA Kane County's board of directors is comprised of community and business leaders who serve as ambassadors in the community, speaking on behalf of the CASA program. One of their many responsibilities is to serve as a conduit of information about the on-going need for philanthropic support. The Board is also responsible for producing a community benefit report and financial report, and is ultimately accountable for the proper management of all personal gifts.

CASA Kane County promotes and encourages funds and donations. The board oversees all investments, contributions, gifts, and bequests made to the organization from the general public and corporations.

### **How are your contributions used?**

Unless otherwise directed on how your gift should be used, we will fund those projects with the greatest need for the program. Typically these projects accomplish the following:

1. Case manages and train CASA volunteers.
2. Improve the quality and training of the CASA Program.
3. Contribute to the annual fund to sustain the program.
4. Purchase upgraded information technology.

### **Key goals in sustaining CASA Kane County**

- Build reliable sources of annual income from direct mail, special events, and grants.
- Capitalize on major and planned giving efforts.
- Recruit committed CASA volunteers, staff, Board of Directors and committee members.
- Increase endowment funds to build financial reserves and reinvest a portion of the fund's earnings. These earnings include interest, dividends, and realized capital gains. The reserves support programs, services, and capital needs relating to CASA Kane County's long range plans.

***All donations stay local within the CASA Kane County program.***

