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Dear Friends,

We are excited to announce the return of the **Friends of CASA Holiday Luncheon & Fashion Presentation** to be held on **Friday, December 5, 2025** at the beautiful **Waldorf Astoria Monarch Beach** in Dana Point, California. On behalf of Friends of CASA, we invite you to participate in the **Silent Auction** portion of our event by donating an item, service or experience. Your donation will help us raise funds to recruit and train Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) volunteers who provide a powerful voice and meaningful connection to children in Orange County who have experienced abuse, neglect and abandonment.

Today there are more than 2,915 Orange County children in foster care in need of a caring adult in their life to guide them and amplify their voice in court. Last year, generous contributions from community partners like you enabled us to swear in 177 new CASA volunteers to mentor and advocate on behalf of these children. CASA volunteers are often the one stable, trustworthy adult providing support and guidance through the most turbulent time of a child's life.

Friends of CASA is dedicated to raising awareness and funds in support of CASA OC's mission. The Holiday Luncheon is our marquee event and in 2024 raised more than \$635,000 in net proceeds. The Silent Auction is one of the most exciting components of our Luncheon and we invite you to donate this year to support a worthy cause and expose your brand to more than 500 discerning guests.

Thank you for considering a donation to our event. To acknowledge your generous contribution in our recognition materials, we need your donation by **November 1st** to meet our publication deadlines. For more information on the Friends of CASA Holiday Luncheon, please visit **www.CASAHolidayLuncheon.com** (2025 event coming soon) and be sure to follow us on Instagram and Facebook at **@casaoc** and **@friendsofcasa**. If you have additional questions, please contact CASA Development Events Manager Debbie Masek at 714.619.5140 or dmasek@casaoc.org.

Thank you for making the difference in the lives of local youth in foster care.

Sincerely,

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All or part of your gift may be tax deductible, as CASA is a non-profit 501(c)(3). Tax ID: 33-0069334. Please consult with your tax advisor.



2025 FRIENDS OF CASA HOLIDAY LUNCHEON

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SILENT AUCTION RECOGNITION OPPORTUNITIES

Donation Value of \$10,000

- Full Screen Special Visual Recognition at the Event
- Company Logo on CASA Holiday Luncheon Website
- Link to Company Website on the Event Website

Donation Value of \$5,000

- Half Screen Special Visual Recognition at the Event
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Donation Value of \$2,500

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**You will be contacted regarding program/artwork specs.*

All program artwork must be submitted in 300dpi, PDF, JPEG, or EPS, by November 1st.

EVENT DEMOGRAPHICS

The Friends of CASA Holiday Luncheon is known as one of the most fashionable and premier social events in all of Orange County and has been recognized as the second highest netting luncheon for the past several years per the Orange County Business Journal. The Holiday Luncheon Silent Auction is comprised of unique high end retail items and services, viewed by over 500 of OC's most distinguished consumers and a host of online bidders. Holiday Luncheon attendees are primarily married women with children, 35-55 years of age living in the beautiful communities of Newport Beach, Irvine and Laguna Beach.

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Auction Donation Form | Friday, December 5, 2025 • Waldorf Astoria Monarch Beach

Donor's Name *(As you would like to be recognized):*

Business/Contact Name:

Street Address *(Required to receive tax-acknowledgement letter):*

City/State/Zip:

Email:

Phone:

Committee Member Name:

Email:

Phone:

Item Description *(Continue on back or attach an additional sheet):*

Item Restrictions *(Black out dates, expirations, age limits, etc.):*

Estimated Value:

Please Check One *(Some items may be bundled or packaged):*

☐ Donation Enclosed

☐ To Be Delivered

☐ To Be Picked Up

☐ Please Create Certificate

Signature:

PLEASE MAIL, EMAIL, OR FAX THE COMPLETED FORM BY OCTOBER 31, 2025 TO:

CASA of Orange County
765 The City Drive South, Suite 300, Orange, CA 92868
Attn: CASA Holiday Luncheon
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1/ Valerie Ramsay and keynote speaker Mark Daley 2/ Wendy Tenebaum, Nancy Eaton and Karen Jordan 3/ Friends of CASA president Inga Sanders-Marcereau and CASA OC CEO Regan Dean Phillips 4/ Molly Jolly and Jaynine Warner 5/ Holiday Luncheon co-chairs Dana Strader and Jennifer Hanlon 6/ A model worked the runway in apparel from Bally South Coast Plaza.



ON THE SCENE

Fostering Hope

PHOTOS BY JOHN WATKINS

THE PARTY It was a holly, jolly afternoon at the Waldorf Astoria Monarch Beach Resort & Club as the **Friends of CASA Holiday Luncheon** returned to the Dana Point property. Over 450 guests kicked the festive affair off with Champagne sips, bids on silent auction items and granting wishes through Starfish Wish Trees, sponsored by Barclay Butera Interiors. **THE PEOPLE** Elite OC Productions and Paul Fenner Florals decked out the ballroom, where event co-chairs **Jennifer Hanlon** and **Dana Strader**, Friends of CASA president **Inga Sanders-Marcereau**

and CEO **Regan Dean Phillips** made remarks. TheFosterParent.com founder and author **Mark Daley** served as the keynote speaker. He shared his inspiring story of fostering and adopting a set of siblings and advocating for reform in the system. **THE PINNACLE** The glittering gathering was punctuated by a Bally South Coast Plaza fashion show and an opportunity drawing by Lugano Diamonds—CASA supporter **Nazy Saidi** won Lugano's stunning 4.4-carat hoop earrings. By the day's end, more than \$635,000 had been raised for youth in foster care. **BY ALLISON MITCHELL**



SHOWING UP IS EXTRAORDINARY

CASA volunteers advocate for children in foster care, developing a relationship with them through outings, quality time, and most importantly, listening.

THE CHALLENGE:

There are over 2,915 children and young adults under the jurisdiction of the Dependency Court in Orange County - which is overburdened and underfunded. The Dependency Court hears cases about children (minors) who are abused or neglected.

The average judge handles more than 800 cases per year; the average social worker carries up to 40 cases at one time, and an attorney may have over 100 cases at any moment.



50% of youth formerly in foster care are unemployed by the age of 24



1 out of 5 youth formerly in foster care will be homeless within one year of aging out of care

THE SOLUTION:

ADVOCACY

- In court advocacy and recommendations
- Educational Advocacy & Individual Education Program (IEP) Assessments
- Trauma-Informed Advocacy
- Mental Health Advocacy (assessments & therapeutic treatments)
- Family Connections Advocacy
- Early intervention support to prevent long term foster care status

MENTORSHIP

- Two year commitment
- Outings twice a month with the child



THE CASA IMPACT

A child with a CASA volunteer is more likely to have better outcomes both academically and behaviorally.



A child with a CASA volunteer is less likely to reenter the child welfare system. The proportion of reentries is consistently reduced by half



Youth in foster care have a 58% high school graduation rate...



...While children with CASA volunteers have a graduation rate of 96%



CASA volunteers are highly effective in getting their recommendations accepted in court. In four out of five cases, all or almost all CASA volunteer recommendations are accepted



**LEARN MORE ABOUT BECOMING A VOLUNTEER
OR MAKING A DONATION AT [CASAOC.ORG](https://casaoc.org)**

CASA OC encourages and welcomes applicants of all backgrounds and does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability, or sex (including pregnancy, sexual orientation, gender expression, and gender identity).

