

Montana CASA awards
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AWARD CATEGORIES AND CRITERIA

- **CASA Volunteer of the Year**
 - High level of ethics as a CASA Volunteer
 - Diligence, thoroughness, and persistence
 - Thorough research on assigned cases
 - Making the system responsive to the needs of the child
 - Quality representation of the child's best interests
 - Additional contribution to the local CASA program

 - **Judge of the Year**
 - High level of professional ethics
 - Significant contribution toward advancing children's issues
 - Leadership and innovation in supporting CASA within the judicial community
 - Leadership and innovation in promoting CASA to the public
 - Leadership in furthering consistent, quality representation of children

 - **CASA Director of the Year**
 - High level of professional ethics
 - Consistent, effective performance of job responsibilities
 - Teamwork within the agency
 - Effective support of volunteers
 - Innovation in promoting the CASA program
 - Teamwork within state network
 - Years of service
- Geographical balancing of awards

Most successful nominations include a packet of materials including at least one letter from someone other than the nominator – ideally a county attorney, judge, social work supervisor. Contact Ellen, Pam or Liz for more information at 1 866 863 2272.