
THE NEWS

DECEMBER 2025 * CASAWESTCENLA.ORG * LOOKING FORWARD

BREAKING NEWS

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* WORDS FROM THE DIRECTOR *

As we near the end of the year, we are invited to pause and reflect on the journey we have shared over the past eleven months. What an incredible journey it has been. I am truly inspired by the passion, dedication, and heart that each of you brings to CASA of West CenLA and to our community.

Together, we are doing far more than completing tasks or meeting goals—we are changing the trajectory of children's lives. Every report written, every visit made, every mile traveled, and every moment spent in service echoes far beyond the present. Our collective efforts plant seeds of safety, hope, and opportunity that will grow well into the future.

I am honored and grateful to stand alongside you in this work. Through our shared commitment, we are not just a team—we are a community united by purpose, compassion, and an unwavering belief in what is possible for every child.

As we look toward 2026, may we carry this spirit forward, continuing to lift one another up and striving to open doors to brighter futures. Together, we will keep creating possibilities, inspiring change, and shaping a better tomorrow for the children we serve.

~Tommy

**"TO INSPIRE A
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ENDLESS
POSSIBILITIES."**



* SUPRERVISOR TIPS *

KEY CONFIDENTIALITY TIPS FROM CASA SUPERVISORS

Understand the Oath of Confidentiality

- *CASA volunteers take an oath when sworn in, granting them access to sensitive case information.*
- *This privilege comes with the strict duty to protect privacy at all times.*
- *Violation of confidentiality can lead to children returning home prematurely.*

Limit Information Sharing

- *Volunteers may not share case details with friends, family, or outside parties—even for help with tasks like typing reports.*
- *Information should only be shared with the court, CASA staff, or professionals directly connected to the case.*

Gather Information Responsibly

- *CASA volunteers have broad rights to collect information about the child from multiple sources, but the importance of knowing what can and cannot be disclosed under state and federal laws is paramount.*
- *When in doubt, advocates should consult their supervisor before sharing any details.*

Respect Family Privacy

- *Families involved in child welfare cases deserve respect for their privacy.*
- *Even casual conversations outside CASA work should never include case details.*

Be Cautious with Written and Digital Communication

- *Reports, notes, and emails must be handled carefully.*
- *Volunteers should avoid using personal devices or unsecured platforms when discussing case information.*
- *Social media references to cases or children are strictly prohibited.*

Seek Guidance When Unsure

- *Volunteers need to consult their supervisor whenever confidentiality feels unclear.*
- *Laws and policies can overlap or conflict, so checking with a supervisor ensures compliance.*

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NEW VOLUNTEERS



*January 13, 2026
5:30pm - 8:45pm
Welcome and Orientation*

*January 20, 2026
5:30pm - 8:45pm
Session 1*

*January 27, 2026
5:30pm - 8:45pm
Session 2*

*February 3, 2026
5:30pm - 8:45pm
Session 3*

*February 10, 2026
5:30pm - 8:45pm
Session 4*

*February 17, 2026
5:30pm - 8:45pm
Session 5*

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CURRENT VOLUNTEERS

*January 22, 2026
Human Trafficking*

*February 19, 2026
Cultural Competence*

*March 19, 2026
Child Development -Age
Appropriateness*

*April 23, 2026
Advocate Appreciation*

*May 21, 2026
Foster Care Appreciation -
QPI*

*June 18, 2026
Emergency Preparedness*

*July 16, 2026
School Supply Drive*

*August 20, 2026
Educational Advocacy*

*September 17, 2026
Collaborating with
Collaterals - Criminal
Charges Attached*

*October 22, 2026
Substance Abuse and
Domestic Violence*

*November 19, 2026
Attorney Panel*

*December 2026
Mail Out - no class*



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WHAT'S HAPPENING

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5 Concert Pleasant Hill Church 6:30pm	6 Miracle on Washington 9am Christmas Parade 5:30pm
7	8	9 Community Christmas War Memoria All Day	10	11	12	13 Holiday Market TLC Event Center 9am-3pm
14 Gingerbread Bash New Life Church 3pm	15	16	17	18	19	20 Last Minute Christmas Boutique Redeemer Church 9am-1pm
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31	All month Christmas Lights DeRidder	Holiday Grief Support Group 12/1 -12/29 Mondays 10am Beauregard Council on Aging	

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6 Jingle & Mingle Leesville Event Ctr 10am-7pm Brekkie with Santa St Michaels 8am-12pm
7	8	9	10	11	12 Nutcracker Ballet 204 W. North St Leesville 7pm	13 Pilot Club Reindeer Run Dogwood Park 8am Christmas Parade 5:30pm
14 The Grinch Leesville High School 2pm	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31	Christmas on the Ranch 12/1 - 12/24 Hwy 117		

SPOTLIGHTS

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THROUGHOUT THE YEAR



**"IT IS EASIER TO BUILD
STRONG CHILDREN THAN IT
IS TO REPAIR BROKEN MEN."**

~FREDERICK DOUGLASS

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SNAPSHOT

NOVEMBER 2025

Children Served in Beauregard and Vernon Parishes
53

*Advocates Serving Children in Beauregard and
Vernon Parishes*
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2025 - PRESENT

*Children Served in Beauregard and Vernon
Parishes*
82

*Advocates Serving Children in Beauregard and
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“EACH DAY OF OUR LIVES,
WE MAKE DEPOSITS IN
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OUR CHILDREN.”

~CHARLES R. SWINDOLL



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