

2026 Impact Report

CASA volunteer advocate Sheree's candor helped spur one family to take the necessary steps to reunify with their child.

She received a call about attending a hearing for an infant who had just been born substance exposed. The baby was in the NICU for over a month, and the parents would leave the hospital without letting anyone know the baby was alone.

Not one to be deterred, Sheree had one thought while holding the baby: "I need to find these parents." She made repeated attempts to connect with them and even drove herself to the father's workplace to let him know she needed to talk to him. The parents showed up the next afternoon while she was at the hospital.

While it was a start, there was still much work to be done, and it was not easy. It was Sheree's direct approach that helped break through to the family and encourage change.

"Some people think I am hard," she says. "I told mom the only way she was getting baby back was if she achieved sobriety. I wasn't against reunification – it was just that she was going to run out of time. Mom later said to me, 'That day that you looked me in the eye and said that – I knew it was serious.'"

Ultimately, both parents worked hard, successfully overcame their addictions, and were reunited with their child within the year. Today, both Sheree and the baby's former foster parent remain connected to the family.

"I am praying that we have broken the cycle for this family, because that's where it's at: breaking the cycle," Sheree said.



The Year in Numbers

Our Mission

CASA of NH provides a voice for abused and neglected children and youth by empowering a statewide network of trained volunteers to advocate on their behalf so they can thrive in safe, permanent homes.

Our 618 volunteers



... went on
12,773 visits.



... drove
727,301 miles.



... gave
83,685 hours.



We trained
**90 new
advocates**



We served
**1,391
children**

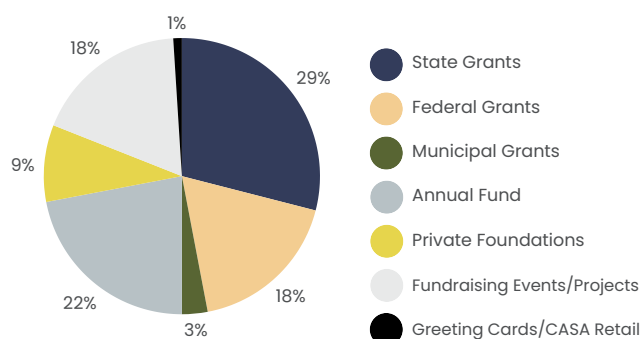
The Impact of Grants

This past year, CASA of NH received a \$75,000 multi-year grant through the Opioid Community Grants Program. It will be used to recruit, screen, and train new volunteer advocates for the Family Treatment Court in Sullivan County, the Supported Family Approach in Manchester, and the planned expansion to Concord in 2027.

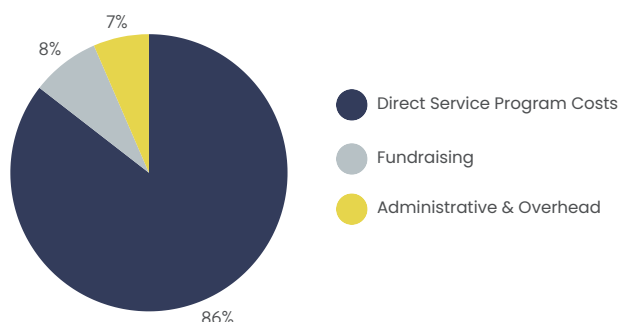
The Family Treatment Court is an evidence-based, collaborative model that brings together judges, attorneys, DCYF caseworkers, substance use and mental health treatment providers, and CASA volunteer advocates to help parents with substance use disorders enter treatment earlier, stay in treatment longer, and reunify with their children safely. The Supported Family Approach in Manchester is a modified version of this model, focusing on families with children ages three and under, where there is evidence of substance misuse.

"CASA volunteers are the only members of the team whose sole responsibility is to advocate for the best interests of the child," wrote Statewide Family Treatment Court Coordinator Jacqui Baker in a recommendation letter. "In FTC and SFA cases, where much of the focus is on the parent's recovery, CASA ensures that the child's voice and well-being are never lost."

Funding Sources



Funding Uses



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"I believe every kid deserves to have someone in their corner who is there for them, no matter what. Including CASA in my estate plans is a way to make sure that support continues long after I'm here to give it myself."

– CASA Volunteer Brian Harris, donor

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2026 Active Volunteers and Cases

