



Pre-Service Training Agenda

Following application screening, the volunteer experience starts as a learning opportunity. The Yamhill County CASA program facilitators create a safe and supportive learning environment where volunteer candidates are encouraged to build knowledge and skills in child-welfare policy, judicial practices, CASA program values and best-interest advocacy. This training sets volunteers on a course to begin providing advocacy immediately upon appointment of a child. Listed below are the focus areas of training and the approximate amount of time required for each section.

	Focus	Independent/Prep Time	In-Class/Group Time
Orientation	Ground Rules & Expectations of Training What is "Family"? Trauma, Triggers & Selfcare The Life of a Case in Yamhill County	0.5hrs	2hrs
1	What a CASA is, what a CASA is not The Volunteer Role The Child Welfare System	0.5hrs	3hrs
2	Child Development Abuse & Neglect Working a Case, Part 1	0.75hrs	3hrs
3	Trauma & Resilience Elements of Communication Working a Case, Part 2	1hr	3hrs
4	Mental Health Poverty Working a Case, Part 3	1.5hrs	3hrs
5	Substance Use Culture & Diversity, Part 1 Working a Case, Part 4	1hr	3hrs
6	Culture & Diversity, Part 2 Domestic Violence Working a Case, Part 5	1hr	3hrs
7	Culture & Diversity, Part 3 Working with Older Youth Working a Case, Part 6	1.5hrs	3hrs
8	Review Finding Support Looking Ahead	1hr	3hrs
Court Monitoring	Attend in-person, through video, or by phone, four different hearings, reviews, or meetings	1hr	2hrs
Graduation	Swearing-in Ceremony Graduation Party Choosing a Case	2hrs	2hrs
Total Time		11.75hrs	30hrs