

## **The Role of the CASA Volunteer**

The key components of the CASA volunteer role are:

### **INVESTIGATION**

You carry out an objective examination of the situation, including relevant history, environment, relationships, and needs of the child.

### **FACILITATION**

You identify resources and services for the child and facilitate a collaborative relationship between all parties involved in the case, helping to create a situation in which the child's needs can be met.

### **ADVOCACY**

You speak up for the child by making recommendations regarding the child's best interests in a written court report.

### **MONITORING**

You keep track of whether the orders of the court and the plans of the child protective services agency are carried out, and you report to the court or collaborate with the child protective services agency when any of the parties do not follow those orders and plans.