**Please consider helping to change the life of an abused or neglected child in Santa Fe,**

**Rio Arriba or Los Alamos**

**Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA), FJD** is seeking community members from diverse backgrounds who want to become Volunteer Advocates for abused and neglected foster children whose cases are making their way through the court system. CASA Volunteer Advocates become “the eyes and ears of the court”, gathering information and interviewing everyone in that child’s life, making sure they receive rehabilitative services, medical care and educational assistance, and making reports that will allow the court to better understand each foster child’s situation.

**Join our training class starting May 3, 2017 and help ensure that foster children are in a safe home, get their needs met and have hope for a brighter future.**

Becoming a CASA Volunteer Advocate means you are:
\* at least 21 years old and willing to commit one year of your time
\* willing to complete 30 hr. training in early Summer 2017

\* commit an average of 8 -10 hours a month on case assigned
\* ability to communicate orally and in writing
\* able to pass criminal and CPS background checks
*Becoming a CASA, volunteer may be the most rewarding experience you have*

If you want to learn more about representing the needs of abused and neglected children in your community, please call Michele or Michael at 505-820-1500, visit our web site: [www.casafirst.org](http://www.casafirst.org/) or schedule a time to come and visit with us and learn more.

CASA, FJD is an Equal Employment Opportunity recruiter, and seeks to create a rich and diverse pool of Volunteer Advocates, and minorities, monolingual Spanish speakers and individuals with exceptionalities are encouraged to apply.