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6th ANNUAL CASA SUPERHERO RUN RACES INTO MONTGOMERY COUNTY *Everyday Heroes Lace Up Their Running Shoes to Help Abused Children*

Conroe, Texas (August 5, 2015) – Few comic book Superheroes grew up in a typical family situation raised by their own parents - Superman was adopted, Spiderman was raised by his aunt and uncle, and Batman grew up with his butler, then later took in Robin to raise as his ward - yet they all went on to accomplish great things as adults. CASA Child Advocates of Montgomery County, a nonprofit organization that advocates for children who have experienced abuse or neglect, believes that all children deserve the chance to grow up happy and healthy and become “superhero” adults themselves.

CASA Child Advocates of Montgomery County is hosting the 6th Annual CASA Superhero Run through W.G. Jones State Forest on Saturday, October 3, 2015. This year's event will be held on The Woodlands Christian Academy's campus and features 10K and 5K trail runs, as well as a 1K Kids' Fun Run. The event offers complimentary food and drinks for all participants, awards for top runners in each event, finisher medals for all participants, and most importantly, lots of Superhero-themed fun for a fantastic cause.

Montgomery County native and NBC Nightly News correspondent, Mr. Jacob Rascon, will serve as the event's MC. Mr. Rascon has covered many national stories for NBC, and CASA Child Advocates is grateful for his support of this event.

When a child enters the foster care system because his or her home is no longer safe, a judge may appoint a committed volunteer to help them. That volunteer is called a Court Appointed Special Advocate (c) or CASA.

CASA Child Advocates of Montgomery County trains and supports volunteers to represent and advocate for a child's best interest in the child protection system. CASA volunteers serve as the "eyes and ears" for the judge in child welfare cases. This includes researching each child's situation and making objective recommendations to help them reclaim their childhoods from abuse and neglect. CASA volunteers are frequently the only stable presence in these children's lives as they navigate the foster care system.

Last year, 668 children were in the custody of DFPS in Montgomery County. 606 children were served by a CASA Advocate. In Montgomery County, it costs \$1,500 to provide and advocate for a child for one year. All proceeds from the CASA Superhero Run benefit CASA Child Advocates of Montgomery County and support their mission of providing an Advocate for every abused child in need.

Whether you are a competitive runner, a casual walker, or just love the idea of supporting a wonderful cause, participating in the CASA Superhero Run allows you to show your support for abused and neglected children right here in Montgomery County. Every child needs a hero...abused children need SUPERHEROES.

For more information, visit www.CASASpeaks4Kids.com, email CASARun@CASASpeaks4Kids.com or call CASA Child Advocates of Montgomery County at (936) 441-5437.

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CASA Child Advocates is Montgomery County's only organization appointed by the court to advocate for abused and neglected children. CASA Advocates speak up for the best interest of abused and neglected children who have been removed from their parents and are under the Court's jurisdiction. CASA's goal is to provide a court-appointed volunteer to serve as Guardian ad Litem for every child in the foster care system, and to break the cycle of abuse, one child at a time. For the past 23 years, CASA has been training volunteers, raising awareness in the community, and working to stop the cycle of child abuse in Montgomery County. Learn more about CASA Child Advocates of Montgomery County at www.casaspeaks4kids and on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/CASACHildAdvocatesofMontgomeryCounty>