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4th ANNUAL CASA SUPERHERO 5K RACES THROUGH MONTGOMERY COUNTY ***Everyday Heroes Lace Up Their Running Shoes to Help Abused Children***

CONROE, TEXAS (October 19, 2013) – CASA Child Advocates of Montgomery County hosted the 4th Annual CASA SuperHero Run at G.W. Jones State Forest on Saturday, October 19th. The annual fundraiser featured a 1K Kids' Fun Run and 5K Run/Walk.

Over 200 Superheroes demonstrated their super powers and raced through the forest, raising more than \$14,500 to help abused and neglected children in Montgomery County. Awards were presented to the top 3 in each age group and by gender as well as overall male and female and masters. Best Costume awards were also given to the adult and child with the top Superhero costumes.

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. "Without an Advocate, a child is 44% more likely to reenter the foster care system," explains CASA Child Advocates Executive Director, Ann McAlpin. "CASA Child Advocates strives to break this cycle of child abuse and find safe, permanent homes."

This year's top CASA SuperHero 5K finishers are as follows:

Top Male Open Winner: Oscar Fernandez (22:39.0)

Top Female Open Winner: Amber Knapp (26:28.8)

Top Male Masters Winner: Gary Van Kuiken (23:24.8)

Top Female Masters Winner: Karen Felicidadario (26:54.3)

Best Adult Costume: Peter Dill, Captain America

Best Child Costume: Cadence Pung, Bat Girl

2013 Top Fundraiser: Cheryl Sellers (\$2,245)

CASA Child Advocates of Montgomery County would like to thank race participants, volunteers and event sponsors for their support of abused and neglected children in Montgomery County. Every child needs a hero...abused children need Superheroes.

For more information or to view full race results, visit www.CASASpeaks4Kids.com or call CASA Child Advocates of Montgomery County at (936) 441-5437.

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About CASA Child Advocates of Montgomery County:

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 21 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>