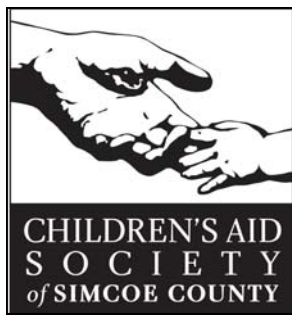


Reach out...

Be a Volunteer



Need more information?

Coordinator of Volunteers

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Our Mission:

Working together with our community to:

- ◆ Protect children and youth from maltreatment
- ◆ Promote the well-being of children and youth
- ◆ Strengthen families
- ◆ Provide quality alternative care, when necessary

We do that by:

- ◆ Investigating reports of suspected abuse and neglect of children
- ◆ Providing support and counseling to help families stay together
- ◆ Giving protection and foster care to children whose parents are unable to care for them

Who calls the CAS?

- ◆ Parents having difficulty managing their children
- ◆ Children who are encountering problems at home
- ◆ Professionals and members of the general public who suspect that a child is in need of protection
- ◆ Every person who has reason to suspect that a child is in need of protection must immediately report that suspicion and the information upon which it is based to a Children's Aid Society.

Volunteer Service Goals:

The Volunteer Services Department at the Simcoe County CAS provides interested individuals with opportunities to support the work of protecting children and strengthening families in our communities.

Who volunteers at the Simcoe County Children's Aid Society?

- ◆ People looking for opportunities to share and learn.
- ◆ Men and women who have a desire to share the responsibility for others in their community.
- ◆ Individuals who love children and are able to give some of their time to help.

What do volunteers do?

We provide our volunteers with a wide range of opportunities such as: driving, tutoring, clerical support, and helping at fund raising and special events.

How much time will I be asked to commit?

Some of our volunteers donate a few hours of their time each week or month, while others work on volunteer assignments almost full time.

Short term opportunities are also available. Time commitments vary depending on the role.

How do I become a volunteer?

Complete a Volunteer Profile form (available at all CAS offices).

Provide a criminal record check and Consent for a Criminal Record Check for Sexual Offence for which a Pardon has been Granted or Issued free of charges or convictions.

Supply three written references.

Provide a clean driver's abstract (if you are applying to be a driver).

Attend mandatory Orientation Sessions (offered 5 times a year).

Rewards of Volunteering

For the Volunteer:

- ◆ Opportunities to learn new skills and gain valuable experience
- ◆ Sense of fulfillment
- ◆ Knowing one is making a positive contribution to the lives of children
- ◆ A chance to meet new people with similar interests

For the children and families:

- ◆ New relationships
- ◆ Participation in community services and activities
- ◆ Opportunity to connect with a positive role model
- ◆ Reduced isolation

For the Agency:

- ◆ Opportunities to share our vision
- ◆ Partnerships with community members
- ◆ Increased public awareness

"Driving the children makes me feel young. I genuinely enjoy it."

Jim, Volunteer Driver

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