CASA Superhero Run

5k Run/Walk and Kids Fun Run

Saturday, October 27th, 2012

9:00 am Start Down Town Hastings, MI

Check-in/Registration: 8:00 am

$20 per Registered Adult
Includes Run and Adult Event T-shirt
Registration $25 after October 7, 2012

Kids Under 12 Free
Includes Kids Event T-shirt (guaranteed for pre-registrants)

Costume Contest and Prizes
Dress up as your favorite Superhero! Costumes encouraged but not required.

In partnership with the Superhero Foundation, CASA for Kids, Inc. is organizing its first ever family friendly 5k Run/Walk and Kids Fun Run in downtown Hastings to benefit the volunteer advocacy services that CASA provides to children in foster care. Participants are invited to dress up as their favorite super hero and participate in the run, costume contest, and other fun festivities.

Contact: Becky Carson 517.543.7500 X 1648 or casadirector@eatoncounty.org
Register online at www.runningfoundation.com/Superherorun.html
Or cut off the adjacent panel, complete the Run Registration Form and send in with payment. Learn more about CASA at www.barryeatoncasa.org

LEGAL RACE WAIVER
Please accept my entry in the CASA Superhero 5k Run/Walk or Kids Fun Run. I know that running/walking a road race is a potentially hazardous activity. I certify that I have entered this race of my own free will. I am in a physical condition that allows me to enter this event. I agree to assume all risk associated with participating in this event, including, but not limited to falls, the effects of the weather, traffic and the conditions of the roads or paths. Having read this waiver and in consideration of the acceptance of my entry, I do, for myself, heirs, successors and/or assigns, and anyone entitled to act on my behalf waive, and release CASA for Kids, Inc. Barry & Eaton Counties, Michigan CASA, National CASA, the Superhero Foundation, City of Hastings, Barry County, Michigan Running Foundation, Inc. and all other race workers, volunteers, or sponsors of the CASA Superhero Run, their representatives and successors from all claims or liabilities of any kind arising out of my participation in this event. My photograph, likeness, or video may be used for legal purpose by race organizers. I have read this waiver and agree to its terms.

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Signature of applicant (or legal guardian if participant is under 18 years of age.)

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Date

All pre-registered participants are guaranteed an event T-shirt. T-shirts are first come first serve after October 7th, 2012. No refunds. All proceeds will be donated to CASA for Kids, Inc.
RACE DATE AND TIME: Saturday, October 27th, 2012. 5k begins at 9 am. Kids Fun Run begins afterwards.

PACKET PICK UP: Packet pick-up will be held from 7:30 am to 8:45 am at the race.

COURSE: Run Route is available in PDF format at www.runningfoundation.com. The run incorporates a portion of the riverwalk adjacent to the historic artsy atmosphere of downtown Hastings.

TIMING: The timing service is being provided by Michigan Running Foundation, Inc.

T-SHIRTS: Race T-shirts are guaranteed to all early registrants. T-shirts are not guaranteed to late registrants, but will be available on a first come, first serve basis.

COSTUME CONTESTS/AWARDS: Awards will be provided for overall race winners and costume contest winners. Join the festivities!

PARKING: Parking is available around First Ward Park and in the Hastings Manufacturing Parking Lot.

DIRECTIONS FROM GRAND RAPIDS: Take M-37 south to Hastings. Turn left on M-37/M-43. This is also called W. State St. in Hastings. Left on N. Michigan Ave. Take 3rd right onto E. Thorn St.

DIRECTIONS FROM KALAMAZOO: Take M-43 north to Hastings. M-43 is also called W. State St. in Hastings. Left on N. Michigan Ave. Take 3rd right onto E. Thorn St.

DIRECTIONS FROM LANSING: Take M-43 south to Hastings. M-43 turns left at the Speedway Station after Sunfield and turns right again within 1/2 mile. M-43 is also called Broadway as you get into Hastings. Turn left on E. State Rd. Take a right on N. Boltwood St. to E. Thorn St.

DIRECTIONS FROM BATTLE CREEK: Take M-37 north to Hastings. M 37 is also called Hanover St. in Hastings. Left on E. State St. Right on N. Michigan Ave. Right on E. Thorn St.

CASA for Kids, Inc. is a nonprofit organization that trains every day volunteers from the community to become SUPERHEROES by training them to advocate for children in foster care as Court Appointed Special Advocates. Court Appointed Special Advocates (or CASA volunteers) are appointed by the judge to a specific child or sibling group to ensure that they are receiving needed services and working towards a safe and loving home (reunifying children with family whenever appropriate).

Research shows that children with an assigned CASA volunteer receive more services, have less placement changes, spend less time in long term foster care, are more likely to be adopted, and are less likely to come back into care once their case closes. That is SUPER!!

The need for CASA volunteers is more significant than ever before since the number of confirmed victims of abuse and neglect has risen nearly 100% in Barry County and more than 400% in Eaton County within the last decade. Similarly, the number of children in out of home placements due to abuse and neglect has risen over 500% in Eaton County. There are currently more than 200 children in foster care in Barry and Eaton Counties combined.

These stats are alarming. It is our goal to provide a CASA volunteer for every child in foster care. YOU can become a SUPERHERO for kids in foster care! The children of our community need us all do to our part. They need YOU!

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