RSVP for the 2019 Youth Holiday Party!
Join us for our Youth Holiday Party on Saturday, December 7th, from 11am-2pm at National LGBTQ Center for the Arts. The deadline to RSVP is on Wednesday, December 4th.

Apparel Back in Stock!
SFCASA gear is back in stock just in time for the holidays! We have more sizes in our sweatshirts, long sleeves and hoodies! Check out all our sweatshirt options at sfcasa.org/shop and place your order soon before they’re all gone!

Sports Basement Exclusive Sale for SFCASA!
Sports Basement has offered SFCASA a special sale from December 15-21, 2019. If you shop at one of their 10 locations or online, you will receive 11% off your entire purchase. Basementeers get a 20% discount. Show this flyer at checkout or enter the discount code online.

Visit California Academy of Sciences in December!
SFCASA has tickets to visit California Academy of Sciences in December! To request tickets, please email our Program Assistant, Christina Lee, at christina@sfcasa.org with your preferred date and arrival time.

Visits between December 11-15 (request by December 6)
Visits between December 16-22 (request by December 11)
Visits between December 23-24 (request by December 18)
Visits between December 26-31 (request by December 19)
Please select an arrival time:
10:30AM, 11:00AM, 11:30AM, 12:00PM, 12:30PM, 1:00PM, 1:30PM, 2:00PM, 2:30PM, 3:00PM

Upcoming CE Opportunities

"The Pushouts" on PBS VOCES (2 CE Credits)
"The Pushouts" is an inspiring documentary about the resilience of young people and how the support of caring adults offers hope. The film explores themes of race, poverty and the importance of youth mentors through the remarkable story of Victor Rios. Directed by Katie Galloway and co-directed by Dawn Valadez. The film will be broadcast on Friday, December 20th, at 10 PM PST (check local listings) on PBS, PBS.org and the PBS Video App.

To earn CE credits, please watch "The Pushouts" and share 1-2 paragraphs of your reflections and takeaway learning to our Training Specialist, Diane Posner, at training@sfcasa.org!

Working with Youth in Residential Treatment Placement (2 CE credits)
Join Dr. Natalia Estassi as she takes a strengths-based approach to supporting and advocating for foster youth in residential treatment placements. Dr. Estassi will address the challenges CASA volunteers may face in building relationships with youth in these placements who may have significant needs, and issues that can inhibit the successful development of advocacy relationships. Many have experienced separation and loss in their lives, making it difficult for them to form positive relationships with an adult. This important training will support you in building and maintaining positive relationships with your youth. The CE will be held on Wednesday, January 29, 2020 from 6:00-8:00pm at the CCSF-Mission Campus, 1125 Valencia Street, Room TBA.

Please register for Working with Youth in Residential Treatment by emailing our Training Specialist, Diane Posner at training@sfcasa.org!

Personal Development: Discovering Your Values and Internal Motivators as a CASA (2 CE credits)
Do you ever wonder about the specific strengths you bring to working with your CASA youth and how you could be demonstrating them more consistently? Or, maybe sometimes you wonder about what it is that really motivates you in doing this work. If so, come join Allison Roesser, Life and Leadership Coach and SF CASA Volunteer for a unique Continuing Education session focused on supporting our volunteers in empowering youth while bringing more ease to the volunteer experience. We will uncover YOUR strengths and values as a CASA as well as identifying what is most important to you about being a volunteer. You will leave this Personal Development 101 session with practical tools for advocating and navigating challenging situations with your youth that come from your best resource… you! The CE will be held on Tuesday, February 11, 2020 from 6:00-8:00pm at the SFCASA Volunteer Annex Training Space, 2533 Mission Street.

Please register for Personal Development 101 by emailing our Training Specialist, Diane Posner at training@sfcasa.org!
CSEC Awareness  (3 CE credits)

Come learn the signs to look for in youth who are vulnerable to sexual exploitation with Carly Devlin of Huckleberry Youth Programs. Since young people experiencing the foster care system are particularly at-risk of being targeted, it’s important for CASA volunteers to understand the signs and best practices for preventing and responding to sexual exploitation of youths. If you are matched with a youth ages 10 or older, please plan to participate in this important training. The CE will be held on Wednesday, February 26, 2020 from 6:00-9:00pm at the SFCASA Volunteer Annex Training Space, 2533 Mission Street.

Please register for CSEC Awareness by emailing our Training Specialist, Diane Posner at training@sfcasa.org.

Spread the Word!

We still have space available for our Winter 2020 SFCASA Training, beginning in January. You can help us fill the class and match more youth on our waitlist by sharing this graphic on social media with a link to sign up for an info session at http://www.sfcasa.org/volunteer.