



## NEWS RELEASE

### Sewing With a Purpose: Capes for CASA

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Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA), a division of Family & Youth, has teamed up with Niche Fabric & Studio for their S.W.A.P project to provide costumes to underprivileged children this Halloween season.

S.W.A.P. stands for Sewing With a Purpose and is an initiative of Niche Fabric & Studio. Local sewists and sewing groups can donate homemade boy and girl capes for Capes for CASA, which will then be donated to underprivileged children in the Southwest Louisiana area who may not be able to afford their own costumes this Halloween. Capes can be made in all sized and homemade accessories like masks, cuffs, and crowns are optional. Supplies and a pattern are available at the studio, as well as free studio time to anyone who wishes to help out and needs a place to work. There are cutting tools and sewing machines available for use at the studio.

Niche Fabric & Studio will be the drop-off point for the capes until October 17<sup>th</sup>. Niche Fabric & Studio is located on 4700 Common St. in Lake Charles. For more information contact Niche Fabric & Studio at 337-477-3810 or [nichefabricstudio@gmail.com](mailto:nichefabricstudio@gmail.com).

CASA are volunteers who speak in court for a child's best interest. Judges appoint a CASA volunteer to an abused or neglected child who has been removed from his or her home. The CASA volunteer helps to ensure that the child receives appropriate care, whether from a foster home or relative's home while he or she is in the court system.

Family & Youth believes that all individuals possess the ability to solve their own challenges and live full and healthy lives when support is available. It is the mission of Family & Youth to provide affordable and professional support through programs and services dedicated to the advocacy, counseling, and education for the people of Southwest Louisiana. Our effort and commitment to building family values will guarantee a stable and stronger community. For experienced professional assistance, contact Family & Youth at 337-436-9533.

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