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Dear Friend:

The Friends of Rhode Island CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates) is hosting a Charity Golf Classic on June 17, 2024. All proceeds will be donated to the Friends of Rhode Island CASA Inc. This is a **non-profit 501 (c) (3)** public charity established to assist our Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) program in serving the best interests of Rhode Island Family Court-involved children in DCYF care.

Children in foster care should have access to sports uniforms, prom dresses, art classes, college application fees, and many other goods and activities that are essential for positive physical, social, and educational development. CASA exists to assist in providing access to those opportunities. Our organization supports the recruitment and training of advocates who focus solely on the children's best interests. The advocates serve as a stable adult presence throughout the duration of the child's time in DCYF care. CASA also provides grants to cover the costs of goods, services, and program fees to meet social and educational needs that are not met by DCYF or other programs.

**We are hosting a Charity Golf Classic at Alpine Country Club in Cranston on June 17, 2024.** Registration and lunch begin at 11:00am and there will be a shotgun start at 12:30pm. We are asking for donations for raffle and sponsorship purposes.

Support from members of the community and businesses like yours is crucial to the continuing success of the children that come before the Rhode Island Family Court. We are confident that with the necessary resources and support, these children will gain the courage to overcome the challenges they face every day.

Please feel free to call the RI Family Services office (401) 458-5417 or email Amanda Venturino ([aventurino@courts.ri.gov](mailto:aventurino@courts.ri.gov)) with any questions. Thank you for your support!

Sincerely,

David DiMaio

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