

Volunteer Drivers



Volunteers have always played an integral role at Durham Children's Aid Society (CAS). The goal of our voluntary services is to assist children, youth and families in the areas of health, well-being, and stability; and to assist in building support networks for families in their community.

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Who are our volunteers?

Durham CAS volunteers must be at least 18 years old, and reside or work in Durham Region. They are dedicated individuals capable of thriving in a demanding and well-organized setting, working collaboratively within a team. Volunteers are open to receiving guidance while also exhibiting a strong capacity for taking on significant responsibilities and making independent decisions.

The role of volunteer drivers

Volunteer drivers offer secure and dependable transportation services to children and youth, with transportation available both during the day and evening, seven days a week.

Volunteers have the flexibility to accept or decline transportation requests based on their availability, and they are eligible for mileage reimbursement.

Volunteer drivers offer transportation services for school commutes, medical appointments, family visits, and similar activities.

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The screening process

Volunteers at Durham CAS are afforded a great deal of responsibility and trust. Our responsibility is to ensure that our volunteers embody respect, responsibility, reliability, compassion, support, and trustworthiness, and who can contribute their strengths to assist the children, youth, and families we support. Several crucial steps are involved in the application and screening process:

- Applicants must actively support and endorse Durham CAS's values and mission.
- Applicants must live or work in Durham Region.
- Applicants must be 18 or older.
- An application must be completed.
- Applicants must provide three references.
- Applicants will provide a Criminal Records Check with Vulnerable Sector screening.
- Applicants must consent to a search within the Child Protection Information Network (CPIN)
- Applicants must provide a Release of Information to contact other Children's Aid Societies when there has been involvement or if they resided outside of the Region for the last ten years.
- Applicants must provide a Driver's Abstract
- Applicants must provide a copy of their current valid driver's license, vehicle ownership and proof of insurance (\$1,000,000 liability). Applicant must be listed as a secondary driver, at minimum.
- Applicants will be interviewed by our Recruitment, Assessment and Development Team (RAD) to determine suitability as a volunteer.
- Applicants must review and sign an oath of confidentiality and other agreements related to our policies and procedures.
- Upon approval, volunteers participate in orientation and training and are provided with a copy of current policies and procedures before becoming an approved driver. There is a probationary period of six months.
- **All volunteers must make a minimum commitment of one year.**

Contact us at volunteer@durhamcas.ca



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Vision

All children and youth in Durham Region are safe and thriving in their families, identities, culture, and communities.

Mission

Durham CAS protects and supports children and youth by engaging families and partnering with communities to deliver trauma-informed, responsive services. We guided by Indigenous and equity affirming outcomes, transparency, accountability, and compassion, with a commitment to transformative change.