



# TEXOMA ALLIANCE To STOP ABUSE

Working Together To End Family Violence In Our Community

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## SPOTLIGHT

This quarterly spotlight is TASA Board member, Danita Logsdon. She has served on the board since March 2020.

Mrs. Logsdon along with her husband David have opened their home and hearts to foreign exchange students and foster children over the years. They are currently fostering two girls.

Danita received an Associate's degree from Vernon College and went on to earn both Bachelor's and Master's degrees from Midwestern State University. She is currently employed with Catholic Charities of Fort Worth where she assists college students with achieving their educational goals through financial resources.

After hearing a presentation on TASA services, Danita's passion for people led her to becoming involved with our program. "I knew I wanted to help more young people get connected to services and to break the cycle of violence," said Logsdon.

Thank you Danita for your commitment to end family violence in our community!



## HIGHLIGHTS

\* This quarter the Domestic Violence High Risk Team (DVHRT) reviewed 15 family violence cases.

\* Advocacy and other services were offered to 10 additional victims of domestic violence this quarter.

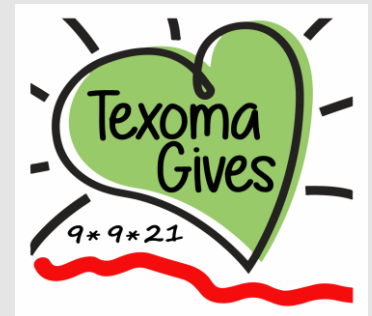
\* The Battering Intervention and Prevention Program is in the process of adding two more facilitators to their team. The program has seen an increase in referrals and hopes to expand services by August.

\* TASA welcomed two new board members: Courtney Rich and Cooper Alexander.

\* Thanks to KAUZ for shooting our very first commercial! It aired on Channel 6 during May. To view the commercial check out <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=m3NwpbOxT2o>

## UPCOMING

TASA will be participating in Texoma Gives on September 9, 2021. This event is a 16-hour day of giving that provides critical funding for area non-profits. This will be our 3<sup>rd</sup> year participating in Texoma Gives, and it has provided our program with much needed funding for victim services. We are so thankful to the community for the generous support and hope to have another successful year. We need your help to keep up this important work! To donate on giving day please visit [www.texomagives.org](http://www.texomagives.org)



## RESOURCES & INFO

LGBTQ Pride Month was celebrated in June. According to NCADV.org, "domestic violence is not limited to heterosexual relationships and can affect individuals of all sexual orientations and genders. Within the LGBTQ community, intimate partner violence occurs at a rate equal to or even higher than that of the heterosexual community. LGBTQ individuals may experience unique forms of intimate partner violence as well as distinctive barriers to seeking help due to fear of discrimination or bias." We can begin to break the cycle of violence by discussing what healthy relationships look like regardless of sexual orientation. Everyone deserves love, respect, and safety.

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