



# CASA of Hidalgo County Inc.

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April is National Child Abuse Awareness Month. This will be our 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Candlelight Vigil, and for the past 20 years have held this event at the Hidalgo County Courthouse. As part of our commemoration of this event, we want to continue holding The Annual Candlelight Vigil, this year on April 5, 2018 from 5:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. in front of the Hidalgo County Courthouse. We are requesting this item be placed in County Commissioners Court for their next meeting.

In order to make this vigil a success, I respectfully ask for your support and participation. CASA of Hidalgo County, Inc., along with other partner agencies, will be at the event in an effort to bring awareness to child abuse and neglect. We would like to request the use of the Courthouse grounds. We would also like to request 14 tables, 42 chairs for the tables, the access to light the lights around the tree, and the use of the bell. We would like to set up chairs and tables outside in the front yard of the Courthouse. We have made contact with the City of Edinburg, Planning and Zoning and Public Works for the closure of Closner street located right in front of the Courthouse to have the police departments and Edinburg Fire Department park their units.

The Mission of CASA of Hidalgo County, Inc. is to speak for the best interests of the children in the courts by promoting and supporting quality volunteer representation to provide each child a safe, permanent and nurturing home.

I would appreciate your participation in this event. Should you have any question, please call me at (956)381-0346.

Sincerely,

Lupe Silva  
Executive Director  
CASA of Hidalgo County, Inc.