

The 4 The K.I.D.S. Awards 2006 Winners

Multi-Disciplinary Team Member of the year: Dennis Lobato

Along with all the countless hours Dennis Lobato gives to his job, he also volunteers extensively in the community. He commits many hours helping out at his church and community outreach programs. Dennis sits on many committees such as the Department of Social Services Child Abuse Case Review, A Kid's Place Case Review, and A Kid's Place Core Team. The most important part of Dennis' life, however, is spending time with his four wonderful children and his beautiful wife.

The George Baxter CASA of the year: Mark Allnutt

Mark Allnutt is a volunteer who has gone beyond the call of duty in his case and has found new and inventive ideas to make a difference for his CASA children. He accepted a case with 3 children who had endured issues of domestic violence, drug and physical abuse, and one parent being incarcerated. These children have not had the opportunities that many children are able to experience but instead had already experienced the bad consequences from their parent's bad decisions.

The Casey Stewart Going The Extra Mile: Judge Robert Lowenbach

Judge Lowenbach recognizes the challenges of being a parent, making him sensitive to family and children's issues. He tries to maintain a sense of dignity for the families in the courtroom. His passion for children extends to the parents, believing that reunification is the best for the child if the parent can provide a safe and loving home. To that end, he has also promoted and started the wheels turning to begin a hybrid drug court where the family will be able to begin treatment in a timelier manner as well as weekly support from the court and providers.

Special Awards - In honor of outstanding service and caring:

Casey Stewart - Going the extra mile, lifetime achievement

Bread Board (Sue Bjordland) - Helping Hand

New Plantation and The Eagles Motorcycle Club - Pursuit of Excellence

K-99/Regent Broadcasting - The Power of Team