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Frederick C. "Fritz" Hany II,
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**Juvenile Court
Volunteer
Guardian Ad
Litem**



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**Ottawa County Court of
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Probate and Juvenile Division
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**Supporting our most
vulnerable community
members throughout
every stage of life.**

Volunteer Guardian ad Litem are appointed by the Juvenile Court Judge to advocate for the best interests of children in court. They remain with each case until it is resolved and the child is placed in a safe, permanent home. Our program supports children from birth through age 18.

Volunteers collaborate with legal and child welfare professionals, educators, and service providers, ensuring that the Judge and Magistrate have the critical information needed to make well-informed decisions for each child.



"While it can be overwhelming to have decisions made that impact your child's future, knowing that there is someone dedicated to ensuring your child's voice is heard and their best interests are protected is invaluable. As a guardian ad litem I strive to provide the court with every piece of crucial information needed to make a decision that truly supports the child's best interests and well-being ."
Gabby T.



Volunteer Guardian ad Litem must be at least 21 years old, pass a background check, and complete 12 hours of initial training (10 hours online and 2 hours in-person).

They are also required to complete 6 hours of continuing education annually, work flexible hours (8-10 hours per month per case), commit to at least one year of service.