Cassandra Velasco Adams

DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN'S SERVICES



PROFESSIONAL BIO

Cassandra Velasco Adams began her journey with the Women's Resource Center to End Domestic Violence in 2014 as a volunteer child and family advocate. Over nearly six years—volunteering, interning, and working directly with children—she developed a deep commitment to supporting young survivors. In 2019, she became Director of Children's Services, where she leads trauma-informed initiatives that create safe, nurturing spaces for children and youth impacted by domestic violence. She also directs Camp PEACE, WRCDV's transformative 8-week summer camp focused on violence prevention, healing, and empowerment.

A passionate advocate for social-emotional learning, Cassie serves as the agency's SEE Learning specialist, equipping educators with tools to cultivate emotional and ethical intelligence in their classrooms. She is trained in Cognitively Based Compassion Training and the Community Resiliency Model, and is currently completing the Sanity School Certification Program for Professionals—a neurodiversity-informed training that enables her to coach and train both parents and professionals in supporting complex kids with evidence-based strategies.

Her leadership and innovation have earned widespread recognition. In 2022, she was named one of Georgia Trend Magazine's 40 Under 40 (Top 10) and one of Atlanta's 40 Under 40 Most Innovative Leaders by Best Self Magazine. In 2024, she was selected for the Educators' Neighborhood cohort by the Fred Rogers Institute, joining a global network of educators advancing peace education and child development inspired by Fred Rogers' legacy.

Cassie holds a B.A. and M.A. in Religious Studies with a concentration in Nonprofit Management. Her graduate thesis, Project Peace: A Nonprofit Project Proposal, explored the integration of mindfulness meditation in public schools as a trauma-informed strategy for fostering resilience across diverse student populations.

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