

WAGE WITHHOLDING

Payroll deduction is the best way to pay and collect child support. When the Program issues a wage withholding notice, the employer makes timely and consistent payments for the employee. More than half of all child support collections come from wage withholding.



SUSPENSION ACTIONS

Before suspending a license or denying renewal of a U.S. passport, the parent receives written notice. If the parent does not pay, reach agreement to pay or contest the action, the parent's license may be suspended, or passport not renewed. Licenses that can be suspended include:

- Driver licenses
- Professional licenses
- Hunting or fishing licenses



WORKING WITH PARENTS & PARTNERS TO ENSURE PAYMENT

Once a child support order is established, we work with families and partners to help children get the support they need and deserve.

Program partners include parents, employers, financial institutions, the IRS, other state and local agencies and the courts all with a goal of receiving timely payments. The Child Support Program uses many methods to assist in this effort. State and federal laws apply to how and when certain methods can be used. We also involve other state child support agencies when one parent lives in another state.



LEVY ON BANK ACCOUNTS

The Child Support Program can collect past-due support from banks and other financial institutions.

CREDIT REPORTING



Like other creditors, the Child Support Program reports past-due amounts to credit reporting agencies.

COURT ACTION

The Child Support Program takes court action to collect support in some cases. Outcomes vary depending on each case, but can include:

- Full or partial payment of past-due support
- Contempt of court
- Orders for work search and/or job training



LIENS

To collect past-due support, the Child Support Program can file liens on:

- Vehicles
- Boats
- Personal watercrafts
- Mobile homes
- Real estate



OTHER COLLECTION METHODS

The Child Support Program can collect money from:

- Insurance settlements
- IRS tax refunds
- Unclaimed property
- Lottery winnings
- Reemployment assistance
- Workers' compensation benefits

