

CONTACTS

For more information about child support contact CSSD at the following locations:

MAIN OFFICE

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Toll free in Alaska:
(800) 478-3300 or TDD (800) 370-6894
FAX: (907) 269-6813

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675 7th Ave Ste J2
Fairbanks AK 99701-4531
(907) 451-2830
FAX: (907) 451-3140

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Juneau AK 99801-1724
(907) 465-5887
FAX: (907) 465-5190

KENAI

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Kenai AK 99611-9106
(907) 283-2957
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MAT-SU

845 West Commercial Dr
Wasilla AK 99654-6937
(907) 357-3550
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Our Internet web site includes updates, news and a child support calculator, as well as the email and fax numbers for Alaska child support employees. Go to www.childsupport.alaska.gov



CHILDREN in state custody & CHILD support



When a child is taken into state custody, and the state is paying the costs of caring for the child, the parents are expected to pay child support to contribute toward those costs. There is a formula, described in Civil Rule 90.3, that determines how much the parents should pay. State law requires the Child Support Services Division to collect these payments.



What is meant by 'state custody'?

State custody includes foster care, residential care, residential treatment and juvenile detention.

Who has to pay the child support when a child is in state custody?

Both parents are required to pay part of the cost of caring for the child in state custody.

When do I have to begin paying?

As soon as CSSD sets up your child support order, you should begin making payments. If there has been a delay in setting up your order, you may have accumulated some back payments and you will have to pay them off. For this reason, you should contact CSSD and provide all the information they need as soon as possible.

Is there anything I should do while I'm waiting for CSSD to set up my case?

Yes. You can set some money aside to pay for the child support that is accumulating while you are waiting for your case to be set up.

How will my payments be made?

If you're employed, CSSD will arrange for your employer to deduct the money from your paycheck and send it to the state. If you are self-employed, you must arrange for the payments to be sent in. If you are unemployed, you may be given a minimal order, but you are still responsible for sending it in.

If you have a child who is in state custody, you should contact CSSD right away. The phone numbers are on the back of this brochure.

Who decides how much I have to pay?

CSSD will set up a child support case. They will determine how much each parent must pay, based on Civil Rule 90.3 and your ability to pay.

How will CSSD know what my ability to pay is?

CSSD will ask you for information about your income, medical insurance and other financial matters. You can help CSSD set a fair child support order by giving them all the information they need as soon as you can.

What happens if I don't give CSSD the information they need?

If CSSD cannot get financial information from you, they can use other sources and estimate your ability to pay. This might cause your child support amount to be higher than it should be.

If it takes you a long time to get the information to CSSD, you will accumulate back child support payments, and you will have to pay them off.

What happens if I don't pay the child support?

CSSD can take PFD checks, tax refunds, bank accounts and other assets to pay a child support debt.

What should I do when my child is no longer in state custody?

Notify CSSD right away, and provide them with the documents to show that your child is no longer in state custody.

Is there anything else I have to do?

Yes.

- Tell CSSD whenever your address changes, or when you change jobs.
- Answer any letters you get from CSSD as soon as you can.
- Give CSSD copies of any court orders for child support, custody or parental rights.

