Benefits of Working with Child Support Services

California's Child Support Program: A Resource for Parents

The Department of Child Support Services (DCSS) is here to help you navigate the Child Support Program. Early contact with DCSS will provide you with many long-term benefits.

Benefits Include

- You may establish a working relationship with your case workers. If parentage is at issue, you can request genetic testing.
- Help you understand how a child support order is established, modified, and enforced.
- Help you understand how medical support works - the establishment of the order and how medical support is enforced.
- If an enforcement action is taken against you, we can inform you of your rights and help you understand what actions you need to take to satisfy or stop the enforcement action.
- You are informed about the court order and when you are required to start paying your support or when you should expect to
- start receiving support.
- Ensures that the amount of support you are being charged is correct. We provide accurate accounting and payment records.

With participation from both parents, children benefit both financially and emotionally in many ways:

Financial:

- Housing
- Groceries
- Health Insurance
- Transportation
- Education
- Daycare
- Extra-Curricular Activities

- Peace of mind for child(s) well-being
- Peace of mind for the child/children
- Strengthened parent/ child relationships
- Stability in home life

For more information, contact your local child support office: 1 (866) 901-3212 **or TTY:** 1 (866) 399-4096
https://childsupport.ca.gov/

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