

FFY 2013 CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT FACT SHEET

TOTAL SOUTH CAROLINA CSED STAFF	237
• FTE State/Local IV-D Offices	220
• FTE Under Cooperative Agreements	17
• FTE of Privatized IV-D Offices	0

TOTAL CHILD SUPPORT COLLECTIONS	\$252,296,064
• TANF	\$14,024,504
• Non-TANF	\$238,271, 506

AVERAGE MONTHLY OBLIGATION AMOUNT	
• TANF (as of 09/30/13)	\$245.05
• Non-TANF (as of 06/30/13)	\$298.18

TOTAL CHILD SUPPORT CASELOAD	224,944
• Current Assistance	25,979
• Former Assistance	119,588
• Never Assistance	79,377

SIGNIFICANT CSED ACTIVITY FROM 10/01/12-09/30/13

- Cases opened: **26,143** (TANF 10,095 NTANF 16,048)
- Absent Parents Located: **23,523** (TANF 7,178 NTANF 16,345)
- Paternities Established or Acknowledged: **24,721**
- Support Orders Established: **9,675** (TANF 1,944 NTANF 7,731)
- License Revocation: **3,419** notices of intent to revoke licenses with **1,597** licenses revoked
- New Hire Reporting: **663,552** referrals received with **34,339** matches; **15,924** wage withholding requests

CSED collected **\$22.1** million in past due child support in FFY 2013 through IRS and state tax intercept programs. Child support arrears submitted to the IRS and SC Department of Revenue for possible intercept equaled **\$1.3** billion. CSED also collected **\$5.2** million in Unemployment Benefit Intercept.

For every dollar spent on the South Carolina child support program, **\$6.04** was collected from the non-custodial parent (NCP) during FFY2013.

The federal match rate for the Program is **66%** federal funds and **34%** state funds.

Federal incentives are paid to the state and shared by the counties. In FFY2012, the last year available, South Carolina earned more than **\$4.6** million in incentives. Out of that sum, the Clerks of Court were paid **\$2** million.

The License Revocation program collected over **\$683** thousand in past due child support in FFY 2013.

Income withholding collections amounted to over **\$149** million.

FIDM collections amounted to over **\$128** thousand.

Insurance intercept collections amounted to **\$600,240**.

Lottery intercept collections amounted to **\$11,324**.

Passport denial generated collections of **\$83,537**.

Administrative expenditures for FFY 2013 totaled **\$47,149,292** which included **\$5,355,419** for CSES computer system development.

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The Federal Family Support Act of 1988 required that the following be implemented:

-Child support Guidelines, based upon gross income of parents, must be used to determine the child support award amount.

-DSS must review the guidelines at least once every four years. A review of the guidelines was completed in the spring of 2006.

Income Withholding

Effective January 3, 1994, immediate income withholding was required in all cases.

Period Review and Adjustment of DSS Support Orders:

-Every three years at the request of either parent, or upon a showing of substantial change in circumstances

The South Carolina Family Independence Act of 1995 required that the following be implemented:

License Revocation-If a licensee in a CSED case is more than \$500 in arrears and/or has not paid the full child support obligation for 60 days under a child support order, the CSED may initiate license revocation proceedings.

In-Hospital Paternity Establishment-Through a contract with Policy Services, Inc., CSED has established a program to promote in-hospital voluntary acknowledgement of paternity. PSI works with birthing hospitals and other medical entities to increase awareness of the availability of voluntary paternity acknowledgement.

New Hire Reporting-All employers must report certain data elements on all newly hired or rehired employees within 20 calendar days.

In addition to the provisions of the Act, state law allows for these enforcement methods: contempt of court; income withholding; liens on real or personal property; attachment of unemployment compensation; medical support enforcement; interception of income tax refund; credit bureau reporting; bonds, securities or other guarantees; "freeze and seize" actions on savings, checking, CDs, money market accounts, lottery intercept program.

Child Support Debit Card-Beginning February 2011, DSS began sending state-disbursed child support monies by debit card rather than by check through an arrangement with the State Disbursement Unit vendor, Affiliated Computer Services, Inc.