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August is Recognized as Child Support Awareness Month

RANCHO CORDOVA, CA – August is Child Support Awareness Month in California and nationwide, and California Child Support Services is reminding parents that the 49 county and regional child support agencies across the state offer a range of services to assist both co-parents in the shared job of supporting their children.

Research conducted statewide reveals annually that many California single parents – both outside the child support program and participating in it – were unaware of programs available for their benefit through child support services. If a parent needs to get a court order for either financial or medical support, their local child support agency can assist in the process. Many agencies work with both parents to create stipulated agreements for support that work for both parents while also supporting the needs of the child, saving time and money by helping to avoid costly court proceedings.

As California continues to respond to statewide impacts from the COVID-19 pandemic, California Child Support Services is available to assist single parents and their families. Those with child support orders who are suffering financial setbacks due to the virus are encouraged to contact their local agency to explore their options during this difficult time.

While the process can be complicated, there are numerous options to reach out to California Child Support Services or local child support agencies for program and services guidance. Case participants can email their caseworker directly or enable texting options through the 24/7 online platform, Customer Connect, or call (866) 901-3212.

For more information, visit California Child Support Services at www.childsupport.ca.gov.

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