

Office of Child Support Enforcement

Office of the Administrator P.O. Box 8133 Little Rock, AR 72203-8133 Phone: (501) 682-6169

Fax: (501) 682-6169 Fax: (501) 682-8402 www.childsupport.arkansas.gov

December 6, 2021

Ms. Marty Garrity, Director Bureau of Legislative Research State Capitol Room 315 Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Ms. Garrity:

In compliance with Arkansas Code Ann. § 25-10-118, we are submitting a semi-annual report on the performance and progress of the Child Support Program for the period of January 1, 2021, through June 30, 2021.

If you need additional information or have questions, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Barbara Morris-Williams Administrator

Enclosure

cc:

Larry Walther, Cabinet Secretary Alan McVey, Chief of Staff and Chief Fiscal Officer Charlie Collins, Commissioner of Revenue Paul Gehring, Assistant Commissioner of Revenue

Semi-Annual Report of Child Support Program January 1, 2021 through June 30, 2021

The following information is submitted in compliance with Arkansas Code Ann. §25-10-118 and summarizes certain activities of the Office of Child Support Enforcement (OCSE) for the six-month period ending June 30 2021.

A. <u>Hospital Based Paternity Acknowledgment</u> - This program was established in October 1993 to provide information to unwed parents, while still in the hospital for childbirth, of the benefits of establishing paternity. Hospital staff assists them in completion of the necessary paperwork to acknowledge paternity if that is the parent's desire.

Paternity Acknowledgments Received

01/01/20-06/30/20	01/01/21-06/30/21	Percent Change
4,515	4,652	3.03%

B. <u>License Suspension Program</u> - The Office of Child Support Enforcement is authorized to suspend driver's licenses, game and fish licenses, professional and business licenses, and vehicle tags of non-custodial parents if certain conditions exist on a case.

Driver's Licenses Suspended

01/01/20-06/30/20	01/01/21-06/30/21	Percent Change
1,575	3,287	108.70%

Game and Fish Licenses Suspended

01/01/20-06/30/20	01/01/21-06/30/21	Percent Change
451	1,009	123.73%

Professional/Business Licenses Suspended

	middinged daspended	
01/01/20-06/30/20	01/01/21-06/30/21	Percent Change
247	540	118.62%

Vehicle Tags Suspended

TOTAL TRANSPORTER	<u>, u</u>	
01/01/20-06/30/20	01/01/21-06/30/21	Percent Change
128	288	125%

C. <u>Enforcement</u>

	01/01/20-06/30/20	01/01/21-06/30/21	Percent Change
Enforcement Cases	113,790	145,119	27.53%
New Cases Opened	24,102	23,203	-3.73%

D. Collections

	01/01/20-06/30/20	01/01/21-06/30/21	Percent Change
Enforcement Collections	\$145,115,861	\$133,629,636	-7.92%
Non-Enforcement Collections	\$17,825,927	\$15,587,325	-12.56%
Total Collections	\$162,941,788	\$149,216,961	-8.42%