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Child Support Awareness Month

Children are our future. Supporting our state's children today will guarantee they have a rewarding and productive future. It is essential that parents contribute to their children's success through child support. Child support is about more than the financial and medical coverage - child support is one of the many ways parents express their love and support for their children.

Child Support Awareness Month serves to remind those parents who are behind in meeting their child support payments, to contact their local child support agency to make a payment, modify their child support order, or work with their local child support professionals to explore options for providing financial and medical support for their children. Local agencies also make referrals to workforce programs or other non-child support programs, as appropriate.

The mission of the California Department of Child Support Services is to enhance the well-being of children and the self-sufficiency of families by providing professional services to locate parents and establish paternity and establish and enforce orders for financial and medical support.

Providing child support is one of the many ways that parents demonstrate their love for their children. Our children need that love and support for the healthy and bright future they deserve. I invite all Californians to recognize that child support is that essential bridge for more than 1.4 million children and their families.

Sincerely,

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