

Child Support Web sites

For Division of Child Support (DCS) information:
www.childsupportonline.wa.gov

Child Support Internet Payment Service:
<https://fortress.wa.gov/dshs/csips/csips/default.asp>

Information for Victims or Survivors of Domestic Violence:
<http://www.dshs.wa.gov/dcs/services/domesticviolence.asp>

Child Support Calculator:
<http://www.courts.wa.gov/ssgen/>

Call the DCS office nearest you or call **800-442-KIDS (5437)** to find the office handling your case.

Division of Child Support (DCS) Offices

Everett	800-729-7580 425-438-4800
Fife	866-243-4449 253-922-0454
Kennewick	800-345-9981 509-374-2000
Olympia	800-345-9964 360-664-6900
Seattle	800-526-8658 206-341-7000
Spokane	800-345-9982 509-363-5000
Tacoma	800-345-9976 253-597-3700
Vancouver	800-345-9984 360-696-6100
Wenatchee	800-535-1113 509-886-6800
Yakima	800-441-0859 509-249-6000
Headquarters	800-457-6202 360-664-5000

If you would like to open a case with the Division of Child Support, you can visit your local child support office, contact us at 800-442-KIDS (5437), or go to our web site at:
www.childsupportonline.wa.gov



**How to
obtain or
modify a
Child Support
Order on
your own**



Are you trying to prepare or modify your own child support order?

What kind of legal help is available?

You have several options if you can't afford your own attorney:

- Courthouse Facilitator
www.courts.wa.gov/court_dir
- CLEAR (Coordinated Legal Education and Referral)
1-888-201-1014
- Washington Law Help
www.washingtonlawhelp.org

Where can you get the forms you need?

There are several websites where you can find forms:

- Forms for Washington state courts
www.courts.wa.gov/forms/
- DSHS Division of Child Support forms
<http://www.dshs.wa.gov/dcs/Resources/Forms.asp>
- Washington Law Help
www.washingtonlawhelp.org

You can also get hard copy forms from the Facilitator's or the Superior Court Clerk's Office.



Do your children receive public assistance?

If so, you must give notice to the state before entry of your child support order.

Use the **Declaration Regarding Public Assistance, DRPSC 01.U0600**, to advise the court, whether or not the state requires notice.

How do you calculate the support amount?

The Washington State Child Support Schedule (WSCSS) is used to set child support amounts, whether you are entering a brand new order or modifying an existing order.

You can use the online child support calculator at <http://www.courts.wa.gov/ssgen/>

to figure out what the amount should be.

The facts of your case may allow for setting the obligation at an amount higher or lower than the amount you get from a basic calculation.

How do you get the other parent's income amount?

Child support orders are based on each parent's income. But what if you don't have a copy of the other parent's pay stub?

If you need help finding income information for the other party to your child support order, DCS might be able to provide what you need.

You can use the **Request for Income Information** form to ask DCS if we have income information for the other party. You can get the form on line, from the court-house facilitator, or from your local legal services provider.

If you already have a DCS case, we may already have the information you need. If you don't have a DCS case, you can ask us to open a "locate only" case just to find out income information. After we get the income information (or if we can't find anything), we close the case.

How can you enforce your child support order?

The pattern form for the Order of Child Support contains options for how the child support will be paid. Most orders provide for payment through Washington State Support Registry (WSSR).

If you provide for payment through WSSR, sign the last page of the order to request DCS enforcement services.

What if you don't have a child support order, but want one?

Although we can't help you with your dissolution or parenting plan, we may be able to assist you in getting an administrative child support order. Contact us at 1-800-442-KIDS or visit our website at

www.childsupportonline.wa.gov