



# ARE YOU INCARCERATED AND OWE CHILD SUPPORT?

## YOU MAY BE ENTITLED TO RELIEF.

### **New Maryland Law on Child Support and Incarceration:**

Effective October 1, 2024, a new law in Maryland will provide assistance to parents unable to make child support payments due to any length of incarceration after that date. While relief for periods of incarceration before this date is limited, it is still possible.

### **Current Policy (Before October 1, 2024):**

- You are sentenced to a term of imprisonment of 180 consecutive calendar days (six months) or more.
- You are not on work release and have insufficient resources to make child support payments.

For more information, contact your local child support office at 1-800-332-6347 or visit:

<https://dhs.maryland.gov/child-support-services/child-support-resources>.

### **WHAT DO I NEED TO DO?**

Contact your local child support office and give them the following information:

- Your name, social security number and date of birth;
- Your state identification number (SID#), name and address of the institution where you are incarcerated;
- The date you were sentenced;
- The length of the sentence imposed by the court;
- Your address and phone number upon your release; and,
- The names of your children, the names of their parent(s), and your child support case number(s).

### **IS THERE ANY REASON WHY I MIGHT NOT QUALIFY FOR THIS RELIEF?**

You do not qualify:

- If you are on work release;
- If you have sufficient funds to continue to make your child support payments; or,
- If you committed the crime with the intent of being incarcerated or otherwise becoming impoverished.

### **WHAT HAPPENS NEXT AFTER I CONTACT MY LOCAL CHILD SUPPORT OFFICE AND THEY DETERMINE I QUALIFY FOR THIS RELIEF?**

Your local child support worker will adjust your account to reflect that payments are not currently due and will not become due until 60 days after your release from incarceration. In addition, your local child support worker will adjust your account so that your arrearages balance will not increase while you are incarcerated and for 60 days after your release.

**PLEASE PRINT**

Name	State Identification Number (SID#)
Institution Name	Institution Address
Address Upon Release	Phone Number Upon Release
Social Security Number	Date of Birth
Date Current Incarceration Began	Expected Date of Release
Name of Child(ren)	
Other Parent's Name/Case Number	

**HOW DO I CONTACT MY LOCAL CHILD SUPPORT OFFICE?**

Please complete the above tear-off form and mail to the appropriate child support office below. Add **“ATTN: Incarcerated Obligor”** to the front of the envelope.

Below is a list of mailing addresses for all of the local Child Support offices in the State of Maryland:

Allegany County:	1 Frederick Street, Cumberland, MD 21502
Anne Arundel County:	44 Calvert Street, 2nd Floor, Annapolis, MD 21401
Baltimore City-East:	1900 N. Howard Street, Baltimore, MD 21218
Baltimore City-West:	2401 Liberty Heights Avenue, Suite 4645, Baltimore, MD 21215
Baltimore County:	211 Schilling Circle Suite 102, Hunt Valley, MD 21031
Calvert County:	200 Duke Street, Prince Frederick, MD 20678
Caroline County:	P.O. Box 400, Denton, MD 21629
Carroll County:	P.O. Box 930, Westminster, MD 21158
Cecil County:	P.O. Box 1160, Elkton, MD 21922
Charles County:	200 Kent Avenue, La Plata, MD 20646
Dorchester County:	2737 Dorchester Square, Cambridge, MD 21613
Frederick County:	P.O. Box 237, Frederick, MD 21705
Garrett County:	12578 Garrett Highway, Oakland, MD 21550
Harford County:	101 South Main Street, Suite 200, Bel Air, MD 21014
Howard County:	9780 Patuxent Woods Drive, Columbia, MD 21046
Kent County:	315 High Street, Suite 208, Chestertown, MD 21620
Montgomery County:	51 Monroe Street, Suite 811, Rockville, MD 20850
Prince George's County:	4235 28th Avenue, Suite 135, Temple Hills, MD 20748
Queen Anne's County:	125 Comet Drive, Centreville, MD 21617
St. Mary's County:	P.O. Box 509, Leonardtown, MD 20650
Somerset County:	P.O. Box 369 Princess Anne, MD 21853
Talbot County:	301 Bay Street, Unit 5, Easton, MD 21601
Washington County:	122 North Potomac Street, Hagerstown, MD 21740
Wicomico County:	31901 Tri-County Way, Suite 101, Salisbury, MD 21804
Worcester County:	299 Commerce Street, Snow Hill, MD 21863