INCARCERATED OBLIGOR VIDEO PROJECT

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Incarcerated Obligor Video

The video production committee produced this video to assist incarcerated fathers in dealing with their child support cases.

- Law requires support be reduced or suspended whenever a payer's income changes dramatically.
- Unemployment, disability, rehabilitation, and prison all examples of income changes that would warrant modification of support.
- 55% of all males and 65% of all females in state and federal prisons are parents of minor children.
- Child support debt is a large contributor to recidivism. Non payment of support causes parents to lose their drivers licenses and professional licenses, which prevent them from gaining lawful employment once released.

Incarcerated Obligor Video (continued)

- Video, along with support posters, fact sheets, and forms are being disseminated to all 33 state prisons.
- County version of the video created for use in county jails statewide.
- Copies of county version to be mailed to all county child support directors for use in their communities.
- El Dorado County staff has met with the Community Partnership Liaisons.
- Next video will target incarcerated females and the newly paroled to ensure support obligations resume when the parent re-enters society.

Associations and Their Support for Local Government

Associations that support county directors and their programs are a necessary part of service delivery.

- Represent the local program at the state and federal level
- Gather data and prioritize issues
- Speak as a united voice for program
- Promote regulatory changes and initiate legislation through the state
- Publish informational materials for the public and for program staff
- Help keep busy department heads informed on local, state, and federal program issues

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Child Support Directors Association (CSDA) Committees

Through the various committees, CSDA provides technical expertise and policy direction to Child Support Directors throughout California.

- Annual Conference
- Appellate
- Attorney Faculty Training
- Automation
- Education
- Fact Sheet Workgroup
- Finance
- Judicial Council Forms

- Legal Practices
- Policy and Regulations
- Publications
- Research
- Small County
- SDU Transition Project Subcommittee
- Video Production Subcommittee

CSDA Training Opportunities

1. Child Support Attorney College

 Provides Minimum Continuing Legal Education (MCLE) credits required for California attorneys

2. CSDA Leadership Institute

 Presented and attended by Child Support Professionals from county and state agencies

3. Annual Training Conference

- Only statewide training hosted by Child Support Professionals
- 70 workshops that cover all aspects of the program
- Workshops geared to all staff clerical to directors

Without the support of CSDA, statewide training and the work of the various committees listed previously would not occur.