

## OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

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## **Child Support Awareness Month**

Providing all of California's children with a healthy start is one of the best investments our state can make. Child Support Awareness Month underscores the critical importance of supporting families and connecting them with the vital resources they need to help their children grow and thrive.

California's families span many diverse structures and backgrounds, and California Child Support Services works to connect families of all kinds with support to care for their children. While each family's needs are unique, the shared goal is ensuring every child is provided for and feels safe and loved.

Child support professionals are dedicated to assisting parents and legal guardians in providing consistent support for their children and understand that one size does not fit all. From prioritizing payment to families over aid recoupment to utilizing enforcement actions that promote payment and family stability, the state is committed to finding solutions and meeting people where they are.

During Child Support Awareness Month, we recognize the role of these efforts to secure shelter, safety and support for the youngest Californians in bringing us closer to creating a California for all and forging a brighter future for our entire state.

Sincerely,

Gavin Newsom