



## OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

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### ***Child Support Awareness Month***

In August, we recognize Child Support Awareness Month — an opportunity to highlight the essential role child support services play in supporting families and connecting them with the vital resources they need to help their children grow and thrive, no matter the situation. Child support is more than a financial contribution; it can be the foundation of children's wellbeing, stability, and opportunity. Through tools and services, we support co-parents and empower children to thrive.

Across the state, teams are dedicated to making the process easier, more transparent, and more inclusive. California child support professionals offer guidance, free or low-cost resources, and support to help co-parents navigate what can often feel complicated or overwhelming. Whether parents are establishing an order, making or receiving payments, establishing parentage, or seeking guidance through changing circumstances, California Child Support Services is there to help.

During Child Support Awareness Month, we acknowledge the crucial role of these efforts in securing shelter, safety, and support for California's youngest residents, bringing us closer to creating a California for all and forging a brighter future for our entire state.

Sincerely,

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