

## HOW LONG IS SUPPORT PAID?

Support is paid until your child is emancipated. That may happen when:

- Your child turns 19;
- After age 19 if your child is disabled; OR
- The **court decides** that your child is:
  - Over 18 and out of school for at least 4 months;
  - Living independently/ married/ in the military;  
AND
  - Able to support him/herself

---

**REMEMBER!** Call our office to report changes:  
job, address, living together, name changes, etc.  
**260-358-4884**

---

**To view your payments online, go to**  
<http://www.in.gov/ai/appfiles/fssa-childsupport/>

**Visitation Guidelines:** [www.IN.gov/judiciary/rules/parenting](http://www.IN.gov/judiciary/rules/parenting)

## PLACES THAT CAN HELP:

Employment:	
WorkOne Huntington	260-356-7109
Supervised Visitation and Mediation:	
Youth Services Bureau	260-356-9681

# CHILD SUPPORT INFORMATION FOR CUSTODIAL PARENTS

---

This booklet is provided to you by:  
Huntington County Prosecutor's Office  
Child Support Division  
Room 417 Courthouse  
(260) 358-4884

*Please note:* This booklet is provided as a service to you and is NOT legal advice. Also, the Child Support Office does not represent either party; it only represents the State of Indiana.

Additional information about making support payments is available at the County Clerk's Office or the Child Support Office

## NEXT COURT DATE

---

**Support ordered:**                   \$\_\_\_\_\_ /week

**Arrearage:**                         \$\_\_\_\_\_ /week

(Arrearage is the amount you are behind in your payments)

## WHAT CAN THE PROSECUTOR DO?

The Prosecutor's Office represents the State of Indiana's interest in the collection of child support. You can request our assistance to

- Establish paternity and support orders
- Modify support orders
- Enforce court orders for support and arrearage payments
- Locate an absent parent

The Prosecutor's Office cannot help you with visitation, custody, or college expenses.

## HOW DO I GET MY SUPPORT MONEY?

You will receive your payments by direct deposit to your bank account or onto an Indiana Visa Debit Card. If you wish to have direct deposit, you need to pick up a form in the Child Support Office and return it to the Indiana State Central Collection Unit (INSCCU). If you opt for the Indiana Visa Debit Card, the card will be mailed to you. Contact 1-888-393-5866 with questions about the Indiana Visa Debit Card and the KIDS Line at 1-800-840-8757 with questions on direct deposit. If the non-custodial parent pays through the Huntington Clerk's Office, you will receive a check from the Clerk of the Court.

---

### Warning:

*Generally speaking, you should not ask or allow the other parent to give you cash or to buy things for your children instead of paying through the clerk's office. All money for the children should go through the support office. When money is paid directly to you, the other parent may not get credit for the money paid directly to you. A misunderstanding like this can cause problems.*

---

## WHAT IF HE/SHE DOESN'T PAY?

You can ask that the support order be enforced by the court. Talk to your caseworker about filing a contempt petition. If he/she is found in contempt, he/she could be sentenced to jail, community

service, and/or the Hallway Program. The IVD Office can also do the following:

- Put a lien on cars/ truck / other property
- Suspend licenses to drive, fish, hunt or professional license
- Suspend passports
- Intercept tax returns
- Notify the credit bureaus

## CAN I STOP VISITS?

NO! **You can't keep the other parent from visiting** because he/she is not paying support regularly. If there are other problems with the visits, talk to an attorney. The Child Support Office cannot help you with visitation or custody issues.

## CAN THE AMOUNT OF SUPPORT CHANGE?

The Court ordered amount **does not change** unless you or the other parent asks (Petitions the Court) to reconsider the amount or the child reaches the age of 19. Either parent can petition if:

- Either parent's income goes up or down
- The child leaves home
- Either parent is sent to prison
- The child is removed by CPS (Child Protection)
- Either parent starts to receive disability
- There is a change in custody
- You and the other parent are living together
- An older child on the order is emancipated
- More than a year has passed since the last modification

Your support order does not change unless you file the Petition and the judge grants it. If you wish to have your caseworker review your order, fill out the modification packet and return it to the IVD Office, file a petition with the Court pro se, or speak with an attorney about your options.

