

HOW DO I GET STARTED?

Contact Montgomery County
Department of Human Resources
Child Support Enforcement
(334) 293-3100

WHERE CAN I FIND ADDITIONAL RESOURCES?

Area code (334)

Alabama Department of Human
Resources

* Main Line	242-1310
* Adult Protective Services	242-1350
* Administrative Hearings	242-1325
* Child Care Services	242-1425
* Financial Assistance	242-1733

Child Protect	262-1220
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Family Court	261-4100
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Lawyer Referral	269-1515
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Legal Services	832-4570
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Montgomery County Sheriff's Department	832-4980
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Montgomery Police Department	241-2790
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Sunshine Center	206-2100
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VOCAL	279-8300
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Child Support	832-1299
Drug Court	832-7198
Grand Jury	832-7199
Helping Montgomery Families Initiative	832-1666
Investigations	832-2550
Juvenile Prosecution	832-2138
One Place Family Justice Center	262-7378
Pre-Trial Diversion	832-2503
Restitution	832-2544
Victim Services	832-2550
Worthless Checks	832-1630

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CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT INFORMATION

WHAT DOES THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S CHILD SUPPORT UNIT DO?

The Montgomery County District Attorney's Child Support Enforcement Unit operates with a cooperative agreement with the Alabama Department of Human Resources, the State of Alabama and the Montgomery County District Attorney's Office.

The purpose of the Child Support Unit is to:

- establish paternity and child support
- modify existing support orders when circumstances change
- enforce child support orders for the children of Montgomery County

The Montgomery County District Attorney's Child Support Enforcement Unit acts as legal counsel for the Montgomery County Department of Human Resources.

HOW CAN I OPEN A CHILD SUPPORT CASE?

One way to open a child support case is to go to the Montgomery County Department of Human Resources (MCDHR) and follow their procedures for opening a child support case. You can also call MCDHR at (334) 293-3100 for additional information. The case will then be referred to the Montgomery County District Attorney's Child Support Enforcement Unit.

The second way to open a child support case is with the Montgomery County Family Court. You may hire an attorney or represent yourself. The Court will give you instructions for filing.

CAN I OPEN A CHILD SUPPORT CASE WITH THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE?

You cannot open a child support case directly with the District Attorney's Child Support Enforcement Unit. All cases must be referred to us by the MCDHR.

WILL THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT UNIT ATTORNEY REPRESENT ME IN COURT?

The Deputy District Attorney (DDA) represents the State of Alabama on all child support issues. There is no attorney/client relationship between you and the DDA. Contact Legal Services at (334)832-4570 if you need assistance in obtaining an attorney.

WHAT IF I HAVE PHYSICAL CUSTODY OF A CHILD BUT DO NOT HAVE LEGAL CUSTODY, CAN I STILL GET CHILD SUPPORT?

You can get support of a child that is in your physical custody. Contact the Department of Human Resources Child Support Enforcement Division at 334-293-3100 to open a case.



WHAT ARE CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT ISSUES?

- **Paternity** - Determining legal fatherhood by court order. The alleged father may request genetic testing even if his name appears on the child's birth certificate.
- **Support** - Once a legal duty of support is established, support is granted in accordance with Rule 32 of the Rules of Judicial Administration wherein both parents' gross income is used to calculate the amount of child support due each month.
- **Contempt** - When the defendant fails to pay support as ordered by the Court, contact the MCDHR at (334)293-3100 to begin contempt action.
- **Modification** - If a change in either party's circumstances necessitates that the ordered amount either increase or decrease, you should contact the MCDHR to obtain a modification.
- **UIFSA (Uniform Interstate Family Support Act)** - In cases where one of the parties is out of state, paternity, support and enforcement of orders can be handled in the state where the custodial parent lives.

