

# **Child Support Waiver and Compromise Program**

What is it? Coshocton County CSEA has a debt relief program available for qualifying cases. This opportunity is available only two-times per year during the months of February and August.

Who qualifies? If you owe back child support to the State of Ohio, and you are currently making payments or can begin to make payments, your case may qualify for the program.

How do I apply? Contact our Customer Service Department at 740-622-1020 (option 1) and request an Application be mailed to you. The Customer Service Representative will also be able to tell you if your case has qualifying back child support owed to the State of Ohio. You may request and return your Application by no later than February 9, 2015.

How much can be forgiven? The maximum amount that can be forgiven is generally \$4999. However, in some instances, this amount can be higher depending on other details of the case.

How does it work? There are two phases. For each phase, you can have a percentage of your arrearage (aka back child support) waived on the condition you make full and timely payments on your case for a period of 6 months. You may enter into a second phase, for an additional 6 months, if you meet the requirements of the first phase.

Is approval based on my income/assets? No.

Why are you willing to waive my back support owed to the State of Ohio? We understand often times that high amounts of debt can be overwhelming and often lead to individuals giving up on goals of paying it off. Our goal is to help families receive the child support they need and deserve. In order to do this, we are willing to compromise a portion of the arrears owed to the State of Ohio in exchange for the family receiving full and timely child support payments. This program encourages Child Support payors to make these payments and helps families entitled to receive payments depend on regular payments. It's a win for both parties involved.