

It's important that you contact us if you have updated your phone number or address.

Termination of Support Order

Termination of a support order is the ending of a current support obligation. Any unpaid child support obligation still needs to be paid.

A Child Support obligation may end when:

- The child has graduated from high school and has turned 18.
- The legal custody of the child has changed
- Child Support cannot continue past the age of 19 except in limited circumstances.

The Office of Child Support Services can help you terminate your support obligation in these circumstances. Contact us if you need help.



Office of Child Support Services
1640 Superior Ave
Cleveland, Ohio 44114
Mailing Address:
P.O. Box 93318
Cleveland, Ohio 44101
216-443-5100
www.cjfs.cuyahogacounty.us

Access your child support case online through the web portal: <http://jfs.ohio.gov/ocs>



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Child Support Services

Together we serve with dignity, respect and compassion.

Office of Child Support Services

Core Services provided at the Cuyahoga County Office of Child Support Services:

- Establish legal parenthood
- Establish child support orders
- Collect monthly child support, spousal support obligations
- Collect past due obligations
- Modify child support orders
- Maintain accurate records
- Provide case management and enforcement services
- Termination of support

The Office of Child Support Services supports parents and promotes parental responsibility so that children receive support from both parents even when they live in separate households.

Contact us if you need help. These services are provided to you at no cost.

Establishment of Paternity

Paternity establishment is the legal determination of fatherhood.

Legal paternity in Ohio can be established by:

- Acknowledgment of paternity affidavit (legal document waiving genetic testing)
- Administrative Order through genetic testing (Child Support agency)
- Judicial Order (Court order)

We can help. Contact us for information on free genetic testing if paternity has not been established.

To utilize our paternity establishment services, send in a written request to: Office of Child Support Services, P.O. Box 93318, Cleveland, Ohio 44101.

You can also fill out the online application for services at <https://cjfs.cuyahogacounty.us/en-US/ContactForGeneralQuestion.aspx>

For faster service, please include as much information as you can about the parties involved.

Modification/Review of Support Order

If you have an existing child support order, you may qualify for a modification/review of your order.

Examples of reasons for a review but not limited to are:

- Three years since your last review
- Incarceration
- If there is a 30% change in income for at least six months or more
- Permanently disabled or receiving Social Security

Federal Office of Child Support guidelines on adjusting orders: https://www.acf.hhs.gov/sites/default/files/programs/css/changing_a_child_support_order.pdf

