



# Compromise of Arrears Program (COAP)

The Compromise of Arrears Program (COAP) may reduce the amount of past due child support owed for a time period your child(ren) received public assistance.

## COAP Essentials

You must meet certain criteria to apply for this program, including:

- Past due owed to the state of at least \$501
- Pay all past due child support owed to the family
- Ability to pay some of the balance due to the state

Contact our office for more information about qualifying for the program.

The application process requires documentation such as:

- Federal tax returns
- Paystubs and bank statements
- Rent receipt or proof of mortgage
- Utility bills
- Auto registration on all vehicles owned by you
- Income and Expense form provided by our office
- Other documentation as needed

Preparing your documentation in advance expedites the application process. A representative will contact you once a determination of eligibility is made.



# What can impact eligibility to COAP?

Certain occurrences may impact your eligibility, including:

- ✔ Concealing income and/or assets
- ✔ Withholding or falsifying financial information
- ✔ Being found in contempt of court for failure to pay support within six months prior to applying for COAP
- ✔ Submitting more than one application or being denied for COAP within one year
- ✔ Not complying with a previous COAP agreement within the last two years
- ✔ Intentionally failing to pay child support in anticipation of a compromise

## Contact Us

Do you need assistance completing COAP forms? Our team is dedicated to navigating the COAP process with you - at no cost. If you need help, give us a call, visit our office or visit us online.



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