



Prosecuting Attorney - Child Support 00100.842.

Mission Statement

To assist the state in providing exceptional child support services to improve the lives of children, families and communities.

Function

The Prosecuting Attorney provides child support enforcement for the state. This office is responsible for establishing paternity, modifying existing child support orders, and prosecuting enforcement actions, as well as representing the state in all child support cases where children have been or are receiving public assistance. In addition, this office provides services for interstate cases in accordance with UIFSA and international cases in accordance with the Hague Convention on the International Recovery of Child Support, as well as working with Tribal IV-D Programs.

Trends/Events

- The state has instituted higher confidentiality and protection of private information requirements for all Family Support offices handling DCS Title IVD work. The updated contract that Clallam County has entered with the state will require additional changes to our operation which we are working on instituting now. These include locking offices, locking file storage, clear desk / computer screen policies, updated purge procedures, visitor verification and office entry/exit logs, and employee reminders regarding dissemination of personal tax information.
- Many changes have been made to the pattern forms for Washington State Family Law cases. While WAPA-SEP has been able to keep up with some of these changes, others have been less timely. The Clallam County Family Support Division is working to maintain current forms to the extent possible using both the SEMS merge files from WAPA-SEP and seeking out updated pattern forms from the State Courts website.
- WAPA-SEP has chosen to discontinue providing e-mail addresses to county employees working on DCS Title IVD cases. By the end of November 2019, we will need to be completely reliant on our county e-mail addresses. We are working with county and DSHS IT specialists to find a way for our state equipment to work with our county e-mail at our remote location.

Goals

- It is the goal of the Clallam County Family Support Division to re-envision and expand our contempt re: failure to pay child support diversion program. It is our intention to improve reach (retention) and outcomes (consistent payment / wage withholding) of cases entered into the program through more extensive follow-up and resource referrals. Additionally, it is our goal to reduce the number of cases that require regular judicial oversight.

Workload Indicators

	2017 Actual	2018 Actual	6/30/19 Actual
Support Enforcement Cases (July - June)	168	148	70
Contempts	66	60	24
Modifications	31	23	14
Paternity	68	60	30
Other	3	5	2
Total Hearings	402	371	207

Grant Funding Sources

1. Washington State Department of Social and Health Services
2. Department of Health and Human Services (Federal)

Revenues

	2017 Actual	2018 Actual	6/30/19 Actual	2020 Budget
Taxes	0	0	0	0
Licenses and Permits	0	0	0	0
Intergovernmental Revenues	255,264	255,446	123,346	260,000
Charges for Goods and Services	0	0	0	0
Fines and Forfeits	0	0	0	0
Miscellaneous Revenues	0	0	0	3,500
Other Financing Sources	0	0	0	0
Transfers In	0	0	0	0
General Tax Support	6,780	-621	23,892	54,798
Total	\$262,044	\$254,825	\$147,238	\$318,298

Expenditures

	2017 Actual	2018 Actual	6/30/19 Actual	2020 Budget
Salaries and Wages	168,558	161,099	90,244	192,855
Personnel Benefits	61,024	62,610	39,025	82,473
Supplies	2,915	1,712	274	7,300
Other Services and Charges	29,547	29,404	17,695	35,670
Intergovernmental Services	0	0	0	0
Capital Outlays	0	0	0	0
Interfund Payments for Services	0	0	0	0

Transfers Out	0	0	0	0
Total	\$262,044	\$254,825	\$147,238	\$318,298

Staffing

	2017 Budget	2018 Budget	2019 Budget	2020 Budget
Full Time Equivalents	2.90	2.90	2.90	2.90