Warren County Celebrates Child Support Awareness Month

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The Warren County Child Support Enforcement Agency recently donned green in recognition of August being Child Support Awareness Month.

Ohio's child support program provides services to over 1,000,000 children. County child support agencies work diligently to ensure that these children receive financial support for a better future. The child support program encourages responsible parenting, family self-sufficiency, and child well-being. Agencies provide services to locate parents, establish parentage, establish child support and medical support orders, collect and distribute support, modify orders when circumstances have changed, and enforce orders that are not being paid. County child support agencies also provide services to families of all types including divorcing parents, unmarried parents, caretaker relatives, children in the foster care program, and others, regardless of family income.

Locally, Warren County CSEA, under Director Tommy Howard, is a division of the Warren County Prosecutor's Office. Warren County CSEA administers approximately 12,500 cases involving over 16,000 children. The agency collects more than \$44.5 million dollars in child support each year and is consistently recognized as one of the most cost-effective child support agencies in Ohio. It collects over \$16.50 per dollar spent, which is nearly double the State average.

"People are understandably passionate about their children. There are parents in our community who are upset that they may not be receiving adequate child support, and likewise there are other parents who are upset because they believe they are being asked to pay more than their fair share. Despite the conflicts that oftentimes exist, the employees of Warren County CSEA work tirelessly each day to ensure that all parties are treated fairly when enforcing the child support orders of the Warren County Juvenile Court and Warren County Domestic Relations Court," said Warren County Prosecutor David P. Fornshell.



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