GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES DIVISION OF CHILD SUPPORT SERVICES

Community Outreach

Helping parents support their children.

91%

of noncustodial parents owing child support in Georgia are fathers.

During FFY15,

5,848

were enrolled in the Fatherhood Program, supporting

12,741

children.

Fatherhood Program

Through the Fatherhood Program, the Department works with parents who are unemployed or underemployed and are consequently unable to pay their full child support obligations. The program connects parents with resources leading to jobs that pay above minimum wage, leading to greater self sufficiency and more emotional, parental and financial involvement in the lives of their children. Georgia has the only statewide program in the U.S. Services provided include:

- GED classes
- short-term training
- volunteer opportunities
- resume writing

- job placement, coaching and mentoring
- federal bonding
- referrals for access and visitation
- referrals for legitimization

Participants who have had their driver's licenses suspended or who are subject to license suspension for nonpayment of child support have the opportunity to regain driving privileges. The process for releasing a driver's license for a program participant is outlined below.

Fatherhood Program Driver's License Release Process

Parent enrolls in Fatherhood Program (FHP)

> Enrollment date entered



Suspension override activated

- Suspension process stopped or
- Suspended license is released
- Parent must pay reinstatement fee to DDS

Parent nonparticipation

- Removed from FHP
- Suspension override removed
- License subject to suspension if criteria met

Parent completes program

- Suspension override removed
- Current and arrears payments must be paid in full to avoid re-suspension

CONTACT INFORMATION

For information about the Georgia Fatherhood Program and other Community Outreach Services, call **1-844-MYGADHS (1-844-694-2347)**. Custodial and noncustodial parents may apply for services, enter and receive information about their case, make a payment online or check payment information by using the Customer Online Services portal at **www.dcss. dhs.georgia.gov**. Users receive a password to protect confidentiality.



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