The DHR Child Support Enforcement Administration (CSEA) contributes to the success of Maryland families by helping them stay economically independent. CSEA establishes paternity for children born to unmarried parents and collects and distributes child support payments.

Collections: Last year, the CSEA collected the most child support on behalf of Maryland’s children in the State’s history.

- **$30 Million Increase**
  - 2012: $519 Million
  - 2013: $549 Million

- **$154 Million**
  - Amount disbursed to former recipients of Temporary Cash Assistance who may very well have otherwise been relying on the state for economic stability.

- **223,500**
  - Number of children with open cases

Improving Customer Service

**Non-Custodial Parent Employment Program (NPEP) - Last 5 Years**

DHR connected **12,586** participants to employment services start paying child support.

**Electronic Payment Issuance Card (EPIC)**

EPIC card deposits make it easier, faster and safer for custodial parents to get child support.

CSEA Goals: Maryland is performing above the national average in four key areas.

- **Support Orders**: FFY12 National Average: 81.9%, FFY13 Maryland: 85.1%
- **Paternity Established (IV-D)**: FFY12 National Average: 94.6%, FFY13 Maryland: 98.7%
- **Current Support Collected**: FFY12 National Average: 63%, FFY13 Maryland: 66.8%
- **Cases Paying Arrears**: FFY12 National Average: 63.4%, FFY13 Maryland: 67.7%