

**Georgia Department of Human Services** Division of Child Support Services

## **Feasibility Study** DHS Board Meeting

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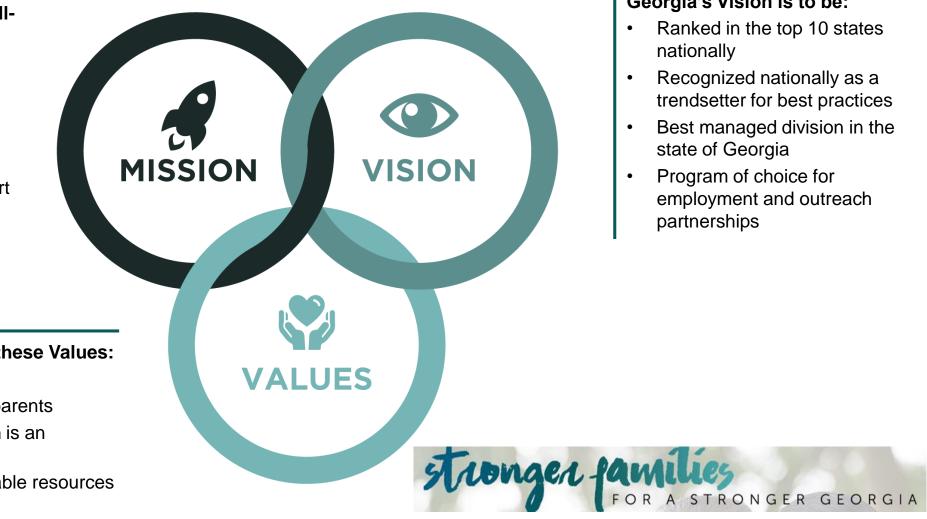


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# **Division of Child Support Services**

### Our Mission is to Enhance the Well-Being of Children by:

- Locating Non-Custodial Parents
- Establishing paternity
- Establishing, enforcing and modifying support obligations (financial and medical)
- Collecting and distributing support payments



#### Georgia's Vision is to be:

- Ranked in the top 10 states nationally
- Recognized nationally as a trendsetter for best practices
- Best managed division in the state of Georgia
- Program of choice for employment and outreach partnerships

### DCSS is Governed by these Values:

- Put Children First .
- Children need both parents ٠
- Customer Interaction is an . opportunity
- Employees are valuable resources



# **Program Data**

DCSS is responsible for the statewide administration of the child support enforcement program under the provisions of Title IV-D of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 651 - 669).

Program Legislative Authority	
State Authority / Reference	Official Code of Georgia, Annotated, Titles 9 and 19 and Departmental Rules, DHS Rules at 290-7-1
Federal Authority / Reference	Code of Federal Regulations, Title 45, Parts 300-399
Budget	
Total Budget SFY2020	\$111,182,364
% State Funds	27% = \$29,839,350
% Federal Funds	70% = \$78,105,754
% Other Funds	3% = \$3,237,260
Program Information	
Performance Indicators	<ul> <li>Performance Measures:</li> <li>Paternity establishment 79.17%</li> <li>Order establishment 91.10%</li> <li>Current support paid 60.43%</li> <li>Arrears support paid 63.51%</li> <li>Collections \$613,364,713</li> <li>Undistributed collections 1.33%</li> <li>Cost Effectiveness 7.14*</li> <li>Locate 1.88%</li> </ul>
Total Offices	58 local offices excluding state, region and specialty/hub offices
Total Number of Positions	1,123
Total Caseload as of 7/31/2019	380,350

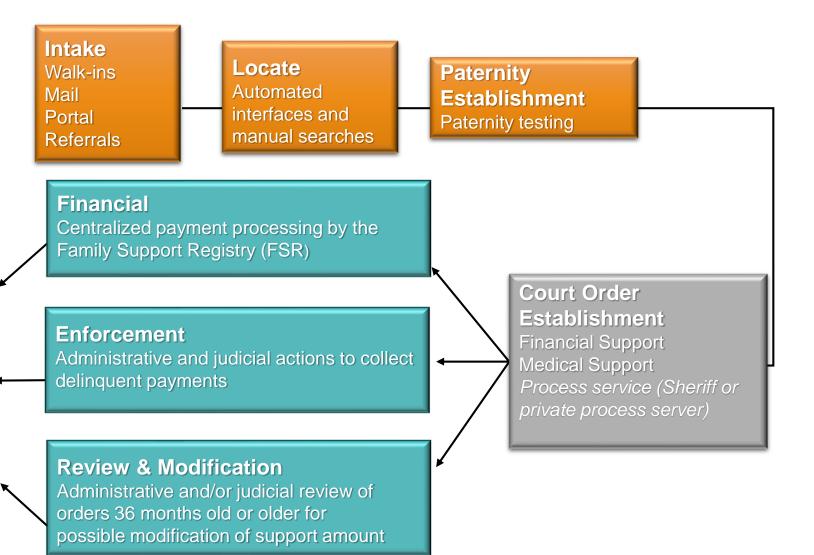


# **Child Support Services**



### **Outreach Programs**

DCSS has partnered with other government and community agencies to develop a comprehensive network of services – Fatherhood and Parental Accountability Court Programs.





# **DCSS – APPLICATIONS**

**\$TARS** 



**Operational since: 1994** 

Programming language: COBOL, VB/ASP, .NET

Platform: Mainframe z/OS 9.1, Windows 2008 R2 SP1

- Transferred from Maryland and enhanced to meet the needs of Georgia by System House, Inc.
- Web based front-end replaced the existing legacy front-end system and integrated with the \$TARS DB2 mainframe system

Data Warehouse



### **Operational since: 2010**

Programming language: SQL

Platform: Oracle Business Intelligence Enterprise Edition 12.2.1.4

- Data repository tool to assist staff in identifying cases which need action
- Several dashboards including: Federal 157 Report, Executive, Agent Dashboard and Fatherhood
- Data is updated daily

Enterprise Notice Generation System



### **Operational since: 2018**

Programming language: Microsoft .NET Framework

## Platform: Windows 2008, IIS 7.0

- Used for Federal Income Withholding (FIW) notice generation
- Georgia Employer Hub reviews notices and takes appropriate actions
- Functionalities include:
  - Manage and track FIW notices
  - Divide notices into workloads
  - Assign statuses to individual notices
  - Control batch printing
  - Review performance dashboard
  - Review reports



# **DCSS – APPLICATIONS (CONTINUED)**

### Mobile App



Programming language: C#, JavaScript/Java

#### Platform: MobileFirst Foundation Platform

- Developed in-house. Received awards from the National Association of State CIOs (NASCIO), IT Solutions Management (ISM) and Georgia Technology Authority (GTA)
  - 288k downloads
  - 53k documents uploads

> Some of the features include:

- Make payments and review payment history
- Chat with a DCSS representative
- View case activities and support orders
- Receive notifications/alerts

### **Customer Online Services**



### **Operational since: 2005**

Programming language: C#, Java

#### Platform: Windows 2008 R2 SP1, SunOS 5.10

- Self-service option allowing customers to access their case information online
- Features include:
  - Apply for services
  - Make payments and review payment
     history
  - View case activities
  - View support order details
  - Locate child support offices
  - Receive email notifications







Vendor CSG Government Solutions



Project kick-off April 2019



Discovery and Requirements Sessions Over 100 employees participated



**Functional Requirements Document** 



**Initial Feasibility Study Report** 



**Alternative Solutions Analysis** 



Final Feasibility Study Report January 2020





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## Questions

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