

# Sauk County, Wisconsin

## 2014 Sauk County Child Support Agency Annual Report

**2014 Mission:** Provide effective and quality service to the public with respect to establishment and enforcement of child support, medical support, establishment of paternity, and all other functions of the child support program.

### **Departmental Program Summary:**

The Sauk County Child Support Agency is responsible for establishing paternity for children born to unmarried females, or to females who are currently married but the husband is not the biological father of the child born during the marriage. The agency must also establish orders for child support and health insurance for any parent receiving public assistance benefits or any parent who applies for the Agency's services. We must meet federal timelines in accomplishing these tasks. We must perform locate functions in an attempt to find parents who do not reside with their children. We must file intergovernmental actions when in-state actions fail or are inappropriate. We must also make sure that collections are made in each federal fiscal year towards arrearages, interest, and birth cost balances. We are required to perform reviews of existing child support orders every 33 months or upon written request of the parties, to determine if the amount of child support ordered complies with state guidelines. Cases are certified through computer interface for both federal and state tax intercept programs and are also submitted to the child support lien docket program when appropriate. In order to accomplish these tasks, the staff spends a great deal of time gathering and providing information, and answering questions regarding procedures, payment records, etc.

### **2014 Goals Review**

#### 2014 GOALS REVIEW

OBJECTIVE	WAS THIS OBJECTIVE REACHED IN 2014?
	Yes or No (If no, please provide comment)
Receipt of performance money based on:	
90% paternity establishment rate	Yes (111.83%)
80% court order establishment rate	Yes (92.15%)
80% current support collection rate	Yes (81.21%)
80% Collection on Arrears	No (78.79%)

## **Changes / Accomplishments:**

Three of the four performance measures were met for the 2014 federal fiscal year. We will receive 100% of incentives available for three of the four performance categories.

Agency staffing levels for regular FTE's remained the same. We had one retirement in 2014 and that position was successfully filled.

## **Statistical Summary:**

The number of active IV-D cases increased from 3449 on 9/30/2013, to 3490 on 9/30/2014, an increase of 41 IV-D cases (the Federal Fiscal Year runs October 1 through September 30).

2014 expenses were \$827,439.30. 2014 revenues were \$719,317.24. The amount of tax levy used was \$108,122.06.

For the 2014 calendar year, total collections were \$10,885,979.11, an average of \$907,164.93 per month. This was an increase of \$121,385.94 over 2013 collections of \$10,764,593.17 (1.13%).

2014 collections from federal tax intercepts totaled \$385,233.27, a decrease of \$85,596.46 from 2013 collections of \$470,829.73.

2014 collections from state tax intercepts totaled \$154,425.36, an increase of \$30,438.39 from 2013 collections of \$123,986.97.

2014 collections from Unemployment Insurance totaled \$201,993.27, a decrease of \$95,629.60 from 2013 collections of \$297,622.87.

2014 collections from Income Withholding from Employers totaled \$7,784,206.79, an increase of \$286,760.24 from 2013 collections of \$7,497,446.55.

2014 Lying-In collections totaled \$252,722.19, a decrease of \$86,811.69 from 2013 collections of \$339,533.88.

Total collections in 2014 increased 1.13% from 2013. Further analysis revealed the sources of child support payments have changed considerably since 2009 (see attachments). For the calendar year, collections from Income Withholding increased by a total of \$286,760.24, from \$7,497,446.55 in 2013 to \$7,784,206.79 in 2014. For the calendar year, collections from Unemployment decreased by a total of \$95,629.60 from \$297,622.87 in 2013 to \$201,993.27 in 2014.

In 2014, total collections were \$10,885,979.11, and total agency costs were \$827,439.30. The child support agency returned \$13.16 for every dollar spent on the program. The agency's requested county levy was \$167,576.00.

**OUTPUT MEASURES**

<b>DESCRIPTION</b>	<b>2012 ACTUAL</b>	<b>2013 ACTUAL</b>	<b>2014 ACTUAL</b>
IV-D cases (as of September 30th of the applicable FFY year)	3441	3449	3490
Staff members	11	11	11

**SAUK COUNTY OUTCOME AND EFFICIENCY MEASURES FFY 2012, 2013, and 2014**

<b>DESCRIPTION</b>	<b>2012 ACTUAL</b>	<b>2013 ACTUAL</b>	<b>2014 ACTUAL</b>
Establishment of Paternity (90%)	112.03%	111.83%	111.98%
Establishment of Court orders (80%)	90.79%	91.53%	92.15%
Collection of Current Support (80%)	80.10%	80.96%	81.21%
Collection on Arrearages (80%)	80.43%	79.66%	78.79%

**STATEWIDE OUTCOME AND EFFICIENCY MEASURES FFY 2012, 2013, and 2014**

<b>DESCRIPTION</b>	<b>2012 ACTUAL</b>	<b>2013 ACTUAL</b>	<b>2014 ACTUAL</b>
Establishment of Paternity (90%)	103.80%	104.64%	105.43%
Establishment of Court orders (80%)	86.77%	87.35%	86.98%
Collection of Current Support (80%)	71.59%	72.50%	73.01%
Collection on Arrearages (80%)	64.03%	65.15%	66.02%