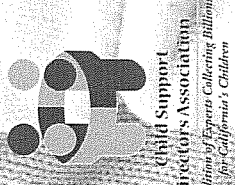
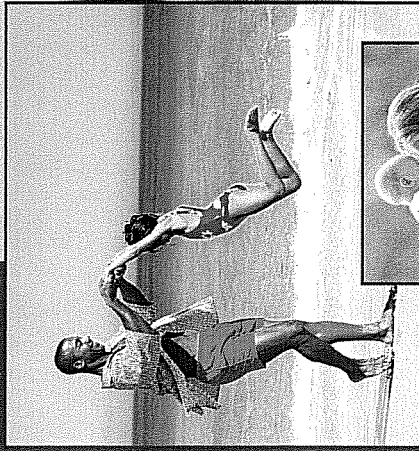


THE BENEFITS OF CHILD SUPPORT

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CHILD SUPPORT IS:

- **The money paid by one or both parents to meet the needs of their children**
- **The second largest source of income for poor families**
- **The backbone of a family's budget.**
- **Delivering \$26 million annually in Santa Barbara County**



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THE NEED FOR CHILD SUPPORT

One quarter of the nation's children receive child support services

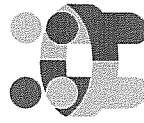
FINANCIAL SUPPORT

- Three quarters of single parent families with incomes below 200% of poverty receive child support services
- Support payments play a stabilizing role during economic downturns, helping families get from paycheck to paycheck

HEALTHY FAMILIES

- Health insurance to promote healthy children
- Positive effect on children's achievement in school
- Access to medical records and survivor benefits

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BENEFITS TO CHILDREN

■ CLOTHES

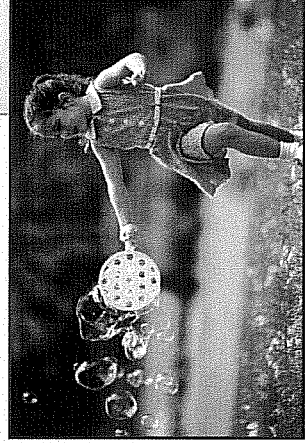
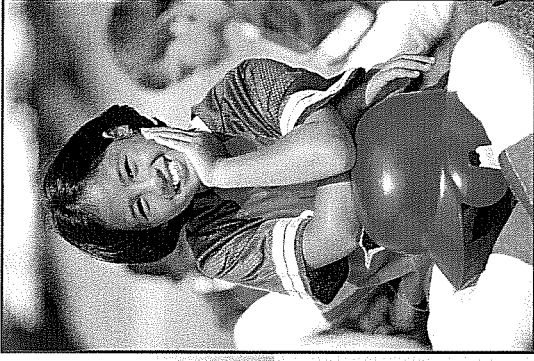
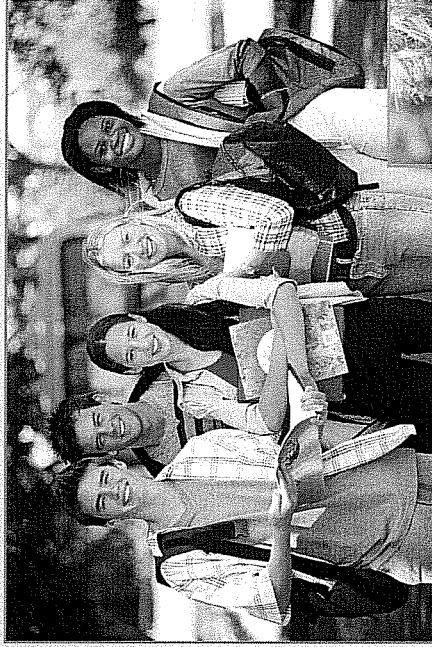
■ FOOD

■ SHELTER

■ AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

■ BOOKS

■ BRACES



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BENEFITS TO PARENTS RECEIVING SUPPORT

■ FINANCIAL SUPPORT

- Housing
- Groceries
- Transportation
- Education
- Day Care

■ EMOTIONAL SUPPORT

- Peace of Mind for their Children

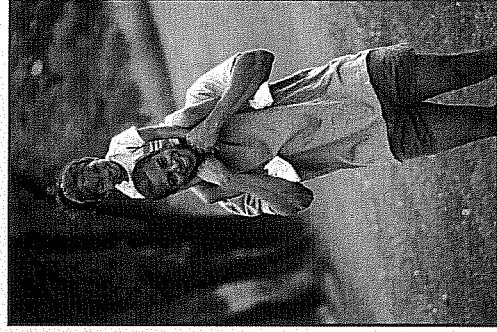


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BENEFITS TO PARENTS PAYING SUPPORT

- Strengthening relationships with their children
- Fulfilling financial responsibility and creating stability
- Learning more about their children



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WHAT IS THE CHILD SUPPORT PROGRAM?



- Rated by the Federal Office of Management and Budget as the best managed, most effective social service program.
- A federally (66%) and state (34%) funded program that encourages families to become self-sufficient
- A multi-disciplinary program working in collaboration with other county departments, such as Social Services, the District Attorney's Office and the Sheriff's Office

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CHILD SUPPORT SUPPORT CREATES REVENUE

FUNDING	COLLECTIONS
FY 02-03	\$2.2 billion
FY 03-04	\$2.3 billion
FY 04-05	\$2.3 billion
FY 05-06	\$2.3 billion
FY 06-07	\$2.3 billion
FY 07-08	\$2.3 billion
Total Collections	\$13.7 billion



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BENEFITS FOR THE GOVERNMENT

Recovery of Public Assistance

S F Y 07 / 08

■ STATE REIMBURSEMENTS:

\$187 million

■ FEDERAL REIMBURSEMENTS:

\$181 million

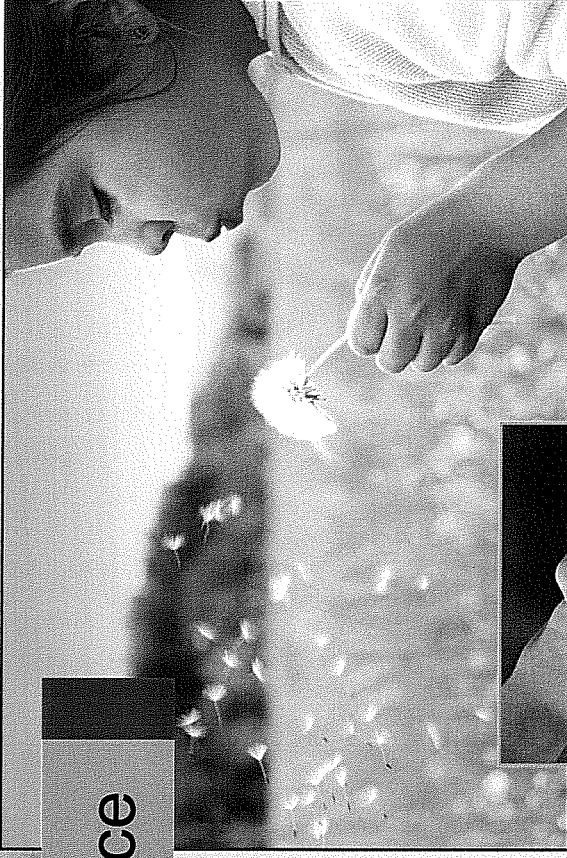
■ COUNTY REIMBURSEMENTS:

\$22 million

■ SANTA BARBARA COUNTY REIMBURSEMENT

\$ 298,000 DSS (\$310,000 in FY08 – 09)

\$ 326,000 Probation Department (\$239,000 in FY08-09)



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BENEFITS FOR THE GOVERNMENT

S F Y 07/08 COST AVOIDANCE	
CalWORKs	\$161 Million
Food Stamps	\$ 91 Million
Medi-Cal	\$ 40 Million
Social Security	\$ 15 Million
Housing Subsidies	\$ 8 Million
Total	\$ 315 Million



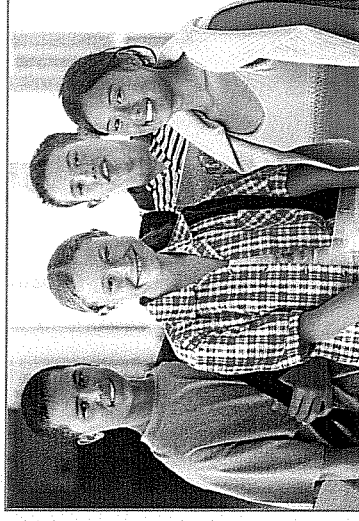
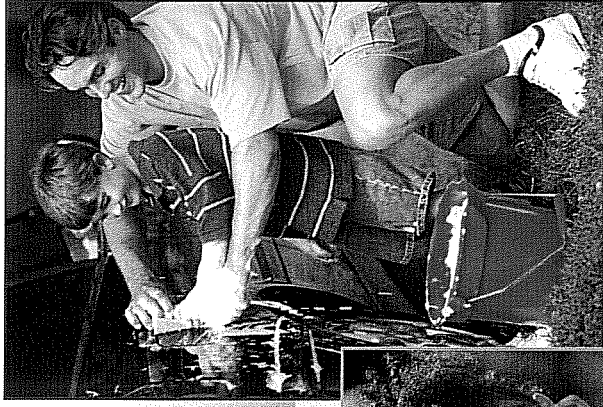
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NOW MORE THAN EVER

THE CHILD SUPPORT PROGRAM PROVIDES

- Direct benefits to families
- Cost avoidance for other public assistance programs
- Healthier, more self sufficient families



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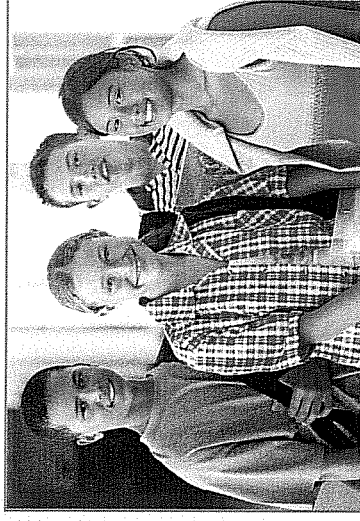
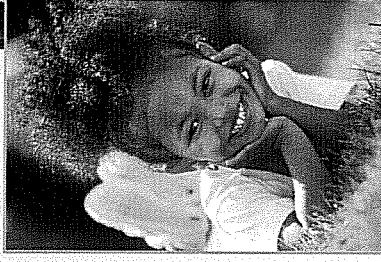
Customer Connect

California's self-service information system.

Providing parents with general information, and personal account information available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

One toll-free number linking all 58 counties:
(866) 901-3212

Self-Service Website: www.childsup-connect.ca.gov

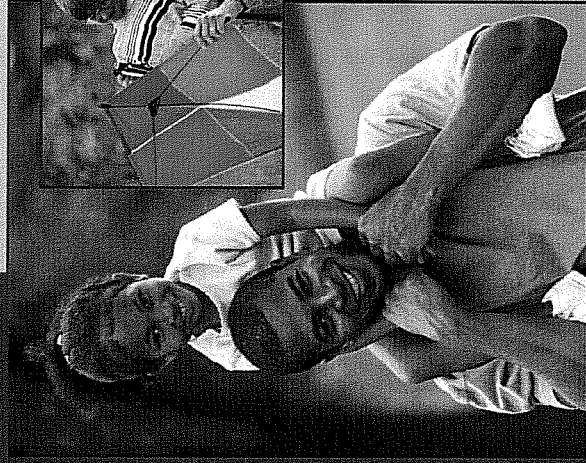


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Get Back On The Road

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