



# **SHERRI BEVAN WALSH**

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## **August is Child Support Awareness Month**

*Three-Day Child Support Solutions Event Set for August 14-16, 2019*

AKRON, Ohio (Wednesday, July 31, 2019) – Summit County Prosecutor Sherri Bevan Walsh today announced a major event in recognition of Child Support Awareness Month to assist people who owe child support.

**WHAT:** Child Support Solutions

**WHERE:** Child Support Enforcement Agency

175 S. Main Street - 5<sup>th</sup> Floor, Akron, OH

**WHEN:** Wednesday August 14 – Friday August 16, 2019

8:30 am – 4:00 pm

“One of my goals as Summit County Prosecutor is to fight for families. This event provides an opportunity for families to get the support they desperately need. If you owe child support, this is a chance to make things right,” said Prosecutor Walsh. “Parents can meet one-on-one with a case manager to discuss what’s holding them back from paying. There will also be information available on programs to help them overcome obstacles to payment, including on-site employment assistance.”

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Child Support Solutions is a one-stop shop for people who need assistance in paying their court-ordered child support. Case managers will be available to discuss payment arrangements and potential support modification. Attendees can take a quick, painless genetic paternity test to legally establish paternity. Parents who have their driver's license suspended for failure to pay child support can learn about ways to get their license back the same day. Some parents can also see if they qualify for waiver and compromise of past due support owed to the state of Ohio. Additionally, we will provide information from a number of local agencies to help attendees finish their education, get a new job and become a better parent.

This year, the Summit County Prosecutor's Office Child Support Enforcement Agency is also holding "Dollar Days" for the entire month of August. For every one dollar paid toward past due support, the agency will waive one dollar of past due support owed to the State of Ohio, not to exceed the total balance due. A minimum payment of one-hundred dollars and signed agreement are required.

No criminal or civil warrants will be handled at the event. For questions and more information, including questions about outstanding warrants, please contact the Summit County Child Support Enforcement Agency at (330) 643-2765.

Summit County CSEA will be joining CSEAs from across Ohio in wearing green on Wednesday August 7, 2019 in recognition of Child Support Awareness Month.

#### **About CSEA**

The Summit County Child Support Enforcement Agency collects nearly \$76 million annually and handles nearly 46,000 child support cases. Each year it establishes support orders for approximately 4,000 children. Since its inception in 2001, the Criminal Non-Support program has collected over \$45 million through its aggressive prosecution of individuals neglecting to pay child support. You can learn more about CSEA on its website: <http://co.summitoh.net/prosecutor/index.php/divisions/child-support-enforcement>.