**Virginia Division of Child Support 2020**

This image provides a high-level view of the Virginia Division of Child Support’s success in three child support areas: collections, caseload, and cost-effectiveness. Due to the pandemic, 2020 was a very unusual year, so we are providing some information to assist in your interpretation of the calculations presented.

As is stated in the graphic, the Virginia Child Support Program collected 676 million in 2020, which is an increase of approximately 59 million from 2019. Let’s look at what led to this increase, as well as other statistics noted in the infographic.

- The Economic Impact Payment (EIP) issued under the CARES Act resulted in a significant increase in collections for child support agencies nationwide.
- This Economic Impact Payment significantly increased TANF collections, from 5-8%, even though the TANF caseload remained relatively unchanged from the previous year.
- Although the percentage of collections disbursed to families dropped from 95% in 2019 to 91% in 2020, the actual dollars disbursed to families increased. Approximately 615 million was disbursed to families in 2020 in comparison to approximately 586 million in 2019.
- The smaller caseload size from 2019 to 2020 (261,000 children served in 2019 to 252,000 in 2020), is an ongoing national trend, but the decrease was less significant than in previous years.
- Payments from employer income withholding decreased as a significant number of people experienced pandemic-related job loss. Current support collections, however, increased as Virginia was able to collect support directly from unemployment insurance payments.
- Many individuals used the additional money from the CARES Act that supplemented their unemployment benefits to ensure their entire current support payment was paid in full.
Virginia Child Support 2020
More Money for Families

Collections*

In FY2020, the child support program collected $676 Million

62% of child support was collected by income withholding from an employee’s paycheck.

91% of child support collected went to families.

The child support program served
252,000 statewide
13.8 million children nationwide

Cost-Effectiveness

One of the most cost-effective government programs

$6.93 collected by the child support program for every $1.00 spent

Caseeload Comparison

Children served compared to other programs†

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Source: Office of Child Support Enforcement

* Includes IV-D and non-IV-D payments.
** Does not total 100% due to rounding.