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### **County's Child Support Services Department Receives Four Statewide Awards**

(Oakland, CA) - Alameda County's Department of Child Support Services is the recipient of four (4) statewide performance awards from the California Department of Child Support. The County is ranked first among large counties at establishing paternity for children; collecting child support payments; and for collecting past due payments. It is also ranked among the 10 best counties in the State at meeting federal performance standards.

"Staff worked extremely hard last year establishing paternities, obtaining appropriate child support orders and getting obligated parents to pay those orders," says Department Director Maureen Lenahan. Lenahan accepted the awards at a statewide director's meeting held recently in Sacramento.

Until last year, the department, like those across the State, was part of the District Attorney's Office. With the passage of Assembly Bill 196, District Attorneys were mandated to transition their Family Support Divisions into the new department. Alameda County's transition was completed successfully in July of 2002.

Persons interested in opening a case with the County's Department of Child Support Services, should call **(510) 639-7299**, log on to [www.acgov.org/css](http://www.acgov.org/css) or write to **AC-DCSS, 2901 Peralta Oaks Ct, Oakland, CA 94605**. Office hours are Monday through Friday from 8:30am to 5pm.

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