

**COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
AGENDA ITEM TRANSMITTAL**

(1) DEPARTMENT Administrative Office	(2) MEETING DATE 3/18/2014	(3) CONTACT/PHONE Lisa Howe x5011	
(4) SUBJECT Submittal of a resolution in recognition of the Department of Child Support Services performance. All Districts.			
(5) RECOMMENDED ACTION It is recommended that the Board adopt a resolution recognizing the Department of Child Support Services performance.			
(6) FUNDING SOURCE(S) N/A	(7) CURRENT YEAR FINANCIAL IMPACT \$0.00	(8) ANNUAL FINANCIAL IMPACT \$0.00	(9) BUDGETED? Yes
(10) AGENDA PLACEMENT { } Consent    { <b>x</b> } Presentation                    { } Hearing (Time Est. ___)    { } Board Business (Time Est. ___)			
(11) EXECUTED DOCUMENTS { <b>x</b> } Resolutions    { } Contracts    { } Ordinances    { } N/A			
(12) OUTLINE AGREEMENT REQUISITION NUMBER (OAR) N/A		(13) BUDGET ADJUSTMENT REQUIRED? BAR ID Number: { } 4/5 Vote Required    { <b>x</b> } N/A	
(14) LOCATION MAP N/A	(15) BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT? No	(16) AGENDA ITEM HISTORY { <b>X</b> } N/A    Date: _____	
(17) ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE REVIEW Guy Savage			
(18) SUPERVISOR DISTRICT(S) All Districts -			

# County of San Luis Obispo



TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Administrative Office / Lisa Howe  
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DATE: 3/18/2014

SUBJECT: Submittal of a resolution in recognition of the Department of Child Support Services performance. All Districts.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Board adopt a resolution recognizing the Department of Child Support Services Performance.

## **DISCUSSION**

In the mid 1970's, Congress enacted legislation requiring that all 50 states create programs aimed at establishing paternity and collecting child support. California initially chose to administer the State program through the offices of the County District Attorneys. In 1999, the California Legislature created the State Department of Child Support Services and mandated the creation of local child support agencies including the San Luis Obispo County Department of Child Support Services. The State Department is responsible for overseeing the County Departments, and is required by statute to compile performance data on all local child support agencies, and to report annually to the legislature on the comparative performance and ranking of the County programs in five critical performance measures. The performance measures include establishment of paternity, establishment of court orders, collection of current support, collection of child support arrears, and the ratio of administrative cost as compared to total child support collections.

The State Department recently announced that during the 2013 federal fiscal year the San Luis Obispo County Department of Child Support Services was ranked first in four of the five state and federal child support performance measures, and has achieved the number one overall ranking among all local child support agencies in California. Attachment 2 provides the Comparative Performance Table published by the State Department of Child Support Services representing the comparative performance and ranking of all local child support agencies in California for the 2013 federal fiscal year. The San Luis Obispo County Department of Child support Services has achieved the top overall local child support agency performance ranking in eight of the past 10 years.

The high level of performance by the San Luis Obispo County Department of Child Support Services contributes to prosperity in the county by ensuring the best opportunity possible for families to receive the support they are entitled to.

## **OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT/IMPACT**

The department works collaboratively with other county departments including the Sheriff's Office, District Attorney's Office, Department of Social Services, as well as with various state and federal agencies.

## **FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS**

There are no financial considerations associated with this item.

## **RESULTS**

The resolution recognizes the high level of performance by the San Luis Obispo County Department of Child Support Services, which contributes to prosperity in the county by ensuring the best opportunity possible for families to receive the support they are entitled to.

## **ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment 1: Resolution in recognition of the DCSS performance

Attachment 2: Performance Table FFY 2013