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## **Stanislaus County Wins Bronze Award of Excellence for Child Support Services**

**Sacramento, CA** - Stanislaus County Department of Child Support Services (DCSS) was honored by California DCSS Director Alisha Griffin last Wednesday for the county's outstanding efforts to support families throughout the state. The county received the Director's Excellence Bronze award for increasing reliability of child support payments to families during the federal fiscal year.

The recognition was given at the first California Statewide Child Support Director's meeting of the year where Stanislaus County DCSS Director Baljit Atwal accepted the award. The award criteria take into account increases in total distributed collections, percentages of current support due that is paid, and percentage of cases that are paid in full every month, all of which translate into consistent, reliable income to help stabilize the resources available to children in local families.

Stanislaus County DCSS earned their Bronze recognition by averaging a 2.79 percent increase across the award criteria.

"Congratulations to Director Atwal and her staff," Griffin said. "Their dedicated efforts contribute to a better life for children in families in Stanislaus County and across the state."



Stanislaus County DCSS Director Baljit Atwal receives her Bronze Director's Excellence Award from California Department of Child Support Services Director Alisha Griffin.

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