



ST. CLAIR COUNTY FRIEND OF THE COURT

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CHILD SUPPORT BENCH WARRANT AMNESTY

- Who:** Parents who have outstanding civil warrants on child support in St. Clair County.
- What:** Amnesty will be granted on child support warrants issued in St. Clair County upon payment of \$500.
- When:** Throughout the month of June during normal business hours:
Monday - Friday 8:00 a.m. until 4:30 p.m.
- Where:** Payments are to be made in person or by phone at St. Clair County, Friend of Court, 201 McMorran Blvd., Room 1600, Port Huron, MI 48060
- Why:** Do you or someone you know have an outstanding civil child support warrant with the St. Clair County Friend of Court? If so, the St. Clair County, Friend of Court is here to help. During the month of June, Friend of the Court staff will work with parents who voluntarily participate in this program to help them better manage their obligations.

Anyone seeking to have their civil bench warrant resolved for nonpayment of child support may appear or call the Friend of Court and make a payment of \$500 to have their outstanding warrant recalled. This is a chance for the mothers and fathers who pay child support to make a new start. Parents can discuss their case, set up a payment plan, learn about other programs and see if their case is eligible for a child support review.

Parents with child support bench warrants are sometimes afraid of being arrested. They may not seek help because of this fear. This amnesty program offers a break to those who are serious about addressing their child support arrearages and want to get back on track with meeting their obligations. It will ensure an **arrest free zone** and afford parents an opportunity to openly discuss their child support obligations with staff.

- Contact:** Any questions on this amnesty program may be directed to 810-985-2285.