



Wayne County Friend of the Court

COVID-19 UPDATE

Visit our website at www.3rdcc.org for updates

To speak to a Friend of the Court representative regarding your Friend of the Court case, please call 1-844-785-7593.

To reach the State of Michigan's Interactive Voice Response (IVR) system, call 1-877-543-2660. When asked for the County, enter 929. This system gives automated access to some payment and enforcement information for persons who have signed up for a PIN for their case.



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THE CIRCUIT COURT
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FAMILY DIVISION – FRIEND OF THE COURT

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Wayne County Friend of the Court
COVID-19 Status of Operations

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Friend of the Court operations have changed to protect the safety of our employees and the families of Wayne County. Below is an update on the status of our operations. Updates are always available on the Court's website at www.3rdcc.org.

Customer Service

The Customer Service lobby is closed to the public until further notice. The following customer service options are available at this time.

- You may schedule a virtual appointment with a Friend of the Court customer service representative online at www.3rdcc.org/divisions/friend-of-the-court/friend-of-the-court-customer-service. You must have an updated internet browser to connect to his meeting virtually. Google Chrome and Microsoft Edge are preferred.
- You may call the Friend of the Court Call Center at (844) 785-7593 to speak with a customer service representative. The Call Center offers a courtesy call back option.
- You may call the Michigan State Disbursement Unit at (877) 543-2660 for payment information only.
- You may access your child support case online by signing up for MiChildSupport at www.michigan.gov/michildsupport.
- Attorneys may contact a Friend of the Court child support worker by telephone at (313) 224-5295 or email at focattorneyline@3rdcc.org.

Payment Information

You may make child support payments by:

- Mail to the MiSDU, P.O. Box 30351, Lansing, MI 48909-7851
- Online at www.misdu.com or www.govpaynow.com
- Phone at (888) 604-7888
- PayNearMe to make payments at 7-Eleven, Family Dollar or CVS. See www.paynearme.com for more information.
- MoneyGram to make payments at Walmart or CVS. See www.moneygram.com/billpaylocations for more information.

Filings and Hearings

- All filings must be done by email, mail or fax. Information on how to file a new case, motion, or objection is available at www.3rdcc.org/divisions/family-domestic/emergency-and-non-emergency-filings.
- All hearings are being held via Zoom. Judge and referee hearing Zoom meeting rooms are available at www.3rdcc.org/zoom.
- The Friend of the Court Consent Docket will be held on Tuesdays by virtual appointment and Zoom hearing only. Go to www.3rdcc.org/divisions/friend-of-the-court/consent-hearing-information to schedule an appointment.
- All adjourned Friend of the Court child support show cause interviews are being held via telephone. No new show cause hearings are being scheduled by the Friend of the Court at this time.

Bench Warrants

Respondents may call (313) 224-4066 to try to resolve a Friend of the Court civil child support bench warrant by telephone.

Modification of Support

If you have experienced a change in income due to the COVID-19 pandemic, you may:

- Request a FOC support review by mailing a written request to P.O. Box 829, Detroit, MI 48231, or
- File a motion to modify child support. Forms are available at www.3rdcc.org.

Genetic Testing

Friend of the Court genetic testing will be conducted at Phlebotomy2Go Mobile and Training, 15885 Woodward Ave, Suite 201, Highland Park, MI 48203. Free parking is available.

Additional Resources

Walk-in Friend of the Court outreach assistance is available at the following locations each month:

- UAW Region 1A Local 174, 15140 Livernois, Detroit, MI 48238 (313) 864-7878
1st Friday of the month, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
- Team Wellness Center, 6309 Mack Ave., Detroit, MI 48207 (313) 331-3435
4th Thursday of the month, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

All other monthly outreach events and legal aid clinics have been canceled.

Below are some free legal resources that may be available:

Lakeshore Legal Aid
lakeshorelegalaid.org
(888) 783-8190

**William Booth
Legal Aid Clinic**
wblac.org
(313) 361-6340

**Detroit Legal Services
Virtual**
www.detroitlawyer.org/clinic/

Michigan Legal Help
michiganlegalhelp.org



**THIRD CIRCUIT COURT FAMILY DIVISION
FRIEND OF THE COURT
INFORMATIONAL SHEET**



IF YOU HAVE A QUESTION ABOUT YOUR F.O.C. CASE:

	LOCATION	HOURS
<u>INFORMATION BY VIRTUAL CUSTOMER SERVICE APPOINTMENT</u>	www.3rdcc.org/divisions/friend-of-the-court#/list	Monday – Friday 8:30 am – 3:30 pm
<u>INFORMATION BY PHONE</u>	1-844-785-7593 or 1-877-543-2660	Monday – Friday 8:30 am – 4:30 pm
<u>INFORMATION BY WEBSITE</u>	https://www.michigan.gov/michildsupport	ANYTIME

COURT FORMS ARE AVAILABLE:

LOCATION	HOURS
THIRD CIRCUIT COURT WEBSITE www.3rdcc.org/forms	ANYTIME

WHERE TO REPORT FOR HEARINGS:

TYPE	WHERE TO REPORT	HOURS
<u>FRIEND OF THE COURT SHOW CAUSE HEARING</u>	WAIT FOR A CALL FROM THE FRIEND OF THE COURT	AT OR BEFORE THE TIME OF THE HEARING ON YOUR NOTICE
<u>FRIEND OF THE COURT BENCH WARRANT</u>	TO RESOLVE- CALL THE WAYNE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AT (313) 224-4066	MONDAY – FRIDAY 8:00 AM – 4:00PM
<u>FELONY NON-SUPPORT HEARING</u>	204 FRANK MURPHY HALL of JUSTICE <i>1441 St. Antoine, Detroit, MI 48226</i> or ASSIGNED TRIAL COURTROOM	FOR VIOLATION OF PROBATION WARRANTS, PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION, DOCKET CONFERENCE OR TRIAL – MONDAY – FRIDAY 9:00 AM
		TRIALS IN THE ASSIGNED JUDGE'S COURTROOM AT THE DATE AND TIME OF THE NOTICE OF HEARING
<u>FRIEND OF THE COURT TO FILE and SCHEDULE MOTIONS</u>	TO FILE – VIEW DIRECTIONS AT http://www.3rdcc.org/divisions/family-domestic/emergency-and-non-emergency-filings	ANYTIME
<u>CONSENT HEARINGS</u>	www.3rdcc.org/divisions/friend-of-the-court	TUESDAYS 8:30 – 11:30 A.M. CALL (313) 224-0155 FOR INFO

IF YOU WANT TO MAKE A SUPPORT PAYMENT: BRING PARTY NAMES and CASE NUMBER(S)

BY MAIL: MICHIGAN MISDU P.O. BOX 30351 LANSING, MI 48909 (Money Orders/Personal Checks)	BY PHONE: 1-888-604-7888 24 Hours a day, 7 Days a week (English and Espanol)	PayNearMe: At your nearest 7- Eleven, Family Dollar, or CVS www.paynearme.com	MoneyGram At your nearest CVS or Walmart www.moneygram.com/billpaylocations	ON LINE: www.GovPayNow.com www.MiSDU.com (Credit/Debit Card Payments)
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COURT REMINDER SERVICE

Don't miss your hearing. Sign up for Court Reminder!

If you miss your hearing, the court may:

- Dismiss your case or motion
- Issue a bench warrant for the respondent on a show cause hearing
- Modify custody, parenting time or support without your input
- Enter a default judgment making the defendant the legal father (genetic testing is not required)

Court Reminder Service is a free service that will send reminders by text or email of upcoming court hearings.

Sign up now at www.3rdcc.org/CourtReminderService

TEMPORARY PAYMENT COUPON
Michigan Department of Health and Human Services

ATTENTION OBLIGORS:

This **temporary** coupon is used by individuals to make child support payments. Using this coupon for anything other than its intended use may result in payments not being properly applied. The MiSDU will send you monthly payment coupons to help you identify your support payments. Use this coupon until you receive your payment coupons in the mail.

Obligors are encouraged to visit the MiSDU website at www.misdu.com to learn more about making a one-time or recurring payment by credit or debit card on the MiSDU website.



Temporary Payment Coupon
Michigan State Disbursement Unit (MiSDU)

Name: _____

Make checks payable to: **MiSDU**

Social Security Number: _____

Amount enclosed with payment:

Docket County: _____

\$ _____

Docket Number: _____

Mail payment to:

Include this coupon with your payment.
DO NOT fold or staple this coupon.

Michigan SDU
P.O. Box 30351
Lansing, MI 48909-7851

Please remember to record your docket number on the check.

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Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) will not discriminate against any individual or group because of race, religion, age, national origin, color, height, weight, marital status, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, political beliefs or disability. If you need help with reading, writing, hearing, etc., under the Americans with Disabilities Act, you are invited to make your needs known to an MDHHS office in your area.