

New Rules for Unemployed Parents Who Owe Child Support

A New Law

If you owe child support and are unemployed, a new state law requires you to register with **OhioMeansJobs.com**. This is the free online career and employment center the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services operates in partnership with **Monster.com**. It can make your job search faster, easier and more successful.



OhioMeansJobs.com home page

At **OhioMeansJobs.com**, you can:

- Create and post a resume for employers to see
- View tens of thousands of job openings
- Apply for jobs
- Get interviewing tips
- Take skill and interest tests
- Determine the salary you'll need to support your family and lifestyle
- Take online tutorials and practice assessments


Register on OhioMeansJobs.com


If you have been ordered to seek work as part of a new or modified child support order, you must follow these steps:

- 1) Visit **OhioMeansJobs.com**.
- 2) Click on "GET STARTED" under "Individuals."
- 3) Click on "Job and Family Services Customer" next to this icon: 
- 4) Click on "Child Support Program" next to this icon: 
- 5) Review the requirements.
- 6) Click "REGISTER NOW" or, if you already have an account, click "Sign in here." **You must have a valid email address to complete this step!**

After Registration

After you register, follow the requirements of your seek-work order. You may be required to:

- Create or upload your resume. Be sure to save it to your "Backpack" and click "Active" so that employers will be able to view it. 
- Begin applying for jobs and tracking your job searches. Follow the directions on the website or visit your nearest OhioMeansJobs Center for assistance.

To find your nearest OhioMeansJobs Center, speak with your child support caseworker, call (888) 296-7541, or visit **OhioMeansJobs.com** and click on the icon for OhioMeansJobs Centers. 

If you are legally prohibited from using a computer, contact your nearest OhioMeansJobs Center to schedule an in-person appointment.

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