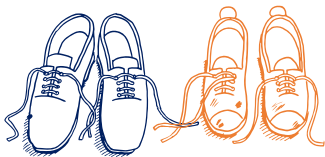


**"DAD - YOUR  
CHOICE HURTS ME"**



**Fewer than 4 in 10 registered child support payors (36%) were in full compliance with payment.<sup>[1]</sup> The vast majority of unpaid child support is owed by fathers.<sup>[2]</sup>**



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“ DAD - WHEN YOU DON'T PAY THE  
CORRECT CHILD SUPPORT TO MUM.... YOU  
ARE NOT PAYING SUPPORT TO ME.

**YOUR CHOICE HURTS ME.**

DAY TO DAY.

YEAR ON YEAR. ”

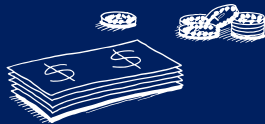


“ THESE EXAMPLES ARE MY LIVING  
EXPERIENCE OF  
PREVENTABLE POVERTY. <sup>[3]</sup> ”

DAD - YOU BUY BOOKS, APPS,  
SUBSCRIPTIONS.

I HAVE NO  
SCHOOLBOOKS.

WE CAN'T AFFORD  
THE BOOK LIST.

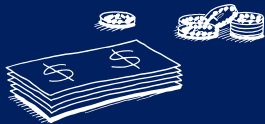


DAD - YOUR  
CHOICE HURTS ME.

DAD - YOU HAVE WHAT YOU NEED (TOOLS/  
SKILLS) TO DO YOUR JOB.

I GET THE SAME  
LETTER EACH YEAR  
FROM SCHOOL ABOUT  
OVERDUE FEES.

WE CAN'T AFFORD  
SCHOOL FEES.



DAD - YOUR  
CHOICE HURTS ME.

DAD - YOU GET DRESSED FOR WORK  
EACH DAY.

I AM EMBARRASSED  
ABOUT MY CLOTHES.  
THEY DON'T FIT.

WE CAN'T AFFORD  
THE NEXT SIZE  
I NEED.



DAD - YOUR  
CHOICE HURTS ME.

DAD - YOU CAN HAVE WEEKEND CLOTHES.

I WEAR THE SAME  
SHOES EVERY DAY.  
SOMETIMES THEY ARE  
WORN THROUGH.

WE CAN'T AFFORD  
SHOES FOR ME.

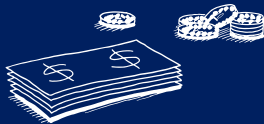


DAD - YOUR  
CHOICE HURTS ME.

DAD - YOU CHOOSE WHICH TRANSPORT  
SUITS YOU BEST.

I HAVE STARTED  
WALKING TO SCHOOL  
AND I CAN'T SEE FAMILY  
OR FRIENDS ON  
WEEKENDS ANYMORE.

MUM CAN'T AFFORD THE  
COST OF REGISTERING OR  
RUNNING THE CAR.



DAD - YOUR  
CHOICE HURTS ME.



DAD - YOU CAN SWITCH THE HEATER ON.

I AM COLD.

WE CAN'T PAY THE  
UTILITY BILLS.

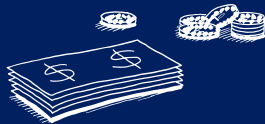


DAD - YOUR  
CHOICE HURTS ME.

DAD - YOU BUY YOURSELF COFFEE.

I HAVE A COUGH.

WE CAN'T AFFORD  
MEDICINE.



DAD - YOUR  
CHOICE HURTS ME.

DAD - YOU CAN GO TO THE DOCTOR WHEN  
YOU NEED TO.

I HAVE TO GET  
WELL MYSELF.

WE CAN'T AFFORD  
FOR MUM TO MISS  
WORK TO BE AT THE  
APPOINTMENTS.

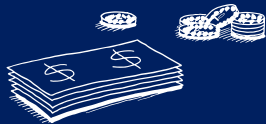


DAD - YOUR  
CHOICE HURTS ME.

DAD - YOU BUY YOURSELF LUNCH.

I AM HUNGRY.

WE CAN'T AFFORD ALL  
THE FOOD WE NEED.

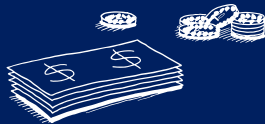


DAD - YOUR  
CHOICE HURTS ME.

DAD - YOU HAVE WHAT YOU NEED (TOOLS/  
SKILLS) TO DO YOUR JOB.

I AM WORRIED WE  
WILL LIVE IN THE  
CAR.

WE CAN'T AFFORD  
RENT.



DAD - YOUR  
CHOICE HURTS ME.

“

PLEASE STOP HURTING ME.

PLEASE STOP LIMITING MY LIVING.



NO BIG BIRTHDAY GIFTS, OR SPECIAL  
TREATS, OR TAKEAWAY ON CONTACT  
VISITS, CAN REPAIR OR MAKE UP FOR  
MY EXPERIENCES OF  
DISCOMFORT, HUMILIATION AND  
WORRY.

DAD – PLEASE CHANGE YOUR  
CHOICES.

”



“DAD – WHEN I AM OLDER  
– HOW WILL YOU ANSWER  
THESE QUESTIONS?”

“DAD - DO YOU DO CASH  
WORK TO AVOID TAX AND  
AVOID CHILD SUPPORT  
PAYMENTS?”

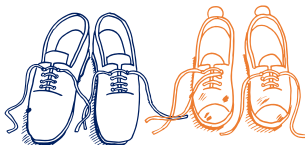
“DAD - DO YOU USE  
LOOPHOLES IN THE SYSTEM  
TO AVOID PAYING IN FULL  
– OR AT ALL?”

“DAD - DO YOU PUT  
YOUR ASSETS UNDER  
DIFFERENT NAMES TO  
AVOID PAYMENT?”

“DAD – DO YOU AVOID  
LODGING TAX RETURNS TO  
AVOID PAYMENTS?”



"DAD - PLEASE  
CHANGE YOUR  
CHOICES"



"TODAY"