



CHILD SUPPORT EVADER JOHN TIJERINA

by Texas Attorney General Greg Abbott

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your help locating Child Support Evader John Tijerina, one of the Most Wanted Child Support Evaders in Texas.

Tijerina, who was added to the Child Support Evader's list in April 2008, owes \$29,851 for the care of two children living in Plainview.

In June 2000, Tijerina was ordered to pay \$165 a month in child support. Tijerina, who had the ability to make his payments, did not follow the judge's order to support his children financially.

Tijerina was given many opportunities to honor his obligation without going to jail. In December 2004, a judge found that Tijerina had violated the terms of his probation to begin paying child support, and ordered him to begin a 180-day sentence on January 26, 2005. An arrest warrant was issued when Tijerina did not report to jail.

John Tijerina has not made a single

child support payment in six years. By refusing to provide the financial resources his children need, Tijerna has turned his back on them and violated the law. A combination of missed payments and interest that accrues on unpaid child support adds up to more than \$29,000 in unpaid child support he now owes.

Investigators from the Attorney General's office have searched the state for Tijerina, who may be living in Kress, a small community north of Plainview. He may be working for cash to avoid garnishment of wages to pay child support. Contact the Attorney General's Office at (866) EVADERS (382-3377) to report information that may lead to the arrest of John Tijerina.

Last AddressKress, TX
Occupation.....General Laborer
Born.....07/27/77
Height.....5'6"
Weight 165 lbs.
Color of Eyes..... Brown

Color of Hair..... Brown
RaceHispanic
Tattoo..... Bar code on back of neck

Texas law requires the Office of the Attorney General to publicly identify certain parents who are delinquent in the payment of child support. The Child Support Evaders are selected because they have the ability to take responsibility for their children but refuse to do so. Incarceration is the only option for parents who repeatedly ignore court orders to pay child support. The Attorney General's Office helps parents who lack the ability to pay child support by referring them to job training and employment services.

Visit the agency's website www.texasattorneygeneral.gov to find out about other Child Support Evaders, and to obtain information about the Attorney General's Child Support Division.

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POINTS TO REMEMBER



MOST WANTED EVADERS

For a parent to be named as a Most Wanted Child Support Evader:

- Court-ordered delinquent support must be in excess of \$5,000
- Arrest warrant must have been issued for nonsupport
- Location of noncustodial parent is unknown
- Parent has not made any payments in the last six months
- Noncustodial parent must not be involved in bankruptcy proceedings
- Noncustodial parent must not be receiving welfare benefits

In order to make child support information public, the custodial parent must sign a confidentiality waiver.

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