

## CHILD SUPPORT EVADER JOHN BALDRIDGE

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needs your help locating Child Support Evader **John Baldridge**, one of the Most Wanted Child Support Evaders in Texas. Baldridge, who

was added to the Child Support Evader's list in April 2008, owes \$25,749 for the care of two children from Denison.

In 2001, Baldridge was ordered to pay \$408 a month in child support. Baldridge, who had the ability to make his payments, did not follow the court's order to support his children financially.

In 2005, the Office of the Attorney General's Child Support Division (CSD) took legal action to enforce the child support order. Based on the CSD's efforts, the court determined that Baldridge owed \$12,000 in unpaid child support and placed him on probation.

An arrest warrant was issued after Baldridge failed to comply with the probation requirement to begin making regular child support payments. His last payment of \$22.37 was made more than three years ago.

By refusing to provide the financial resources his children need, Baldridge 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 \$25,000 in unpaid child support Baldridge owes.

Investigators from the Office of the Attorney General have searched the state for Baldridge. He may be living in Lyford, a small south Texas community located in Willacy County. He also has ties to Denison and Gordonville in north Texas. Past occupations include restaurant management and insurance sales. Baldridge may be working for cash or selfemployed to avoid garnishment of wages to pay child support. Contact the Attorney General's Office at 1-866-EVADERS (382-3377) to report information that may lead to the arrest of John Baldridge

Last Address	Lyford, TX
Occupation	Restaurant
	management/sales
Born	10/11/54
Height	5'9"
Weight	258 lbs.
Color of Eyes	Blue
Color of Hair	Gray
Race	Caucasian

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 flagrantly ignore a court's order 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 Web site <a href="https://www.texasattorneygeneral.gov">www.texasattorneygeneral.gov</a> to find out about other Child Support Evaders, and to obtain information about the Attorney General's Child Support Division.

## **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 non-support
- Location of non-custodial parent is unknown
- Parent has not made any payments in the last six months
- Non-custodial parent must not be involved in bankruptcy proceedings
- Non-custodial 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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