

# Children shouldn't have to pay the price of debt with their mental health

## Debt is leaving children feeling anxious, stressed and ashamed

The impact of debt on children can be both direct and indirect.

Families trapped in problem debt are more than twice as likely to argue about money problems.

Relationships are put under strain as families are forced into a daily battle of juggling different debts with no room to breathe.

The distress and fear of having bailiffs coming to the house or being evicted from your home can have a direct and lasting impact on a child.



A Breathing Space scheme is urgently needed to protect children and young people from the damage of debt

We are calling on the Government to create a [breathing space](#) for families, giving them time and space to repay their debts with no rising fees or visits from intimidating bailiffs.

Join our Debt Trap campaign and help us end the damage to children.

Please support this campaign by signing the petition in church or in one of the Sawston Children's Society shops.

For more information on this campaign, follow this link to The Children's Society website

<http://www.childrensociety.org.uk/the-damage-of-debt>