

Dugard case should be a wake-up call

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The kidnapping of 11-year-old Jaycee Dugard off of a street in South Lake Tahoe in 1991 turned the young girl's world upside down.

It affected the lives of her parents, her friends and family over the next 18 years until she was discovered living as a captive, and a mother, in the San Francisco Bay area.

And now it's cost the taxpayers of cash-strapped California \$20 million in a settlement of a claim filed by Dugard's family that argued that state officials failed to supervise her alleged kidnapper.

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