

# EITC Works!

Lifting Working Families, Boosting Local Economies

EITC Profile:  
Illinois House District 85

In 2012, the state EITC put

**\$1,611,246**

back in the pockets of working families  
in District 85

benefiting **9,363** children.

Children of EITC recipients have

Better birth  
outcomes



Higher  
Educational  
Attainment



More  
Earnings as  
Adults



**7,147**

## Local Impact

Households receive state EITC

	Current (10% of federal EITC)	With Expansion (20% of federal EITC)
Average boost to working families' incomes	\$ 293	\$ 586
Annual boost to local economy	\$ 2.5 M	\$ 5 M

## Why EITC Works

- The EITC lets low- and moderate-income working families keep more of their earnings to help pay for things that help them keep working, such as child care and transportation.
- The EITC reduces the number of children living in poverty and improves kids' chances of success as adults.
- By helping low-wage workers keep more of their incomes, the EITC increases consumer spending which then boosts local economies across the state.

**Double the EITC: Invest in Working Families & Small Businesses!**

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