

# EITC Works!

Lifting Working Families, Boosting Local Economies

In 2012, the state EITC put

**\$ 208,389,933**

back in the pockets of working families in Illinois,

benefiting **1,181,877** children.

Children of EITC recipients have

Better birth outcomes



Higher Educational Attainment



More Earnings as Adults



**902,196**

Households receive state EITC

## Local Impact

Current  
(10% of federal EITC)

With Expansion  
(20% of federal EITC)

Average boost to working families' incomes

**\$ 300**

**\$600**

Annual economic activity from EITC

**\$ 322.3 M**

**\$ 644.5 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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