## **EITC Works!**

Lifting Working Families, Boosting Local Economies

EITC Profile: Illinois House District 26

In 2012, the state EITC put

\$2,670,821

back in the pockets of working families in District 26

benefiting 13,350 children.

## Children of EITC recipients have

Better birth outcomes



Higher Educational Attainment







10,191

**Households receive state EITC** 

**Local Impact** 

Current (10% of federal EITC)

With Expansion (20% of federal EITC)

Average boost to working families' incomes

\$ 340

\$ 680

Annual boost to local economy

\$ 4.1 M

\$8.3 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.

