EITC Works!

Lifting Working Families, Boosting Local Economies

EITC Profile: Illinois House District 5

In 2012, the state EITC put

\$2,519,213

back in the pockets of working families in District 5

benefiting 12,799 children.

Children of EITC recipients have

Better birth outcomes

outcomes

Higher Educational Attainment More Earnings as Adults



9,770

Households receive state EITC

Local Impact

Current (10% of federal EITC)

With Expansion (20% of federal EITC)

Average boost to working families' incomes

\$ 335

\$ 670

Annual boost to local economy

\$3.9 M

\$ 7.8 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.

