## **EITC Works!**

Lifting Working Families, Boosting Local Economies

**EITC Profile: Illinois House District 7** 

In 2012, the state EITC put

\$2,337,486

back in the pockets of working families in District 7

benefiting 12,869 children.

## Children of EITC recipients have

Better birth outcomes

outcomes

Higher Educational Attainment More Earnings as Adults



Addits

9,824

Households receive state EITC

**Local Impact** 

Current (10% of federal EITC)

With Expansion (20% of federal EITC)

Average boost to working families' incomes

\$ 309

\$ 618

Annual boost to local economy

\$3.6 M

\$ 7.2 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.

