## **EITC Works!**

Lifting Working Families, Boosting Local Economies

EITC Profile: Illinois Senate District 18

In 2012, the state EITC put

\$3,153,048

back in the pockets of working families in Senate District 18

benefiting 17,956 children.

## Children of EITC recipients have

Better birth



Higher Educational Attainment More Earnings as Adults





13,707

Households receive state EITC

**Local Impact** 

Current (10% of federal EITC)

With Expansion (20% of federal EITC)

Average boost to working families' incomes

\$ 299

\$ 598

Annual boost to local economy

\$4.9 M

\$ 9.7 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.

