

Lifting Working Families, Boosting Local Economies

## EITC Profile: Illinois Senate District 26

In 2012, the state EITC put

\$1,266,561

back in the pockets of working families in Senate District 26

benefiting 8,757 children.

Children of EITC recipients have

Better birth

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Higher Educational Attainment More Earnings as Adults



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6,685

**Households receive state EITC** 

**Local Impact** 

Current (10% of federal EITC)

With Expansion (20% of federal EITC)

Average boost to working families' incomes

\$ 242

\$ 484

Annual boost to local economy

\$2 M

\$ 3.9 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.

