

A Recovery Rebate for Working Families Tool Kit

The Recovery Rebate is an economic support tool and strategic policy designed to help low-income families meet basic needs. Investments in economic supports for families save money in the child welfare system and most importantly improve outcomes for children and families. This is particularly evident in cases of child maltreatment.

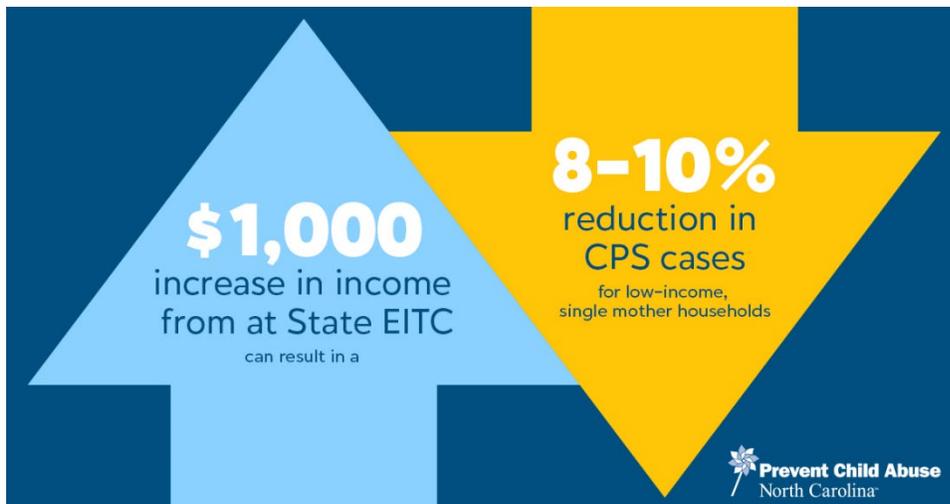
The Recovery Rebate for Working Families will provide direct financial support to families to help them meet basic needs and reduce financial stress, which in turn has been shown to reduce parental stress and depression—both risk factors for abuse.

Nearly 1 million NC families would benefit from a Recovery Rebate, including nearly 1.2 million children. The rebate would give qualifying working families in our state an extra \$500 dollars annually to buy groceries, pay rent, purchase school supplies, or pay for any basic needs.

The CDC advises that boosting a family's financial security can reduce child abuse and neglect by improving parents' ability to meet the family's basic needs, and provide quality childcare, while reducing parental stress and depression.

We want to encourage you to use social media to raise awareness about the importance of the Recovery Rebate for Working Families which is an Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC).

Graphics for Social Media:



The EITC is associated with
reductions
in CPS involvement,
especially for
single mother families
and larger families.



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A refundable EITC has been associated with an
11% decrease in foster care entries
compared to states without a state-level EITC after controlling for child poverty rate, racial/ethnic composition, education, and unemployment.

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Suggested Tweets:

- Reducing the financial burden on families and adding concrete supports can make a difference for **#NC** children and families. Now is the time to re-enact The Recovery Rebate for Working Families Act. #EITC
- Generous & refundable tax credits improve parent & child mental & physical health as well as infant health. **#NC** would see a reduction of a minimum of 361 babies annually born with low birthweights with the reinstatement of a generous & refundable state-level rebate. #EITC
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Suggested Facebook Posts:

- A refundable state Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) set at 20 percent of the federal credit, approximately the national average, would mean an extra \$500 dollars annually for working families in our state. Concrete supports like tax credits are research-based strategies that can prevent child abuse. This will help families tremendously as we recover from the COVID 19 pandemic. Act now to reenact the EITC for North Carolina.
- By design, a state Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) only benefits working families. Children are one of the primary beneficiaries of the EITC since families with children receive a much larger credit than workers without qualifying children.
- The Recovery Rebate for Working Families Act, also known as the state Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC), is a concrete support for families. Concrete supports address tangible needs that help families thrive & prevent child maltreatment.