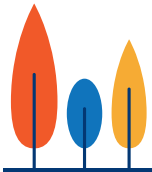


Rural Families Need the EITC



15.4% of rural Americans live in poverty¹.

NEARLY
1 IN 5
rural households claims the EITC².



WHAT IS THE EITC?

The Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) is a critical **anti-poverty tool** that helps families across the U.S. meet their everyday needs.

In 2021, the EITC was temporarily expanded under the American Rescue Plan Act, **increasing its value** for tax filers without dependents and granting **eligibility to young adults** ages 19-24.

MAKING THE EXPANDED EITC PERMANENT IS A MUCH-NEEDED INVESTMENT IN RURAL COMMUNITIES.



21% of workers without children in rural areas

WILL BENEFIT FROM THIS EXPANSION

_____ compared to _____

17% of workers without children in metro areas³.



¹ <https://www.ers.usda.gov/topics/rural-economy-population/rural-poverty-well-being/>

² <https://www.cbpp.org/research/federal-tax/expanding-child-tax-credit-and-earned-income-tax-credit-would-benefit-more>

³ <https://www.cbpp.org/research/federal-tax/rescue-plans-expansions-of-earned-income-tax-credit-child-tax-credit-will>