

Raising Illinois

By the Numbers

Raising Illinois is a coalition of over 1,600 members including parents, providers, policymakers, and other advocates working across 4 priority areas to make a better state for infants, toddlers, and expecting families.

Approximate number of birthing people newly eligible for a full year of postpartum health care from Medicaid in FY23.

15,000

Infants and toddlers who have access to licensed child care slots in Illinois in FY23 (up from 17.8% in FY2020).

1 in 5

3,017

Free Universal Newborn Support System (UNSS) visits provided by nurses to new parents in FY23.



Children with established service plans for Early Intervention currently waiting & unable to access supports for disabilities and delays as of March 2024.

2,144

Infants and toddlers whose families received comprehensive evidence-based home visiting services in FY23.

14,979

Infants and toddlers enrolled in public child care assistance (CCAP) in FY23—an increase of almost 4,000 from FY22!

28,505

Priority 1: Healthy Parents and Babies

Priority 2: High Quality Early Learning

Priority 3: Economically Secure Families

59%

Parents in Illinois with access to any time off from work in 2022, up from 52.1% in 2017.

Eligible non-infant children under age 3 receiving nutritional assistance and other critical supports through WIC in 2021—a drop of nearly 9% from 2018.

32%

Come Join us!

1,600
+ You

Priority 4: Strong Infrastructure

144

Infant/Early Childhood mental health consultants in Illinois, FY23—a 34% increase from the last year.

2027

Illinois' new early childhood agency will launch in FY27, making programs that serve infants and toddlers more cohesive, accessible, and equitable!



Raising Illinois is a diverse coalition of over 1,600 organizations and individuals across over 200 ZIP codes, and we want you! Scan the QR code or visit our website to learn how you can get involved.

