

HISTORIC EDUCATION INVESTMENTS



Building the K-12 teacher pipeline and expanding access to higher education for Illinois' students

INVESTING IN K-12 STUDENTS

Launching a 3-year teacher pipeline pilot program that will direct **\$70 million** per year to 170 districts with more than 80% of unfilled positions to tackle the teacher shortage

\$350 million Investment in K-12 Evidence Based Funding

\$3 million to expand access to computer science coursework and prepare students for the tech economy

\$10 million for a Clean Energy Career and Technical Education Pilot Program to develop high school electric vehicle manufacturing curriculum

FUTURE OF HIGHER EDUCATION



Additional **\$100 million** for MAP grants, a 75% increase since the Governor took office and the highest level in state history

- With MAP and Pell virtually all community college students at or below the median income will have their tuition and fees fully covered to go to school



A **\$100 million** increase for public university and community college operations – this 7% increase in higher education is the largest increase in over two decades

- Includes **\$80.5 million** increase for public universities
- Includes nearly **\$19.4 million** increase for community colleges



HOME ILLINOIS

A multi-year plan to fight homelessness and lift families out of poverty



THE PLAN

Home Illinois begins with a new investment of **\$50 million** this year, bringing total funding to **\$350 million** in key investments to increase homeless prevention, support crisis response, expand housing units and staff, and ensure every person has the opportunity to thrive.

Investments include:

- **\$26 million** to provide homelessness prevention services to 5,000 more families
- More than **\$155 million** to support unhoused populations seeking shelter and services
- **\$25 million** in Rapid ReHousing services to 1,000 households, including short-term rental assistance and targeted support services
- **\$40 million** for more than 90 new permanent supportive housing units and wraparound supports and **\$37 million** to create more than 460 non-congregate shelter units
- **\$12.5 million** to create 500 new scattered site permanent supportive housing units
- More than **\$30 million** to provide street outreach, medical respite, re-entry services, access to counsel and other shelter diversion supports
- **\$5 million** for a new workforce development pilot to help homeless adults attain and retain employment

ADDITIONAL INVESTMENTS TO FIGHT POVERTY

\$50 million increase to Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) so families can afford basic necessities like transportation, electricity, and food

- Increases monthly grant payment from 30% to 40% of Federal Poverty Level, meaning an eligible household with one adult and one child will see their grant **increase from \$340 to \$452 per month**

\$20 million for a new Illinois Grocery Initiative to eliminate food deserts and open or expand grocery stores in underserved areas

\$2 million towards purchasing healthy, nutritious food from Illinois growers to make sure no child goes hungry



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SMART START ILLINOIS

A multi-year plan to transform early childhood education and care for our youngest Illinoisans



THE PLAN

1. Provide every Illinois child with access to preschool
2. Increase funding to childcare providers to raise wages and quality
3. Invest in new early childhood facilities and expand existing locations
4. Reach more vulnerable families with early support and resources

SMART START INVESTMENTS

Smart Start begins with a **\$250 million** investment in early childhood education and care, including:

- **\$75 million** more for the Early Childhood Block Grant to put Illinois on a path to creating more than 20,000 new Pre-K spots
- **\$130 million** for nation-leading Child Care Workforce Compensation Contracts that will stabilize providers and give childcare workers a raise
- **\$40 million** more for Early Intervention
- **\$5 million** to expand DHS' Home Visiting Program



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ADDITIONAL INVESTMENTS



- **\$100 million** in capital dollars for early childhood providers to expand existing facilities and build new facilities
- **\$70 million** for Child Care Assistance Program (CCAP)
- **\$12 million** in funding for scholarships and apprenticeships to expand the childcare workforce
- **\$1.6 million** to launch the Dolly Parton Imagination Library, a statewide literacy initiative to send free books to children from birth-through age five