

HB4264/SB3632: Support Appropriations for Statewide Investments to End the HIV Epidemic

Getting to Zero Illinois Omnibus

HB4264 (Harris)/ SB3632 (D. Turner)

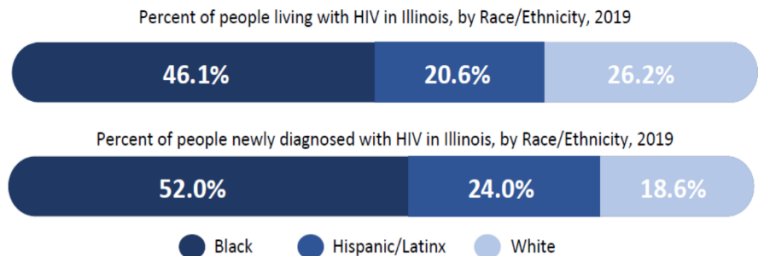
Ending the HIV epidemic in Illinois is a key health equity and racial justice issue.

Getting to Zero Illinois (GTZ-IL) is a statewide community-led initiative dedicated to ending the HIV epidemic in Illinois by 2030. We will do this through increasing access to and uptake of PrEP (pre-exposure prophylaxis) for prevention, retaining more people living with HIV in care and continued funding of ongoing supportive services and programs.



HEALTH DISPARITIES REMAIN

- For more than four decades, HIV/AIDS has ravaged communities across America and Illinois, with access to health care, HIV treatment, addressing HIV-related stigma, and access to PrEP persisting as barriers to lowering HIV incidence rates.
- At the end of 2019, an estimated 41,711 Illinoisians were living with HIV.
- Despite significant progress in reducing new HIV transmissions, dramatic health disparities remain. All genders, ages, racial/ethnic groups, and geographic regions are impacted by HIV in Illinois but not all are impacted equally.
- GTZ-IL prioritizes four communities in Illinois who are disproportionately impacted by HIV: Black and Latino/e/x gay, bisexual and other men who have sex with men, transgender women of color, and Black cisgender women.



THE SOLUTION

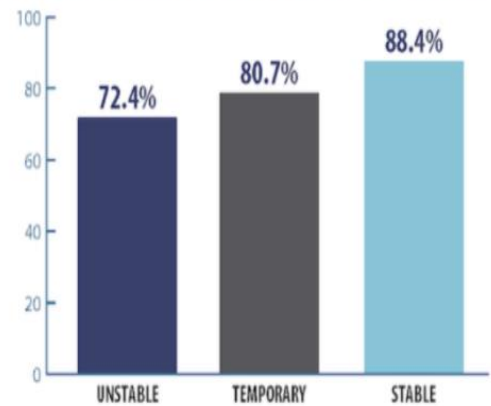
Make a \$15 million investment in critical HIV treatment, testing, and prevention services, centering racial equity and communities disproportionately impacted by the HIV epidemic.

\$10,500,000	Housing and Wraparound Support Services
\$1,500,000	Capacity Building for Black-led and Latinx-led Community-Based Organizations
\$800,000	Programming for Re-Entering Society from Incarceration
\$500,000	Increasing Access to Pre- and Post-Exposure Prophylaxis (PrEP/PEP)
\$450,000	Early Intervention Programming to Identify People Not Currently in Care
\$350,000	Employment Referral Program
\$350,000	HIV Stigma Reduction Programs
\$250,000	Statewide GTZ-IL and U=U Public Education Campaign
\$250,000	At-Home HIV Testing Kit Program
\$50,000	Provider Cultural Competency and Humility Training

THE BENEFITS

- According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, HIV transmission can be virtually eliminated when linkage to HIV medications and medical care are widely accessible.
- Treatment as prevention strategies such as Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis (PrEP) and Undetectable=Untransmittable (U=U) are time-tested, science-based interventions that prevent new HIV diagnoses.
- Addressing social determinants of health, such as employment and housing, improves HIV health outcomes like viral suppression.
- Investing in HIV care and prevention services is not only the right thing to do but ultimately saves the taxpayers of Illinois valuable money and resources.

HIV Viral Suppression by Housing Status



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