



Love Thy Neighbor: Expand Medicaid!

Love our neighbors who can't afford healthcare.



Over 1 million of our neighbors under 65 are uninsured. Medicaid expansion would extend coverage to **600,000** of them.¹

Over 1 in 3 have struggled to pay their medical bills, with many of our neighbors having to choose between putting food on their table or seeing a doctor.²

Over 55% of our neighbors have faced financial barriers to getting healthcare, leading them to:³



Cut pills in half, skip doses, or not fill prescriptions.



Skip a recommended medical test or treatment.



Forgo mental health and/or substance use treatment.

Our neighbors of color have the highest rate of medical debt in collections. Expansion would help **reduce these inequities** in health and wealth gaps.⁴



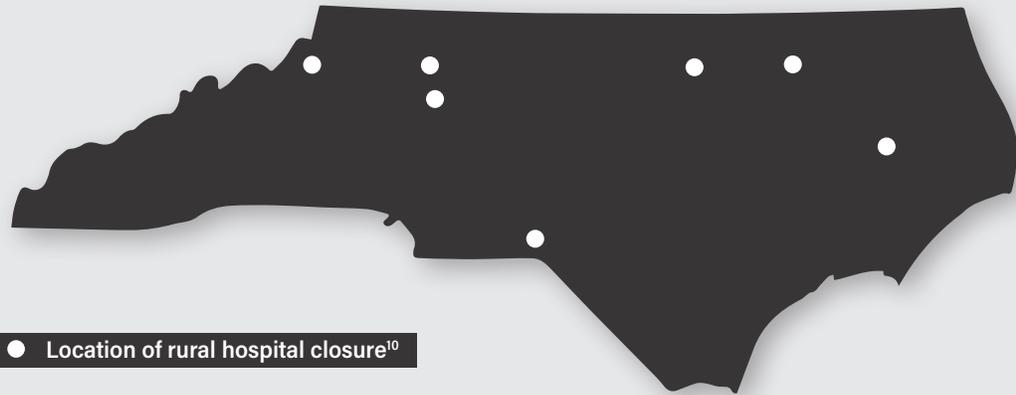
1 in 4 veterans who served in Iraq or Afghanistan are uninsured, and **12,000 veterans** would benefit from expansion.^{5,6}

Love our neighbors in rural communities.



More than 20% of our rural neighbors lack health insurance.⁷

Boosting bottom lines could help avoid rural hospital closures. North Carolina has **lost 7 rural hospitals** since 2010.⁹



● Location of rural hospital closure¹⁰



Expansion would help rural hospitals—a top employer in **44 rural counties**—boost their bottom line by having fewer uninsured patients.⁸

Love our neighbors working low-wage jobs.

The neighbors who are the **backbone of our economy** can't afford healthcare.

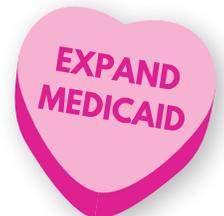
Over 85% of North Carolina's non-elderly uninsured come from working families.¹¹



A single mom of two earning \$25,000...

[She'd] be considered too wealthy to qualify for Medicaid now, unless expansion is approved... Life just beats her down. And if there's something we can do to keep that from happening, we ought to take that opportunity.

— Senate President Pro Tempore Phil Berger



Love North Carolina. Invest in our state's health and wealth.



Bring an estimated **\$3.2 billion** to the state (\$1.5 billion from ARPA + \$1.7 billion from HASP).^{12,13,14}



Save spending on mental health and corrections in state and county budgets.^{15,16}



Connect **600,000** neighbors to affordable care **at no cost** to the state taxpayer.



Boost local and state tax revenue by **\$168 million by 2025**.¹⁷



This is an opportunity to take federal dollars, actually present a savings to the state of North Carolina and increase access to healthcare. I'd call that a pretty good trifecta to do those things.

— House Speaker Tim Moore

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