

KanCare Expansion: Just the Facts

KanCare expansion will not harm the state budget.

States that expand Medicaid generate savings and revenue that can be used to offset the state's costs of expansion and to fund other state priorities. Expansion also creates economic growth – even beyond the healthcare sector – further boosting state revenues and benefiting local communities.

- Thirty-eight states and Washington, DC, have expanded Medicaid. Expansion has been in place in most of these states for several years and the data clearly demonstrate that Medicaid expansion has a positive impact on state budgets.
- Kansas is estimated to gain about \$49 million in state and local tax revenue.
- In many states, expansion has produced net savings because the federal government pays the vast majority of the costs of expanding Medicaid.
 Expansion will continue to have a positive or negligible impact on state budgets.
 At most, the cost of expansion would represent less than 1% of the state budget.
 Conversely, the failure to expand KanCare has cost Kansas more than \$5.3 billion in federal funding thus far.
- Expansion provides states with sources of savings and revenue:
 - As low-income residents gain coverage, federal funding replaces state spending on services for the uninsured. This lowers state payments to hospitals for uncompensated care costs.
 - Some Kansans eligible for the current KanCare program for which the state currently pays 45% of all costs – would instead be eligible for expansion. Kansas would only have to pay 10% of expansion costs.
 - Medicaid expansion creates economic growth and new jobs. Nearly 23,000 jobs in healthcare, retail, construction, and other industries will be created in Kansas following the implementation of KanCare expansion.



Expand KanCare: How You Can Help

Join the Alliance for a Healthy Kansas at expandkancare.com

To share stories about the coverage gap, email marissa@expandkancare.com, or submit your stories on our website at expandkancare.com/share-your-story.

Sign our petition to urge candidates to support KanCare expansion at <u>expandkancare.com/get-involved</u>.

To volunteer to collect petition signatures or to learn more about how you can be a KanCare expansion advocate, email taylor@expandkancare.com.

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