



ALLIANCE FOR A  
HEALTHY KANSAS

## Improving and Expanding KanCare Good for Kansas. Good for Cowley County.

The state budget crisis affects every Kansan. Our schools are underfunded, many of our local hospitals are at risk of closure, and thousands of Kansans go without needed health care. We can bring millions of our federal tax dollars back to Kansas to help address the budget crisis and our health care needs.

Elected officials in Topeka, however, turn back \$1.9 million of our federal tax dollars every day. Instead of investing in a state specific solution that will improve and expand KanCare, these funds go to other states. KanCare expansion is a fiscally responsible way to grow the economy and create new jobs, support hospitals, and give 150,000 hard-working Kansans access to health care coverage. It is a common sense step in the right direction that puts practicality over politics.

## Economic Impact & Job Creation

**Expanding KanCare is projected to bring more than \$5.5 million per year in additional health care spending to Cowley County.** What starts as a small investment in health care will trigger a chain reaction of economic development across our county and state. More Kansans with access to routine and preventive care will bring down costs and create jobs for doctors, nurses, medical support staff, and others, helping to boost local economies and grow small businesses. Over the next five years expanding KanCare will add more than 3,800 jobs in Kansas, including 35 new jobs here in Cowley County.

## Improved Access to Care

**Expanding KanCare will provide health coverage to many residents of Cowley County who fall into a coverage gap** – they earn too much to qualify for the current KanCare program, but too little to get financial help to buy a private plan. With expansion, more Kansans will be able to access preventive care to help them stay healthy and avoid costly ER visits. Our family, friends, and neighbors will have greater financial security and won't be forced to choose between paying their medical bills and paying for other expenses. Healthy, secure Kansans can be full contributors in their communities.

Expanding  
KanCare  
will benefit

Cowley  
County

1,322

Uninsured  
residents  
will gain  
health  
coverage

35

New jobs  
will be  
created

\$5,590,738

In new annual  
health care  
spending will  
create economic  
impact and  
improve health

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