VIRGINIA ORGANIZING

MEDICAID EXPANSION

We support the expansion of the Medicaid program under the Affordable Care Act to serve over 400,000 Virginians from low-income working families that currently have no health care insurance.

MEDICAID EXPANSION FACTS

Medicaid expansion will add about 30,000 well-paying health care jobs to Virginia's economy.

It is estimated that over 400,000 people will be covered as a result of Medicaid expansion.

Some of the people that will be covered under the expansion include parents of children already covered by Medicaid, people with disabilities and people who work in low-wage jobs.

A recent study confirms that expanding Medicaid in Virginia will cost the state **LESS** over the next six years than if we did not expand.

Medicaid expansion will add dollars to our economy, increasing funds available for our general and non-general funds.

If Medicaid is expanded to Virginia, more Virginians' federal tax dollars will be going to help Virginians instead of our tax dollars paying for expansion in other states, like Maryland and California, without the benefits of decreasing health care costs, insuring more people and adding money to our economy.

Numbers are important, but more important are the people behind these numbers, people like Annie.

Annie is a former small business owner from Richmond. For years, she poured her heart, time, and money into her business. Because of this, she went without health insurance. She started to have severe pain, but put off going to the doctor. Finally, she made an appointment at the Fan Free Clinic and was sent to a specialist. She had a very rare tumor that was wrapped around her nerves. She waited so long for help, that she almost lost the ability to walk. Annie worked her entire life and would qualify for Medicaid if it were to be expanded. Annie needs her legislators to stand for her and so many others.