Proposition 3: Bringing Medicaid Expansion to Utah

What is Proposition 3?

Proposition 3 is a ballot initiative to expand Medicaid coverage to people under 65 with incomes at or below 138% of the federal poverty level, starting in 2020. It is intended to close the ‘coverage gap’ for people who cannot afford health insurance on their own, but currently do not qualify for Medicaid.

Who would benefit?

Hard-working Utahns

If Proposition 3 passes, more than 150,000 Utahns would gain coverage.

As of 2016, 265,000 people in Utah were uninsured.

If Proposition 3 passes, many of the estimated 42,000 or more people with mental illness or substance use disorder in Utah who have incomes below 138% of the federal poverty level and are uninsured would gain access to critical community-based services and supports.

Critical Access Hospitals and Rural Communities

It is projected that Medicaid expansion would bring nearly $800 million in new federal funds to the state per year and would create over 14,000 new jobs in the state.

Medicaid expansion has also been shown to be particularly beneficial in rural communities, which make up almost 10.5% of Utah’s population.

Not only does it help more residents in rural areas gain health coverage, but Medicaid expansion also provides much-needed funds to the 13 critical access hospitals in Utah, which provide the only source of hospital care in the rural areas where they operate.

On November 6, support your fellow Utahns and vote YES on Prop 3!