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## **New MIRC Comment**

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**Comment** - As a returned PEace Corps Volunteer and person of faith, I believe that caring for our neighbors means ensuring that all Virginians have access to quality and affordable health care. Expanding eligibility for Medicaid is not only a sound policy decision, but a moral imperative. Medicaid Expansion would cover 400,000 currently uninsured, low-income Virginians who are one health crisis away from financial ruin. I have heard it is estimated that the expansion would bring 30,000 new health care jobs to Virginia. The economy is still recovering from the recession and 30,000 new jobs would be a huge boost the Commonwealth.