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# New MIRC Comment
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**Comment** - Medicaid has enabled me to live. A few years ago, I was walking across a street and was hit by an SUV. It broke 19 bones - my neck in 2 places, my back in 7, all my ribs on the left side. My upper arm was crushed and is now held together by a 4 inch titanium plate. My hip was crushed so severely that it is deformed. I have a stent in my neck's carotid atery. The worst is the traumatic brain injury. I am 54 years old and unable to work due to the severity of the injury. I lost everything after the accident, my house and my belongings. If it were not for Medicaid, I have no idea where I would be living. The SSDI payments enable me to survive at poverty level, but I used to earn 400% above that. I can't afford to file bankruptsy. My foodstamps were cut this year from $200 to $16. Medicaid enables me to afford my physician and the few medications I take. Thank you.