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Comment - Access to health care should not bankrupt anyone and should be affordable to everyone. We need a Medicaid expansion in Virginia to cover those of us who are the most vulnerable to health care costs. As someone who lived without insurance, WITH A JOB, for over 8 years, I know how the insurance was not there because I had pre existing conditions. And the emergency room and free clinic route...I made just a little over the income guidelines (which are VERY low) for that. If we are going to say we are a Nation built on CHRISTIAN principles then we would do well to heed Mathew 25: 31-46 and Medicaid expansion would be a good start! No Virginian should have to do without medical care or be denied medical care because of their income. AND yes it does happen. It happened to me with a broke arm. I didn't have \$500 in my pocket during a temporary layoff and they wanted to send me on a 5 hour drive to see an orthopedic. I didn't have money for that either. So I instead I wore a temporary splint and today my arm is still a little screwed up. So yes WE need Medicaid expansion!!!! THANK YOU.