



# DEAR KERN COUNTY,

Kern County's two main industries, oil and agriculture, have taken serious hits in recent years. Our local community cannot afford another economic setback.

With the expansion of Medi-Cal, Kern County saw an increase of health care related jobs and a boost to the local economy.

Without Medi-Cal expansion, Kern County is at risk! Here are the potential consequences:

- Our public agencies are already facing slashed budgets—an additional **\$305 million** would be eliminated from Kern County's economy.
- People will lose their jobs—about **4,000** jobs in health care and other industries will be lost.
- Our shortage of doctors, nurses, and other health professionals would be made even worse.
- Our local hospitals are finally being paid for the care they are providing—a trend we want to maintain.
- More than **95,000** residents would lose coverage, leaving them with no support when illness, injury or accidents occur.

These losses would devastate our economy and leave many of **YOU** without health care coverage.

**Let's put Kern County first. Let's stand together for Kern families and communities.**



**A #HealthyKernCounty benefits all of us.**



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