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Editor's Note: Media are invited to The Salvation Army Bed & Bread trucks on Tuesday, Oct. 24 at The Salvation Army Detroit Harbor Light System located at 3737 Lawton St. in Detroit. Arrive at 10 a.m. for photos and interview opportunities with Salvation Army and partner spokespersons before the trucks depart at 10:50 a.m. Additional photos and interview opportunities will be available 11 a.m. at the first stop, the Rosa Parks Transit Station.

The Salvation Army, MedNetOne, Partners**Mobilize Medicaid Renewal Process via Bed & Bread Trucks**

Nonprofit partnering with MedNetOne, Michigan Department of Health & Human Services, Henry Ford Health, Authority Health, Molina Health Care, Priority Health, and Michigan Primary Care Association to help metro Detroiters renew Medicaid benefits

DETROIT (Oct. 18, 2023) – [The Salvation Army Detroit Harbor Light](#) is partnering with [MedNet One](#), [Michigan Department of Health & Human Services](#) (MDHHS), [Henry Ford Health](#), [Authority Health](#), [Molina Health Care](#), [Priority Health](#), and [Michigan Primary Care Association](#) to help metro Detroiters in need renew their Medicaid benefits via The Salvation Army's [Bed & Bread](#) Trucks.

After being paused during the COVID-19 pandemic, redetermination of Medicaid coverage resumed this year due to federal legislation. As Michigan reestablishes its redetermination process, one-third of Medicaid recipients could lose their coverage.

"Losing Medicaid coverage will leave already at-risk individuals even more vulnerable," said Harbor Light System Executive Director Jamie Winkler. "The Salvation Army Harbor Light System is a champion for individuals and families who often don't get the health care services they need. This week-long event is aimed at building awareness and offering practical assistance to ensure that eligible individuals continue to receive the vital healthcare benefits they deserve."

The nonprofit and its partners will bring support directly to a vulnerable metro Detroit population every day from October 23 to October 27. Teams of partner navigators will be on-site to answer questions, provide guidance, and assist people in completing their renewal paperwork online.

While these efforts will help metro Detroiters with the steps of reapplying for health insurance coverage, it will not be able determine whether they qualify or get reapproved.

The Salvation Army of Metro Detroit's Bed & Bread program is unique in that it serves people via trucks that are mobile soup kitchens. Through this coordinated effort, this is the first time the program has expanded its services to include Medicaid renewal assistance.

"The Medicaid renewal program is an excellent example of how strong partners can collaborate to address social determinant of health issues at the grass roots level," MedNetOne CEO and co-founder Ewa Matuszewski said. "The Salvation Army's willingness to partner with MedNetOne and area payors to ensure that impacted Detroit residents have an opportunity to renew their Medicaid coverage also reflects the storied organization's dedication to exploring new avenues to provide boots-on-the-ground community health services."

For more information on the renewal process, please visit Michigan.gov/MIbridges.

About The Salvation Army Harbor Light System:

Established in 1939, The Salvation Army Harbor Light System is one of the state's largest drug rehabilitation systems, and the first treatment program in Michigan to be accredited by the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organization in 1975. The Harbor Light skillfully serves individuals, maximizing their potential for recovery, self-sufficiency, and re-entry into society after battling alcohol and drug abuse, and/or housing insecurity. For a second year in a row, the Harbor Light was noted by Newsweek as one of the best treatment programs in America.

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