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I have been a primary care physician in Salem for over a decade. I have witnessed my patients have to choose between paying rent and affording their medication. I have seen them forego necessary medical treatment because they can't afford co-pays. I have had many patients sit in the gap of earning too much money to be covered by Medicaid, but too little to afford private insurance for their families. Healthcare is a human right regardless of one's ability to pay.