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## **Full House at the Waukesha Strategy & Action Meeting** ***Wisconsin is Ready to #Fight4Medicaid***

Madison - Yesterday, Forward Wisconsin held its inaugural in-person Strategy & Action Meeting in Waukesha County. Over thirty people attended the Monday night event at the Unitarian Universalist Church West in Brookfield.

Participants heard updates from Joint Finance Committee Member Representative Evan Goyke (D-Milwaukee), strategies for advocacy by Representative Greta Neubauer (D-Racine), and a discussion of Wisconsin's struggles with a lack of affordable, accessible health care by Dr. Kathy Hardtke and Representative Robyn Vining (D-Wauwatosa). Participants then worked together on projects designed to push legislators to support the Medicaid expansion and activate the 70 percent of Wisconsinites who support the Medicaid expansion.

Rep. Greta Neubauer said, **"We had an incredible crowd tonight in Brookfield. 30+ community members came ready to fight for the Medicaid expansion. It was wonderful to work with so many people on actions they can take in their own neighborhoods to fight for affordable, accessible healthcare in Wisconsin."**

Under Governor Tony Evers' proposed budget, completing the Medicaid expansion would provide affordable, accessible healthcare to an estimated 82,000 people in Wisconsin and reduce private insurance premiums by 7 to 11% statewide. It would save over \$300 million, and the reinvestment of that money in evidence-based health programs would bring \$1.6 billion in new federal dollars to Wisconsin and improve quality of care for all Wisconsinites.

*Forward Wisconsin's next Strategy & Action Meeting is scheduled for Monday, May 20th, 2019 from 7:00 to 8:30pm at Fox Point Village Hall. Participants can RSVP online at the link below:*  
<https://actionnetwork.org/events/north-shore-strategy-and-action-meeting>.

*Forward Wisconsin is a project of the Wisconsin Legislative Democrats aimed at lifting the voices of Wisconsinites who support the Medicaid Expansion and the broader People's Budget proposed by Governor Tony Evers. For more information and to get involved, visit [www.forwardwisc.com](http://www.forwardwisc.com). Find Forward Wisconsin on Facebook at [facebook.com/forwardwisc/](https://facebook.com/forwardwisc/) or Twitter at [www.twitter.com/forward\\_wisc](https://www.twitter.com/forward_wisc).*

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