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*Dear Neighbor,*

As I prepare for the new legislative session, the redistricting process has begun in Missouri for our legislature and congressional seats. I testified at the hearing held in Kansas City as the 2020 census revealed that our District lost 2,104 residents. Our Senatorial district lost 8,835 residents. The city has seen exponential growth in the Northland, Downtown, the Plaza and Westport. There will be changes in how these districts will be drawn, however there is still no clear indication as to what the new map will look like. If you would like to see the data that has been obtained for the new legislative maps, [you can get the information here](#).

Vaccines mandates and passports continue to be a hot topic in our state. The governor has issued an Executive Order today concerning COVID-19 Federal Vaccine Mandates. I have included the bulletin that I received for your review below in the newsletter.

I have been informed that when the House reconvenes in January, hot topic items of Abortion Restrictions, Critical Race Theory and Transgender Athletes will be coming to the House Hearing Rooms for discussion. I am preparing for these debates as the outcome of the legislative decisions can effect the quality of life for Missourians for many years to come.

I know it has been a long pandemic but I am optimistic that we as a nation and a state are moving in a better direction as the infection rates are trending down. I want to encourage you to continue following the CDC recommendations as we are all in this together.

*Yours in Service,*  
**Rich**

Office of Missouri Governor  
**MICHAEL L. PARSON**

## Governor Parson Issues Executive Order 21-10 to Fight Federal COVID-19 Vaccine Mandates

Office of Governor Michael L. Parson sent this bulletin at 10/28/2021  
02:15 PM CDT

## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

October 28, 2021

### **Governor Parson Issues Executive Order 21-10 to Fight Federal COVID-19 Vaccine Mandates**

**(JEFFERSON CITY, MO)** – Today, Governor Mike Parson announced that he has issued Executive Order 21-10 to protect the individual rights of Missourians against overreaching federal COVID-19 vaccine mandates.

Governor Parson released the following statement regarding the Order: "As the Governor of the State of Missouri, I stand with concerned Missourians and will do all I can to stop federal COVID-19 vaccine mandates."

"When President Biden announced his initial plans to force unconstitutional vaccine mandates, we immediately began aligning state resources for legal action. While we hoped the Biden Administration would recognize these mandates as the abuse of authority that they are, they have not, and we must now use every tool we have available to fight this federal intrusion."

"The Constitution and its historical interpretations clearly leave public health decisions to the states. The federal government has no authority to issue COVID-19 vaccine mandates. The Biden Administration acting alone to dictate and mandate health requirements represents the kind of federal power grab the founding fathers warned us against."

"In the State of Missouri, public health decisions are left to the people to either make their own personal decisions or speak through their elected representatives in the General Assembly. The Biden Administration's vaccine mandates undermine and deny Missourians' their right to make personal health decisions and to speak through their elected representatives."

"More than three million Missourians are fully vaccinated. Nearly 70 percent of Missourians 18 and older and nearly 90 percent of Missourians 65 and older have initiated vaccination. Missouri's weekly positivity rate has decreased to 6.4 percent and the number of COVID-19 patients in Missouri hospitals has dramatically declined. Missourians are

using common sense and our numbers have improved without federal mandates."

"Let me be clear, we continue to encourage all Missourians to get vaccinated. We can support vaccination without supporting mandates. We are issuing this order to protect our system of government and the individual rights of Missourians to make their own health care decisions."

"Never before since our nation's founding has a president unilaterally forced vaccinations onto the American people. Due process is a foundational principle of our democracy, and this unprecedented and dangerous action threatens our system of government and the individual freedoms we enjoy."

Executive Order 21-10 orders and directs the following actions to oppose the Biden Administration's overreaching federal COVID-19 vaccine mandates:

- All agencies, boards, commissions, and other entities within the executive branch of state government are directed to cooperate fully and timely with the Attorney General of the State of Missouri in litigation on behalf of the State of Missouri against any federally imposed COVID-19 vaccine mandate or requirement.
- No agency, board, commission, or other entity within the executive branch of state government shall compel any individual to receive the COVID-19 vaccine according to federal vaccine mandates if the individual objects for religious or medical reasons.
- No agency, board, commission, or other entity within the executive branch of state government shall penalize individuals or businesses for non-compliance with federally imposed COVID-19 vaccine mandates if the individual objects for religious or medical reasons.

To view Executive Order 21-10, [click here.](#)

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## Why many say the group redrawing Missouri's legislative districts is doomed to fail

St. Louis Public Radio | By [Jason Rosenbaum](#)

Published October 26, 2021 at 5:16 AM CDT

At the end of a nearly 4½-hour public hearing, the 20-person commission redrawing Missouri House district maps heard from one expert who called the task daunting. Speaking to a commission made up of 10 Republicans and 10 Democrats in St. Louis County last week, former Missouri Solicitor General Jim Layton noted that the Missouri Constitution makes success difficult. Since at least 14 of the 20 members need to approve a map, many observers of the process have felt the commissions are doomed from the start.

But Layton, who handled redistricting litigation for the state 10 years ago, warned that this year is much different. Because of delays in the census, the commission's failure will likely mean the House and Senate maps won't be set until well into the 2022 election cycle. That would almost certainly require the legislature to move the filing deadline for state legislative seats — and throw the primary into chaos if the maps are changed in the summer.

"If you are currently operating or begin to operate or you continue to operate as caucuses rather than 20 individuals trying to do the best for Missouri, you will fail," Layton said.

"So please: Set aside all your preconceptions," he added. "Set aside all of these things you're being whispered in the back. Set aside everything you've said in your caucuses."

While some commissioners are optimistic they can defy precedent and approve the maps by the beginning of 2022, others believe that the commissions are not particularly important — and that a panel of appellate judges will end up being the true deciders of what House and Senate districts look like.

Missouri's state legislative redistricting process is completely separate from how Missouri's congressional maps are drawn. While Missouri lawmakers come up with and vote on the state's eight U.S. House district seats, they have no direct involvement in state House or Senate maps. They can, and do, make suggestions on those maps, though.

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During the recent Inaugural and Bicentennial festivities at the Capitol, I carried a portrait of my late wife, Regina Brown as I walked the red carpet. She is with me always.

# Understanding and Accessing **MISSOURI MEDICAID**

More Missourians than ever now qualify for Medicaid expansion, including parents who have not qualified before, and adults without children. Learn to see if you qualify for Medicaid and how to apply.

## Am I eligible?

Medicaid eligibility depends primarily on the size of your household and your gross **monthly** household income (before taxes and deductions). If your monthly income is lower than the number of people living in your home, **you may qualify**.



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**\$4,092**

## How do I apply?

### **GOOD NEWS!**

Applying is easy, and there are several convenient and accessible ways to do it!

#### **Online:**

Visit <https://mydss.mo.gov/healthcare/apply> to apply quickly via the DHSS web portal

#### **By Phone:**

Call the Missouri Family Support Division at (855)-373-4636 or (855)-373-9994

#### **By Mail or Email:**

Print and fill out an application provided at the web address listed above and mail to:

**Family Support Division**  
615 E 13th St  
Kansas City, MO 64106

Or email to:

**FSD.Documents@dss.mo.gov**

# MEDICAID EXPANSION

## *What You Need to Know*

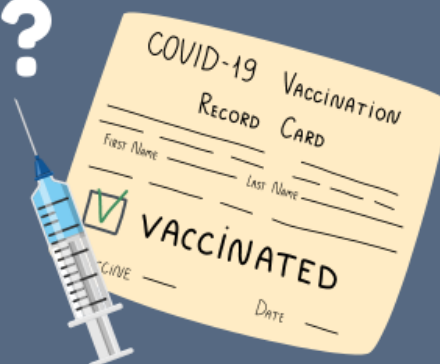
Medicaid coverage expands Oct. 1st, making roughly 300,000 more Missourians eligible for affordable, accessible, quality health care coverage. Here's some info on what this change could mean for you from the Missouri House Democratic Caucus.



Eligibility	Coverage	Application
The newly eligible population includes any adult from age 19-64 living in Missouri and whose household income is below 138% of the federal poverty line. Anyone previously eligible is still eligible as well!	Physician services, psychiatry, family planning services, nursing facility services, home care, lab and X-ray services, family nurse services, dentistry, behavioral health services, and more are covered by MO HealthNet, Missouri's Medicaid program	You can apply for Medicaid at the Department of Social Services website at this link: <a href="https://mydss.mo.gov/healthcare/apply">https://mydss.mo.gov/healthcare/apply</a>

If you have questions, **reach out to your state representative!**

# LOST YOUR COVID-19 VACCINATION RECORD CARD?



## Lost your vaccine card? Here's what you can do in Missouri

BY KAITLYN SCHALLHORN ON JUNE 18, 2021

<https://themissouritimes.com/lost-your-vaccine-card-heres-what-you-can-do-in-missouri/>

Those who have received any of the [COVID-19](#) vaccinations were given a small white card that lists the date and vaccine dose. While most places aren't requiring proof of vaccinations, some businesses, [like cruises and venues](#), might require proof of inoculation.

But what happens if you lose your card?

Missouri does not yet have a digital version of the vaccination card, but those who used the state's [Vaccine Navigator website](#) to schedule their shot would have emails and information on their profiles showing their vaccination information, said Lisa Cox, communications director for the Department of Health and Senior Services (DHSS). However, that's not exactly a digital version of the vaccination record card.

DHSS is not giving out replacement cards, Cox said, but Missourians can request immunization records from DHSS which would include that information.

Missourians can also contact their providers as some pharmacies, [such as CVS](#), can reissue a card if the original has been lost or destroyed.

Some states, such as New York and [California](#), are offering digital vaccination cards. [Walmart](#), too, has a digital record for those who have been vaccinated at its pharmacies can access.

As of Friday, more than 2.3 million Missourians have completed the vaccination process. And 53.8 percent of adult Missourians have initiated the vaccination process. President Joe Biden [had set a goal](#) of 70 percent of adults in the U.S. receiving at least the first dose by July 4.

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## COMMUNITY NEWS AND HAPPENINGS

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# Democrats Deliver TOWN HALL

**Kansas City**

Thursday, October 28th  
7-9pm

**The Missouri Democratic Party thanks  
Teamsters Local 41  
for hosting**

4501 Emanuel Cleaver II Blvd., Kansas City, MO 64130

The Build Back Better agenda is what we need to rise out of the COVID-19 pandemic and bring us into a new world of healthcare, infrastructure and community support.

Short presentations will start the Town Hall, followed by a speaker panel discussion. Topics include COVID-19 relief, the Bipartisan Infrastructure Bill and more. Elected officials and 2022 candidates are invited for discussion.

**RSVP to [info@missouridems.org](mailto:info@missouridems.org)**

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I had a chance to see firsthand the progress of the construction of the new aquarium being built at the Kansas City Zoo. I am pictured with Mayor Lucas at the event.



I protested the execution of Ernest Johnson.



Richard Brown is at Goodwill Stores.

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The grand opening and ribbon-cutting for the new Goodwill store located in the Brywood Shopping Center on 63rd Street was very well attended today. Support our citizens who are work challenged by shopping at the Goodwill. Thank you [Kristen Wood](#) for having me! I found a rare Lionel Hampton album for \$2. I will cherish it forever!



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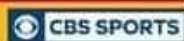
At a recent event for Swope Health Centers with Rep. Ashleigh Bland Manlove, Jackson County Prosecutor Jean Peters Baker and Kansas State Senator David Haley.

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 CBS SPORTS



As part of my duties as a Tourism Commissioner, I recently attended the Ascension Charity Golf Classic in St. Louis. This event is a huge win for the state of Missouri as the tournament will be held for the next four years. Golf legends Jack Nicklaus, Tom Watson, Hale Irwin, Veejay Singh, John Daley and others participated. I am pictured with Claudia Kehoe and her husband, Lieutenant Governor Mike Kehoe.

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## **The Pandemic aint over!**





A woman with long brown hair, wearing a light blue surgical mask and a bright pink zip-up jacket, stands in front of a blue backdrop. The backdrop has the word "VACCINATED!" repeated in white and yellow, along with logos for TMC and UH. She is holding a small white card that says "Vaccinated" with a checkmark.

**"Working from home has been isolating. I'm ready to get out of that bubble and into the real world."**  
- Sara Huff receiving her COVID-19 vaccine

**TMC/UH welcomes  
WALK-IN appointments  
for the COVID-19 vaccine**

**Downtown and Lakewood locations  
Monday- Friday 7am-2pm**



**Rep. Tom Hannegan  
1970 -2021**

Rep. Tom Hannegan (R-St. Charles) passed away suddenly and unexpectedly last week. He was a well liked and regarded in the legislature. I will miss him.



**Paul Wrabec**  
**1956 - 2021**

Paul Wrabec, Chair of the Jackson County Democrats passed away suddenly on Oct. 20th. Paul was instrumental in Jackson County politics for many years.

**The reward has been raised to**  
**\$30,000 for Dominic**



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**GREATER KANSAS CITY CRIME STOPPERS**  
**816-474-TIPS HOTLINE**

**PRESS RELEASE**  
**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

**FROM: Det. Kevin Boehm, Crime Stoppers Coordinator**

**SUBJECT: Reward Increase – 9 Year Old Dominic Young Homicide**

**KANSAS CITY, MO --- The Kansas City, Missouri Police Department and the Greater KC Crime Stoppers TIPS Hotline continue to seek information in the January 20, 2018 homicide of 9 year old Dominic Young Jr. at 71 Highway and Emanuel Cleaver II Blvd.**

Dominic Young Jr. was apparently hit by a stray gunshot while occupying a vehicle driven by his father and died as a result of his injuries. Dominic, his father and brother were en route to Grandview at the time. The vehicle driven by Dominic's father was hit by gunshots from other vehicles apparently engaged in a gunfight according to statements.

KCPD found a possible crime scene near the intersection where the father said the shooting happened. When the father arrived home in Grandview, Dominic was not responsive. Grandview police initially responded to the father's home and found the boy in critical condition. He was later pronounced dead at a hospital.

A number of community leaders and organizations including State Representative Richard Brown, Mayor Pro Tem Kevin McManus, former City Councilmen Scott Taylor, Scott Wagner, John Sharp; the City of KCMO and Concord Fortress of Hope Church (Pastor Ron Lindsay) have come forward to increase the existing reward in the case up to \$30,000.00. Those leaders are available for comment in regard to the case.

Anyone with information is urged to contact Crime Stoppers Greater Kansas City TIPS Hotline at 816-474-TIPS (8477), TIPS may also be submitted electronically at [www.KCcrimestoppers.com](http://www.KCcrimestoppers.com), or by downloading our NEW mobile app, P3TIPS, on Google Play or the Apple iOS stores for FREE. Information leading to an arrest and/or filing of charges could be eligible for up to \$30,000.00 in reward money. ALL INFORMATION IS ANONYMOUS.



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**\* A program of the KC Metropolitan Crime Commission**

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My office in Jefferson City is available to assist you with questions you may have about state government or legislative issues. Please call, email or write anytime. If you are unable to reach me, my assistant, Donna Gentzsch is ready to help you. If you are in Jefferson City, come by my Capitol office in room 134, and introduce yourself. The door is always open and I encourage you to visit.

Please forward this email to your friends and family who want to know how what is happening in Jefferson City will impact them here at home.



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