

The end of the Public Health Emergency: What does it mean?

3 Years. 39 Months. 1,196 Days. 28,703 Hours.
That is how long the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency (PHE) was in effect.

Over three years ago the US Dept of Health enacted the initial COVID-19 PHE which provided the first of many flexibilities to health centers and other health care providers to boost their response on the front lines of a new global pandemic.

As you may remember, the presence of the pandemic made finding, providing, and affording health care extremely difficult. In response, **steps were taken to waive or modify eligibility requirements related to enrolling in Medicare, Medicaid and Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP). This included extending coverage and waiving enrollment and income requirements**, so individuals and families were not kicked off or disenrolled in their coverage during the height of the pandemic.

This provision ended on May 11, 2023 and **thousands are at risk of losing their coverage** through the redetermination process that is now underway.

Do you or someone you know need health insurance?

Marillac has Eligibility Specialists to help with this transition. They can help with the renewal process, our Sliding Fee Discount Program, help connect you to Hilltop's Health Access for Medicaid, CHP or the Marketplace, or simply get your questions answered. Email Sarah.Robles@MarillacHealth.org or call (970) 200-1654.

With the expiration of the PHE, it is expected that up to 15% of Coloradoans currently enrolled in Medicare, Medicaid, and CHIP, may lose their coverage and become uninsured.

At Marillac, we anticipate up to 1,500 Medicaid patients to become uninsured and be put on our sliding fee scale.

They need your help. Please make a gift today and help us cover their needs and strengthen our community.

Scan this QR code with your phone or visit MarillacHealth.org.



Update on the "New Doors to Health" Care Site



We have exciting news!

As you know, plans have been underway to build a new care center to better serve our patients. We initially thought it would be located adjacent to the Clifton Community Campus now under development. Unfortunately, engineering and soils studies revealed the location to be unsuitable for the facility Marillac plans to build. Since learning of these limitations, Marillac has been working with County officials and others to secure an alternative site. **On May 23rd, the Mesa County Board of Commissioners approved a resolution authorizing their Administrator to negotiate and enter a contract regarding the sale of a parcel on the north side of the Mesa County Workforce Center at 512 29 1/2 Road with Marillac, pending a boundary line adjustment.** This site meets our commitment to expanding health care to residents of the Clifton, Fruitvale, and Palisade areas.

Comfort Packs at CHS

When members of the Central High School (CHS) Student Senate heard that fellow students were in dire need of basic hygiene products, they decided to act. With an idea to put together "Comfort Packs," two student-senate members reached out to Rosa Gardner, Marillac's medical provider at the Warrior Wellness Center, to see if Marillac could help purchase the products. Without hesitation, Rosa answered, "We are in!" Within three weeks, products were purchased and delivered. One hundred bags were packed and posters in school announced their availability. Many of the handy drawstring bags have been given away, each containing band aids, toothbrush and toothpaste, menstrual supplies, instant hot packs, Chapstick, snacks, inspirational stickers, and a few other items.



New Dentist at Marillac

We are feeling pretty good these days because, after four months of being employed on a temporary contract at Marillac, Dr. Katie Delancy has decided to accept our offer for a full-time Dentist position! As locum tenens, Dr. D was on a path that would take her to various locations, giving her the opportunity to “try out” a community before choosing where to land. A graduate of Michigan State University and Detroit Mercy in dentistry, we are thrilled to have Dr. D’s skills, expertise, and spunky attitude on the Marillac team of oral care experts. Welcome!



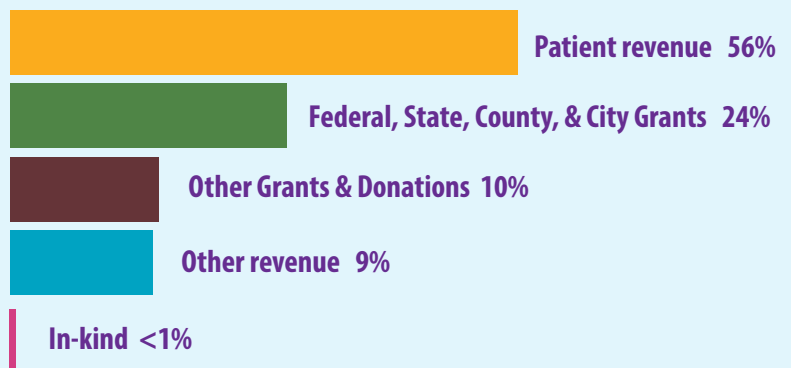
Baker's Boutique's "Big Check" from Gifts from the Heart.



Fun at Edesia

Why Do We Fundraise at Marillac?

The answer to this question is quite simple: because patient revenue does not cover all the expenses we incur when we open our doors and provide medical, dental, and behavioral care to people of all ages, regardless of their income level or insurance status. So, where does our money come from?



On average, 30% of our total revenue comes from grants and donations that support both operations and patient care. That is why your support is so important and so appreciated.

Fundraisers help raise awareness of Marillac’s services and money to fund those services. So far this year, the sale of gourmet cupcakes, a wine dinner, and a food and beverage extravaganza under the name of Edesia, have all raised \$55,996! This number does not include the expected proceeds from upcoming the concert.



Don't wait – scan this QR code with your phone and buy your tickets today! (Or visit MarillacHealth.org/concert/).

Listen to Music – Support Marillac!

Joey Rowland and the Over & Under Band will play to benefit Marillac at Live in the Grapevines Concert Series. Join us on the lawn and under the stars at Grande River Vineyards in Palisade on Saturday, August 26th for a rockin’ good time! Pay \$25 and bring your own chair or blanket; pay \$50 and sit in chairs under the VIP tent with access to the VIP parking, restrooms, and wine/beer bar. Food for sale thanks to local food trucks!



Redlands Lions Club Toys Bring Joy

Visits to the doctor or dentist can be scary for kids, so fun distractions are welcome! That’s why Redlands Lions Club delivers whimsical wooden toys to Marillac every month. One of their members is dedicated to creating wooden toys that end up in the hands of Marillac’s cutest patients, as well as other, also adorable, kids helped by Mesa County nonprofits. Thank you, Redlands Lions (who also support Marillac financially)!

To make a donation or to discuss leaving a gift in your will or estate, visit MarillacHealth.org/Donate or call 970.200.1628.