



Did you know:

- There is currently over \$6,000,000 of outstanding medical debt in Galveston County
- Medical debt is the number one cause of personal bankruptcy in this country
- Medical costs create serious financial problems for 26% percent of American adults each year and 40% of Americans have lingering medical bill problems or outstanding medical debt
- Credit scores are negatively affected and create obstacles towards recovering financially. This worsens the stress of those already coping with significant illnesses or disabilities, especially in this time of Covid-19 and economic disruption.
- Stress can have a significant negative long-term impact on the health and well-being of those affected.

“Galveston County Cares” is a local campaign partnering with churches, civic organizations, and individuals to help our neighbors in distress. We are working with the 501c3 charity **RIP Medical Debt** to raise funds to wipe out the debt in Galveston County.

Outstanding debt can be purchased at a greatly reduced rate. A donation of \$10 will erase \$1000 of a neighbor’s debt. A donation of \$100 will erase \$10,000!

Working together we can make a big difference the lives of many who are struggling with illnesses and medical debt. While we may not be able to solve the entire problem, we believe it “is better to light a single candle than to curse the darkness”.

More information is available on the campaign website, <https://secure.ggiv.com/event/galveston>.

It is easy to donate via the website and every dollar you give will go to erase medical debt for our neighbors in Galveston and Galveston County.

You can also donate by check by mailing a contribution to:

RIP Medical Debt
80 Theodore Fremd Ave.
Rye, NY 10580

Be sure to mark your donation for this campaign by including a note or by writing "Galveston Medical Debt Relief Campaign" in the memo line of a check.

If you have questions please contact galvestoncares@gmail.com or call (409)762-0197.

Every dollar you donate forgives \$100 of medical debt!
Make a difference today.