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**PAUL LUCKADOO**

# Last York Co. prisoner of war from WWII dies

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FORT MILL

Paul Luckadoo, believed to be the last prisoner of war from World War II in York County, died Wednesday at age 93.

Luckadoo was in a German prison camp for 10 months and 13 days, yet was very private about his confinement and rarely

talked about it. "Freedom is not free."

Luckadoo's brother, Hubert, was killed in the same war in the Pacific.

"Paul Luckadoo was a great man and great American," said

At a ceremony at the Fort Mill Veterans Garden on Memorial Day weekend in 2015, Luckadoo talked briefly about the carnage of war and said this:

Wallace Coleman, longtime leader at American Legion Post 43 in Fort Mill.

In September 2015, Luckadoo was one of 13 South Carolina World War II prisoners of war – along with widows of seven other WWII POWs – honored with a S.C. Prisoner of War medal sponsored by state Sen. Wes Hayes and conducted by Gov. Nikki Haley.

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## LUCKADOO

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Area veterans groups and service organizations, including the Patriot Guard and Rolling Thunder and American Legion Post 43 in Fort Mill, are expected to pay tribute to Luckadoo at the funeral at 11 a.m. Friday at First Baptist Church in Fort Mill

with honor guards, a 21-gun salute, and a rolling escort. Luckadoo will be buried with full military honors.

T.J. Martin of York, 86, a Korean War POW who has been involved in prisoner of war activities and

getting the medals for POWs for decades, said that Luckadoo was the last World War II prisoner of war that veterans groups know of.

"Paul's service to his country will never be forgotten, and we will never forget him," Martin said.

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S.C. governor's office

Gov. Nikki Haley presented Paul Luckadoo, left, with the South Carolina Prisoner of War Medal last year in Columbia.

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## RICHLAND RECREATION COMMISSION

# Quit or be removed, legislators tell 5 of agency's board members

■ Ten Richland County legislators demand that five members of the Richland County Recreation Commission's board resign, threatening to remove them if they don't.

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Ten Richland County legislators demanded Wednesday that five members of the troubled Richland County Recreation Commission's board resign, threatening to remove them if they don't. Meanwhile, documents released to those legislators show the Recreation Commission employs at least 10 relatives of embattled director James

Brown III. At least four of those relatives have received raises of more than \$8,000 since being hired, documents show.

Lawmakers said Wednesday they found six "acts of malfeasance" – including "blatant abuses of nepotism" – by the board while looking into recent turmoil at the commission.

The legislators said they will give board members time to quit but will fire

them if necessary.

"I regret that we didn't step in earlier," said Sen. Joel Lourie, D-Richland. "This is a failed structure where we appoint commissioners, County Council funds them and they're accountable to nobody."

State and federal law enforcement agencies have opened probes into allegations of public corruption at the commission.

Current and former Rec Commission employees

also have filed civil lawsuits alleging sexual harassment and other improper behavior by director Brown, who has denied any wrongdoing, and some staffers and board members.

S.C. law gives Gov. Nikki Haley – not the Richland County legislators – the power to suspend them if they are indicted on a crime in-

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volving moral turpitude. She appoints members on the recommendation of the delegation.

But Rep. James Smith, D-Richland, said the legislators have avenues to remove the members, if need be. He would not say what those avenues are. "This only ends with their resignation," Smith said.

The six alleged acts of wrongdoing that legislators cited are:

- Disregard of a hostile work environment for employees

- Blatant nepotism
- Approval of irresponsible pay for Brown – he makes \$151,800 a year
- Multiple allegations of sexual harassment and other inappropriate conduct
- Lack of effective oversight
- Excessive litigation and costs

The legislators asked for the immediate resignations of board chair J. Marie Green and vice chair Barbara Mickens, both also named as defen-

dants in civil lawsuits; board secretary Weston Furgess Jr.; George Martin Jr.; and Joseph Weeks.

Board members Thomas Clark and Wilbert Lewis, who have been more critical of director Brown, were not asked to resign.

The Richland County delegation has been split on how to respond to the recent turmoil. Ten of the 17 delegation members have called for resignations. But others say legislators should stay out of the matter until law en-

forcement completes its investigations.

The lawmakers who signed the resignation demand Wednesday were Democrats Lourie and state Sen. Thomas McElveen, and state Reps. Beth Bernstein, Mary Gail Douglas, Joe McEachern, Mia McLeod and James Smith; and Republicans state Sen. John Courson, and Reps. Nathan Ballentine and Kirkman Finlay.

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## Blatant nepotism?

*Richland County legislators on Wednesday released documents they received as part of an open-records request to the county's Recreation Commission. The commission's response showed the county-funded agency employs at least 10 relatives of executive director James Brown III, and several have received significant raises since their hiring.*

Employee	Original hire date	Starting salary	Title when hired	Latest promotion	Title at promotion	Pay at last promotion	Current salary	Notes
James Brown III	July 31, 1985	\$14,263	Assistant rec center director	Nov. 3, 2010	Executive director	\$110,000	\$151,800	On voluntary leave of absence with pay
James A. Brown	Aug. 5, 2002	\$21,840	Assistant rec center director	June 11, 2016	Director of recreation	\$70,000	\$70,000	Suspended without pay
Tiffani Brown	Jan. 9, 2011	\$22,000-\$25,999	Part-time administrative assistant	July 1, 2013	Technology center manager	\$42,000-\$45,000	\$42,000-\$45,000	
Jeff Brown	March 19, 2010	\$8/hour	Part-time assistant park manager	Sept. 13, 2015	Site manager	\$46,000-\$49,999	\$46,000-\$49,999	Previously employed 1995-98 as assistant park manager
Jada Brown	June 4, 2015	\$9/hour	Camp counselor	No promotions	N/A	No promotions	\$2,839.50	Seasonal part-time employee
Janal Brown	June 4, 2015	\$9/hour	Camp counselor	No promotions	N/A	No promotions	\$2,268.00	Seasonal part-time employee
Jewell Brown	June 7, 2010	\$8/hour	Camp counselor	May 24, 2015	Afterschool director	\$11.50/hour	\$10,355.77	Part-time employee
Calvin McDonald Jr.	March 1, 2015	\$26,000-\$29,999	Custodian	No promotions	N/A	No promotions	\$26,000-\$29,999	
Calvin McDonald Sr.	Feb. 11, 2015	\$22,000-\$25,999	Custodian	No promotions	N/A	No promotions	\$26,000-\$29,999	
Charles Duckett	Aug. 24, 2009	\$22,000-\$25,999	Building and grounds worker	Oct. 1, 2015	Interim facility repairman	\$34,000-\$37,999	\$34,000-\$37,999	
Robert Davis	April 8, 2008	\$22,000-\$25,999	Assistant park manager	Sept. 9, 2013	Site manager	\$38,000-\$41,999	\$38,000-41,999	

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# GOP needs to ready for after Trump

**JORDAN MORALES**

**T**his election cycle, there are three groups of Republicans. The first are the people who enthusiastically supported Donald Trump from the beginning (a third of South Carolina Republicans are in this group). Then there are the people who did not support Trump in the primary, but will support him now that he's the GOP nominee using the eroding justification that Hillary Clinton is worse. Lastly, there are those who have decided Trump just asks too much of them. They believe Trump is a disaster for the GOP and is actually dangerous for the country, even at the risk of a liberal Supreme Court. They are Never Trump.

Most people can probably see by now that Trump is going to lose in a bad way come November. There's little use arguing it, he is incapable of going more than a few days without saying something totally ridiculous. FiveThirtyEight puts Trump's chances below 15 percent, with states like Georgia and Arizona now in play for Clinton. For this, we can lay the blame squarely on his primary supporters. We hope the hard lesson they are about to learn resonates so as not to be repeated. It's a loss that we Republicans need to be prepared to absorb. The Republicans have been diagnosed with terminal political cancer for 2016.

That being obvious, what's curious is the second group of Republicans with people such as Gov. Nikki Haley who spends a lot of time disavowing the

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Jordan Morales is a Republican activist in Columbia and an advocate for Hispanic community outreach.

crazy things Trump says but quietly mutters that she is supporting him nonetheless. Recently, Gov. Haley took some time to slap Trump for his sociopathic feud with a Gold Star family. She went on to say, "At the end of the day, I will continue to say that Trump is the better candidate of the two."

At what point, Gov. Haley, will Trump NOT be the better candidate of the two. Is there anything Trump could do or say to make her, or any other Trump lukewarm endorsers, withdraw their support? Given what Trump has already said throughout the course of

his dumpster fire campaign, I think not.

The damage of a Trump nomination has been done, but now we need to contain it and prepare for post-November without Trump. Remember when I said Republicans had been diagnosed with terminal political cancer for 2016? Well, continuing to offer support for Trump is like knowing you're going to die and then mocking God until you go! It's totally counterintuitive. If you already know you're going to die (politically in 2016), then you may want to prepare for what happens next.

What's next is the "rebrand." It was supposed to take place in 2012 after Mitt Romney lost, however this time around we need to be more resolute if we are going to have any future as a party. But I find it hard to fathom how rising stars such as Haley, Sen. Tim Scott, Sen. Marco Rubio and House Speaker Paul Ryan are going to be able to play a legitimate role in that if they stand with Trump until the bitter end. While the first group of Republicans is definitely responsible for our demise in 2016, the second group may be responsible for the GOP's eternal political death beyond.

Only one recognized South Carolina politician has the gall to do the right thing: Sen. Lindsey Graham. And now he stands alone in South Carolina, asking his fellow politicians to stand with him in being Never Trump for the good of the party and the country. Will they convert?

Probably not. Sen. Graham, you were too good for our party — we weren't ready.



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# Candidate visits ancestor's grave

## GOP's McGill is running for governor

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TRAVELERS REST – Yancey McGill had heard about his famous ancestor buried in Greenville County, but he had never visited her grave or seen the historical monument erected in her honor until Wednesday.

McGill is a former Democratic state senator from Kingstree who served briefly as lieutenant governor and is now seeking the Republican nomination for governor.

More than two years before the election to replace Gov. Nikki Haley, he's already traveling around South Carolina, trying to befriend voters.

During a swing through Greenville County Wednesday, one of his stops was as much personal as political.

It was to the grave of Laodicea "Dicey" Langston, who is hailed as a heroine of the American Revolution for spying on Tories as a teenager and once swimming across a river at night to warn Patriots of an impending attack.

McGill said he is related to Langston through his mother's

family line and had long heard of her but had never visited her grave until Wednesday.

He was taken there by Greenville County Councilman Joe Dill, a longtime friend.

Standing by Langston's grave, McGill said it was a "reverent moment."

"Joe, I'm going to tell you, you don't know what this means to me," he told Dill at the small cemetery on private property in Travelers Rest. "I'm going to bring other family members up here. They need to see this."

Dill also took McGill to an historical monument honoring Langston on property where she once lived along Tigerville Road near Enoree Baptist Church.

The gubernatorial hopeful also stopped by Travelers Rest City Hall, ate lunch with Cliffs Valley residents and visited North Greenville University.

At each stop, he handed out prints of a painting by his late mother of the Statehouse lobby in Columbia.

McGill was scheduled to be interviewed Wednesday afternoon

by Bob McLain of 106.3 WORD, one of Greenville's conservative talk radio stations.

At Cliffs Valley, a luxury real estate community near the North Carolina line, 12 residents told McGill over lunch at the clubhouse that they were concerned about the condition of U.S. 25 between Highway 11 and Travelers Rest.

In response, McGill said he'd make calls to officials with the state Department of Transportation in hopes they'd "show a little love on this road."

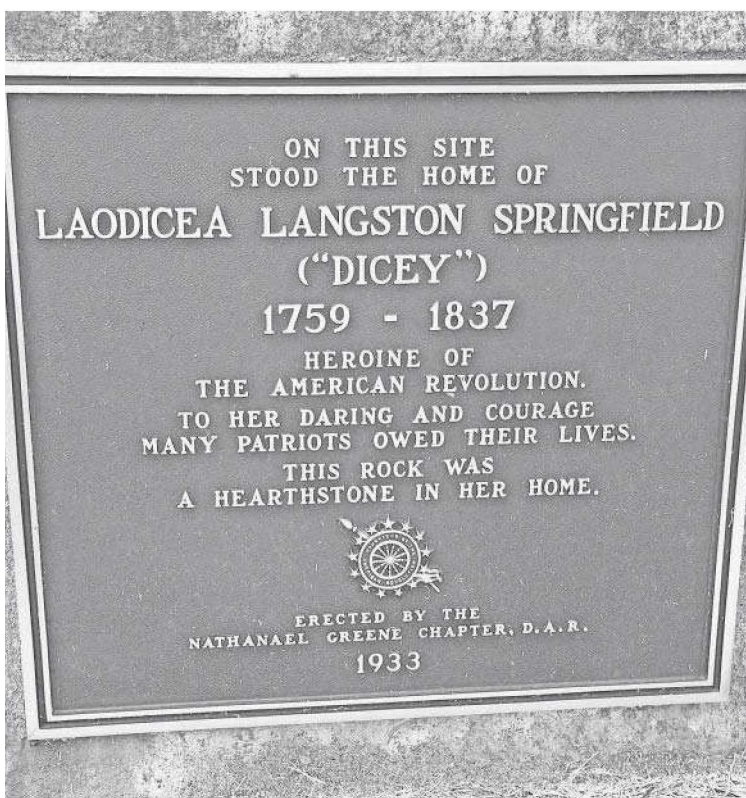
"You would call that politics. Call it what you want," he said.

After the meeting, McGill climbed back into a big black SUV and right away made a call on his cell phone and began talking to somebody about improving U.S. 25.

Dill said he's been a friend of McGill's for years and their relationship grew through his involvement with the South Carolina Association of Counties.

"There's not a lot of show to the senator," Dill said. "He just gets the job done."

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Plaque on the monument to Dicey Langston on private property along Tigerville Road in northern Greenville County.

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**Yancey McGill, a former state senator and lieutenant governor from Kingstree who is running for governor, looks at a monument to Dicey Langston, a heroine of the American Revolution and one of his ancestors.**



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# Domestic violence law training is scheduled

Sessions set for Oct. 12 in downtown Aiken are available to court, law enforcement and government officials

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Training sessions will be made available to law enforcement, government and court officials this fall to become acclimated with the domestic violence law signed by Gov. Nikki Haley last year.

Coordinated and presented by the Cumbee Center to Assist Abused Persons, there will be two sessions on Oct. 12, featuring guest speaker and South Carolina Assistant Attorney General Megan Gresham.

Gresham is expected to talk about the domestic violence law and help those attending on how to best understand and implement the law when working with victims and abusers.

The training sessions are from 9 a.m. to noon and from 1 to 4 p.m. at the Aiken Municipal Building's conference center, 214 Park Ave., according to Susan Selden, Cumbee Center's executive director.

There is no charge for the training sessions. Light refreshments will be provided.

Registration for both sessions will begin 30 minutes prior to the start of each session.

"We are so excited for this opportunity to collaborate with our local law enforcement agencies in gaining a better understanding of these new laws and how implementing them will better serve victims of domestic violence," Selden said, adding the

program is an accredited training session for law enforcement, judges prosecutors, advocates and service providers.

The training sessions in October coincide with Domestic Violence Prevention Month.

In a domestic violence summit in May, Haley and the S.C. Domestic Violence Task Force challenged all counties in the Palmetto State to become certified as safe places for those affected by domestic violence.

"The Cumbee Center to Assist Abused Persons is taking this challenge seriously by providing training in the new domestic violence laws that were enacted last year," Selden said. "When these laws are correctly interpreted and carried out, sentences for violent behavior are more powerful and victims are better protected."

Selden added the Cumbee Center's goal is to, "ensure that all agencies we collaborate with are well-versed in these changes so that victims are not re-traumatized by legal systems that should be working to assist them and their children."

To register, visit [bit.ly/2bDlpfo](http://bit.ly/2bDlpfo).

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# Anyone Home Inc. to create 570 jobs

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Rental management company Anyone Home, Inc. will create 570 customer service jobs in Greenville County over the next five years, Gov. Nikki Haley's office announced Aug. 24.

The company will invest \$1.1 million in the project, which will be housed at 750 Brookfield Parkway in Greenville. Workers will provide assistance to tenants whose landlords use Anyone Home, handling calls about leasing, maintenance and emergencies.

"Anyone Home is the newest member

of Greenville's growing customer service industry," said Greenville County Council Chairman Bob Taylor in a press release. "The company's technology enables us to experience residential and prospect management all in a call center environment. Greenville County welcomes Anyone Home to our community."

Hiring has begun for these jobs, and interested applicants can go to [anyonehome.com/anyonehome\\_culture](http://anyonehome.com/anyonehome_culture) for more information.

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# Haley tells agencies to plan for 3 percent cut

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Gov. Nikki Haley has ordered state agencies to plan for a 3 percent budget cut — about \$206 million — in their spending proposals for next year.

State lawmakers will have roughly \$440 million in added money to spend next year, the state's chief economist projected last week. While the budget is growing, that is only about a third of the added money that the state had this year.

However, Haley directed state agencies to plan for possible cuts in case of an "economic downturn or crisis."

State agencies need to identify areas that could be cut in their budgets now, "instead of being forced to make tough decisions amid economic downturn or crisis," she wrote in a letter to agency directors.

State agencies first must submit

their budget proposals to Haley. Haley, typically, unveils her state spending plan after lawmakers return in January. That plan advises lawmakers on her legislative priorities. However, her plan carries little weight with lawmakers, who write the state budget.

The state budget is made up largely of state income and sales taxes.

Haley's request comes as lawmakers continue to grapple with how to make up for gaps in the state budget.

For example, schools get about \$500 million less this year than state law says they should get. Local governments also got about \$90 million less than state law says they should get.

Meanwhile, other state agencies, including Social Services, have said they cannot do their jobs because they are underfunded and can't fill vacancies. In addition, more money is needed to maintain roads, where crumbling roads have cost hundreds of lives.

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**'ONE OF THE BIGGER ISSUES THAT KEEPS SHOWING UP'**

# Panel questions trooper morale

■ S.C. House panel hopes to have an independent survey conducted of the South Carolina Department of Public Safety to figure out what issues are pervasive at the agency.

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State legislators are worried the state's Department of Public Safety has a morale problem.

During an off-session meeting, a House Legislative Oversight panel on Tuesday continued its ongoing scrutiny of DPS. Lawmakers made no attempt to hide their frustration when questioning DPS Director Leroy Smith and his staff about a range of issues, from how they hire potential troopers to why some get promoted while others get reassigned.

At the crux was whether the agency's procedures are fostering a perception of unfair or unequal treatment for troopers. Rep. Eddie Tallon, R-Spartanburg, said since the July meeting the panel held on DPS, he's averaged three to four phone calls a day from S.C. Highway Patrol troopers expressing frustration with their managers.

Tallon said troopers told him they don't trust their managers

and don't feel they'll be protected if they express those concerns with the agency's leadership. He also said the number of complaints is unusual and stressed grievances weren't just coming from troopers who have faced disciplinary measures.

"There's always a certain amount of griping that goes on, but this seems to be different than just the regular old malcontents," Tallon said.

The panel voted on several recommendations they'll take to the Legislature in January, including requesting the S.C.

Office of Inspector General hire an outside agency to conduct a survey of DPS' staffers on how they feel about the agency's leadership and morale.

Smith, who was appointed by Gov. Nikki Haley to the Cabinet-level post, stressed DPS already conducts its own internal survey of its staff that dives into morale and job satis-

faction. The latest said morale for the entire department was at 3 on a 4-point scale.

"That is very encouraging," Smith said. "But do we want to do even better? Absolutely. We will continue to work diligently toward raising the level of morale throughout the department."

But Rep. Kirkman Finlay, R-Richland, said he hopes the anonymous format of an independent survey will allow troopers to be open about pervasive grievances. "Morale is one of the bigger issues that keeps showing up over and over again," Finlay said. "What I'm hoping is, as we continue to discuss the facts, that perhaps management will see that there are issues that their staff perceives and that the issues are real."

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# Haley renews call for Dept. of Transportation reform

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To assess small-business manufacturing where the rubber meets the road, Gov. Nikki Haley visited Taylors on Tuesday and toured Calder Brothers Corp., a commercial asphalt paving product manufacturer that employs about 75.

While touting recent honors that proclaim South Carolina to be among the nation's friendliest, most patriotic and most attractive to new residents, she reiterated a call for further reform of the state Department of Transportation, a move that she said is needed to fix the state's deteriorated roads.

"The conversation in South Carolina is not revenue," Haley said in addressing questions from employees of Calder Brothers, the makers of Mauldin Paving Products. She did not answer questions from media members.

"We've got the revenue," Haley said. "I don't need another tree bill. I need a pothole fixed. I need my interstates widened. I need to make sure that we've got roadways that work, that we don't have dangerous bridges anymore, and so what I think you will see is a conversation again with the Legislature

saying we can't truly fix the problem if we don't fix the system."

The next session of the state's General Assembly starts in January.

Legislation Haley signed in June enables officials to borrow \$2.2 billion to jump-start road improvements, but she said it does not do enough to alter Department of Transportation governance that relies on legislators looking out more for local pet projects rather than statewide priorities.

"Everybody has been told that if we just increase gas taxes somewhere, if we just add — that's not the problem that we have," she said. "The problem is how you spend the money that we have. The best thing you can do is find out who your House member is, find out who your senator is, and ask them to stop legislatively appointing commissioners. This should either be a Cabinet agency like almost every one of my other agencies where we have state planning and inventory that way, or they should be able to allow me to appoint the commissioners so that we can have accountability. At the end

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of the day, after that happens, the buck stops with me."

Infrastructure investment and workforce development dominated the governor's discussions with the Calder brothers — Glen, David, Wayne and Cameron — and a few of their colleagues, Glen Calder said.

"She's a strong advocate for manufacturing, but in general, from the standpoint of the Association of Equipment Manufacturers, we're trying to get the message out to the country at-large that we need to be a better manufacturer as a nation," Glen Calder said. "There are people like us all over South Carolina, all over the country, really,

that are trying to keep manufacturing alive. Manufacturing is important and vital to good jobs and commerce, overall."

One of the industry's biggest needs is in workforce development.

"It's hard finding welders, machinists, truck drivers. Those kinds of skills are in short supply and big demand," Calder said. "There's an education process that needs to happen with parents to understand it's a heck of an investment in a four-year education. And she can't guarantee you a job when you graduate. But if you want to go learn a welding trade at a fraction of the investment, she can guarantee you a job and a good-paying job. If the state stays focused on manufacturing, it's going to

be a job in a career that you can carry forward the rest of your life."

Haley press secretary Chaney Adams said investments to promote technical education have already been made and are paying dividends.

"We are not only investing in education; we are investing in workforce training for those who are interested in opportunities besides four year undergraduate degrees — and thanks to our investment, companies that call South Carolina home are flourishing," Adams said. "What we see at companies like Calder Brothers gives us all the motivation we need to continue strengthening our workforce and build on the momentum of the last six years."

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Gov. Nikki Haley tours Calder Brothers Corp. in Taylors on Tuesday. The company, an asphalt paving product manufacturer, has about 75 workers.



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Gov. Nikki Haley answers a question from a Calder Brothers Corporation worker.

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# Simpsonville Police collect funding for body cameras

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The South Carolina Public Safety Coordinating Council and the South Carolina Department of Public Safety has awarded a grant of \$58,148 to the Simpsonville Police Department for the purchase of body cameras.

The process began more than a year ago when Gov. Nikki Haley signed a bill requiring all uniformed police officers in the state to wear body cameras. The bill was signed last June in North Charleston, where Walter Scott was shot in the back and killed by then-North Charleston police officer Michael Slager. After video of the incident surfaced, Slager was charged with murder.

Tasked with how to pay for equipping an entire police department with body cameras, many municipalities have sought available grants. Simpsonville began seeking the grant in January.

"Practically everybody in the state has tried something to get funds from the state," interim Simpsonville Police Chief Steve Moore said. "They had a formula to determine how much money they were going to give each agency."

Moore said Simpsonville originally sought a total of 50 cameras which would've amounted to a grant totaling approximately \$78,000. As it stands, the \$58,148 total will provide enough funding to equip Simpsonville's 26 uniformed patrol officers and four school resource officers, with five cameras to spare.

"Our patrol officers interact with the public much more often than say, an investigator or myself when it

comes to answering a call," Moore said. "The spares could be used for folks who might show up for a call on a crime that's ongoing, like an investigator."

"They would then fall into the policy of having to have their conversations recorded. Usually our investigators do their conversations in the office, so they're recorded anyway."

Investigators will sometimes work an extra shift in uniform at a movie theater or concert. On those occasions, they would also be required to wear a body camera.

Moore said there are numerous cameras to choose from on the market, and Simpsonville officials have already done some testing to determine which ones would be best for them. In addition to durability and video quality, Moore said storage is a big factor in reviewing potential purchases.

Moore expects the cameras to be purchased and fully implemented by no later than January.

"We're hoping to have them before that depending on when we order them and if they have them in stock," Moore said. "I know a lot of people are going to be ordering cameras."

Moore said body camera use will be welcomed.

"It can vindicate the officers if somebody says they did something they didn't do," Moore said. "It also will be helpful for the officers to know that they're being recorded. ... They know their actions could be looked at by somebody else."