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### **Lieutenant Governor Bryant Announces Grant for the Middle Tyger Senior Wellness Partnership in Spartanburg County**

**LYMAN, S.C.** – Lieutenant Governor Kevin Bryant is pleased to announce that a total of \$350,000 has been awarded to the Middle Tyger Senior Wellness Partnership through funds provided by the Lieutenant Governor’s Office on Aging’s Senior Center Permanent Improvement Project (PIP) grant program. This award amount is in addition to a required local match, as stipulated by the program’s guidelines.

An award ceremony and general remarks are scheduled for 10:00 a.m. on Monday, May 1, 2017, at [84 Groce Road in Lyman, South Carolina](#). Lieutenant Governor Kevin Bryant and others will be available for media interviews at the conclusion of program remarks.

The PIP funds will be used to renovate the Middle Tyger Community Center to provide a dedicated senior center for the towns of Duncan, Lyman, and Wellford in Spartanburg County. The senior center will include space for socialization, accessible restrooms, a catering kitchen, and a multi-purpose room for group dining, educational and health promotion classes, group exercise, and a variety of other aging related activities. The center is expected to open in April 2018.

“An active senior lifestyle encourages independence and enhances overall quality of life,” says Lieutenant Governor Bryant. “These renovations and improvements will bring many new opportunities to seniors in the area, and I am very appreciative of the state and local leaders who have worked so hard to make it happen.”

The Senior Center Permanent Improvement Project (PIP) grant program was established by the General Assembly in 1991. Administered by the Lieutenant Governor’s Office on Aging, the PIP grant program has since funded necessary construction and renovations projects at senior sites throughout the state.

While the Middle Tyger Community Center is the recipient of the PIP funds, the Appalachian Council of Governments and Area Agency on Aging is the grantee. All funds are disbursed to the grantee through a reimbursement system when certified invoices are submitted to the Lieutenant Governor’s Office on Aging and approved.

For more information on PIP grants, contact Gerry Dickinson at (803) 734-9900.

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