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Senior Event Planned to Highlight Awareness and Preparedness

SENECA, S.C. – On Friday, May 4, 2018, *Senior P.R.E.P.*, a program administered through the Lieutenant Governor’s Office on Aging, will host a spring readiness event to highlight the importance of senior awareness and preparedness. The event will take place at the Gignilliat Community Center YMCA, located at 621 North Townville Street in Seneca. Doors will open at 9:00 a.m., and speakers will begin at 9:30 a.m. Following remarks and brief presentations, those in attendance will be able to visit vendor tables to gather information and ask questions.

“Knowing where to go and who to call when you need help can make all the difference,” said Lieutenant Governor Kevin Bryant. “This is a great example of how the public and private sectors can join forces to encourage our senior population to discuss and learn about important topics within the community.”

The *Senior P.R.E.P.* readiness event will be held in coordination with the Oconee County Sheriff’s Office, Walgreens, the South Carolina Emergency Management Division, the Appalachian Area Agency on Aging, and other local partners. The event is free to attend and open to the public. Starter emergency kits will be given away to the first 100 seniors at the event, and attendees will also be able to turn in unused prescription drugs no longer needed.

“This event will provide a great opportunity for seniors to hear about many issues that are relevant in their everyday lives – all under one roof,” said Oconee County Sheriff Mike Crenshaw. “From area banks to local emergency services staff, we will have folks on-site ready to answer questions and provide helpful information to our seniors.”

Lieutenant Governor Bryant, Sheriff Crenshaw, and others will be available for media interviews at the conclusion of program remarks. For more information on the event or the *Senior P.R.E.P.* initiative, you may call the Lieutenant Governor’s Office on Aging at 1-800-868-9095.

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