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So sorry these are late!

Talking Points for Lieutenant Governor Bryant
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- caregiving effects everyone - past, present or future
- 770,000 caregivers in South Carolina
- In the US unpaid caregiving is equal to the revenue of Walmart ---- \$470 billion
- caregivers are declining - in 2030 ratio of 4 seniors to every 1 caregiver

The LGOA Relationship with Leeza's care connection has resulted in \$20,000 a year for caregiver education.

LGOA staff has been Intimately involved by training and educating caregiver mentors on dementia and Alzheimer's through the HUGS program (along with lexington medical center).

Caregivers are encouraged to find the importance of caring for themselves so that they may in turn be able to care for those they love.

Partnerships like the LGOA and Leeza's care connection are a very tangible way to demonstrate the importance of supporting caregivers across South Carolina.

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