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Governor Returns Excited About New Initiatives To Benefit Senior Mississippians After National Governor's Association

Jackson, Miss.- Governors shared their states' successes with programs for the elderly, children, the disabled, the incarcerated and the impoverished during the National Governor's Association Committee on Human Resources Meeting.

Governor Musgrove returned from the meeting with exciting ideas focusing on senior Mississippians. "We are exploring new ways to develop feasible and accountable solutions, which will address the needs of Mississippi's growing senior adult population," said the Governor. The Governor's office is researching the creation of a single entry point of contact for seniors in need of services, which will streamline information access for senior adults across the entire state.

The existing Meals on Wheel Program is being reviewed to create new and innovative ways to improve the program's outreach to seniors across the state, and Governor Musgrove is considering hosting a Governor's Conference on Aging, which could be held later this year.

"Senior Mississippians are vibrant, thriving and play a vital role in every community across our state," said Governor Musgrove. Seniors serve as mentors, tutors and volunteers, in an effort to make a positive difference in their communities.

Investing in our people, guiding the lives of our children and helping those in need were topics that General Colin Powell discussed with governors. "Children model themselves after adults, and who better to serve as their role models than our senior Mississippians," said Governor Musgrove.

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