

# **Caregivers Initiative**

Giving, Because We Care











23/24





#### 3 Years Ago, We Set Out to Ignite a Movement

To bring caregiving into the cultural conversation with the ultimate goal of acknowledging, supporting, and connecting unpaid family caregivers across the country

#### With our local to national partners, we have reached people through:



TODAY with Hoda & Jenna



Hoy Dia



The Kelly Clarkson Show



**NBCU Talent** 



The More You Know



Apple News





Telemundo



Digital Resource Guide

#### **Did You Know?**



#### **Are Unpaid Caregivers**

providing care to a family member or friend with a chronic, serious, or disabling health condition

And the Number of Family Caregivers is Only Growing

43.5M →

→ 53 M

2020

3.7M Additional **Multicultural** Caregivers

2.2M Additional **Millennial** Caregivers

Source: AARP 2020 Report Caregiving in the U.S.



# Some Don't Even Realize They are Family Caregivers

I don't think of me as the caregiver but I am. It's such an insight like

I don't think of myself as a caregiver. I'm a parent, I'm a daughter, it's my job,

but this [Caregivers Resource Guide] made me look at it differently and think about it differently and all these different aspects of who is a caregiver and then how you could be impacted by that.

- MARY ANNE FEMALE, WHITE, AGE 42-57

# For Hispanics, Caring for One's Family or Community is Deeply Rooted in "Cultural Subconsciousness"

# Obligation and duty

to care for older adults in the family is instilled

#### **Familism**

(prioritization of family over personal needs), is prevalent and strong-rooted

May have other family to help (i.e., siblings), making caretaking more of a

family affair

These can lead to

# failure to identify as Caregivers,

which may result in missed opportunities for them to access existing resources that can assist with the inherent challenges of caregiving.

# Unpaid Family Caregivers are the Backbone of Our Society

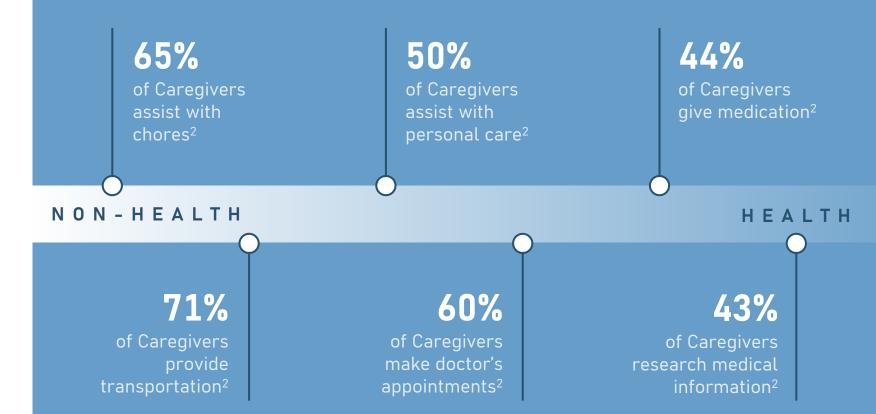
And their role continues to grow

Providing about

\$600B

worth of unpaid care in 2021<sup>1</sup>

#### Caregivers Assist with Many Aspects of Care and Life



#### While Caregiving Can Be Rewarding, it Can Also Be Very Difficult



51%

of caregivers feel their role has given them a sense of purpose or meaning<sup>1</sup>



78%

of those caring for an adult family member face **regular out-of-pocket costs**, with highest burden on caregivers who are **younger**, **Hispanic/Latino**, **or African American**<sup>3</sup>



62%

of working caregivers cite the **emotional stress** of balancing caregiving and work as one of their biggest challenges<sup>2</sup>

# Caregiving can Take a Serious Toll on the Physical and Mental Wellbeing of a Caregiver

The act of family caregiving can bring on high levels of **depression**, **stress and frustration**, whether over **guilt** for not feeling like they're doing enough or being **emotionally strained** from not knowing when to turn off. When they don't come first, their health takes a hit.

% 21%

Report fair/poor health in 2020 vs. 17% in 2015

Y

1 in 4

Caregivers find it hard to care for their own health



1/2

Of caregivers who feel alone cite caregiving for why their health is worse

## While Caregiving Impacts the Mental Health of the Caregiver, it is also a Condition that Many Care Recipients Face

WERE YOU AWARE?

27%

of caregivers for adults reported their recipient needed care because of mental health issues in 2020, up from 21% in 2015.<sup>1</sup>

#### AND THEY SKEW YOUNGER

41%

Mental health issues are more common amongst recipients 18-49, compared to 50-64 (35%) and 65+ (21%).<sup>1</sup>

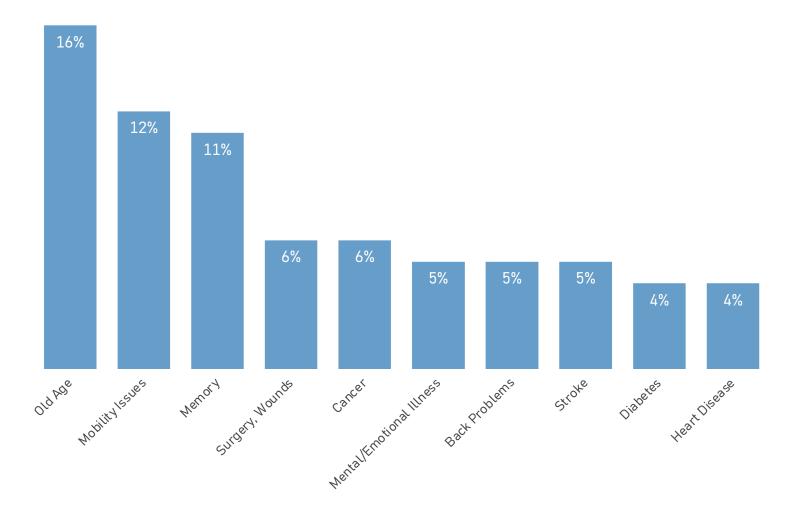
Source: 1. AARP Caregiving in the US 2020 Report

# Mental and Emotional Illness Ranks Among the Top Ten Issues Care Recipients Experience

Struggling with mental illness, on top of other issues care recipients are facing, adds to the complexity family caregivers must navigate.

Source: AARP Caregiving in the U.S. 2020 Report Question: What is /was the main problem or illness you [relation] has/had, for which they need/needed your care? Note that these are self-reports by caregivers about what they perceive their recipient's main problem to be for which they need unpaid care. Memory includes Alzheimer's and Dementia.

### Care Recipient's Main Problem or Illness Top 10



# In Recent Years, There Has Been More Support of Unpaid Caregivers EXAMPLES OF BRANDS TAKING ACTION

77%

of U.S. respondents stated that **brands play an important role** in advocating for positive social and environmental change<sup>1</sup>

2022 National Strategy to Support Family Caregivers





Administration for

**Community Living** 

Released the National

Caregivers as a unified

approach to improving

family caregivers<sup>2</sup>

Strategy to Support Family

recognition of and support for













Formed the "I Am Not Alone Care Alliance" to build infrastructure around caregiving needs and influence policy<sup>3</sup>

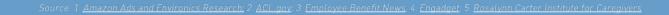


Added custom alerts to notify caregivers of certain home activity<sup>4</sup>



Cigna Healthcare

Partnered with the Rosalynn Carter Institute for Caregivers to host workshops for dementia caregivers<sup>5</sup>



# As Society Increasingly Recognizes the Importance of Unpaid Family Caregivers...

### 9 out of 10

Americans believe unpaid caregivers deserve appreciation and support



...Caregivers are our hidden defense and stealth soldiers

- MALE, 18-34

From 2021–2022, perceived importance of National Family Caregivers Month (NFCM) grew from

56% - 67%



...it is important to bring attention to a service that needs the support of the public.

These people are doing a great service for our society.

- MALE, 55+

#### ...There's Minimal Awareness Around Unpaid Family Caregivers

16%

Awareness around National Family Caregivers Month



Compared to other health-related commemorative months:

90%

Around Breast Cancer Awareness Month 73%

Around Mental Health Awareness Month



### Giving, Because We Care

We're continuing the movement to bring caregiving into the cultural conversation with high-impact moments that build awareness and drive impact for this deserving audience.

TIMING: 4Q'23-3Q'24

KICKOFF:

National Family Caregivers Month (Nov.)

SUSTAIN: 2024

#### **Our Partnership Pillars**



Recognize remarkable people who are dedicated to and care for those in need



Inform and entertain with dedicated resources & tips to make their lives a little easier.



Bringing unique experiences to caregivers, allowing them to connect with their favorite content and each other

#### The Opportunity to Support Caregivers Exists Across Industries



#### **CPG**

Cleaning Products
& Personal Products

Contribute a year's worth of core products to select caregivers



#### **Auto & Travel**

Ride Sharing / Hailing

Offer caregivers free rides



#### Retail

Pharmacies & Retail Giants

Custom caregiver shopping lists & discounts for caregivers



#### Health & Pharma

Telehealth & DTC

Gamified incentives for caregivers giving medication for family members



#### Restaurant

**Delivery Services** 

Gift cards to help with meal planning to offset expenses



#### Tech & Telco

Digital Pharmacies & Ecommerce Giant

Gift new laptop/tablet; Upgrade/pay a caregiver's data plan



#### Finance & Insurance

Financial Advisors & Health Insurance

Branded content helping caregivers navigate the world of healthcare insurance



#### Home

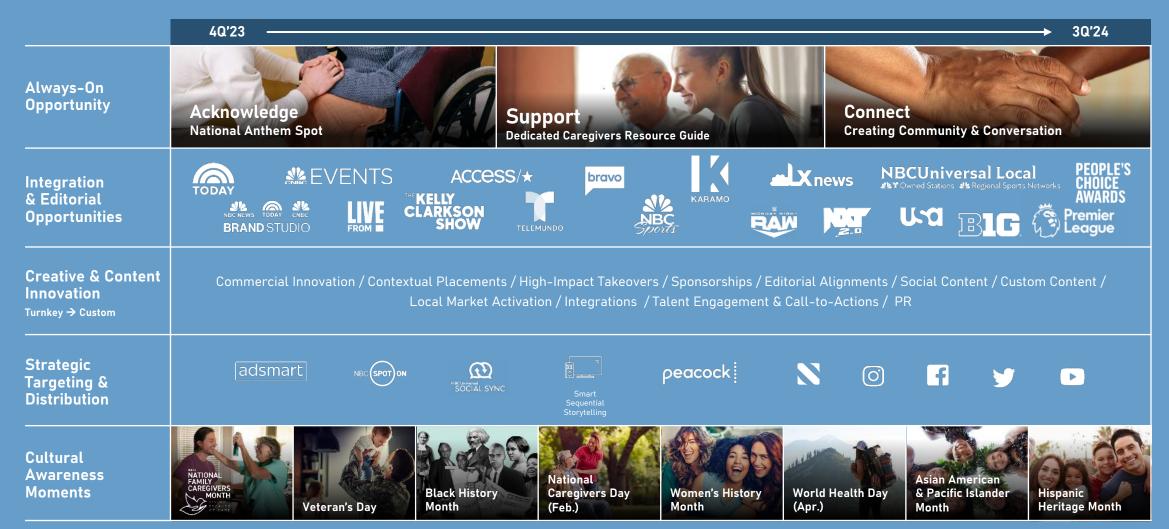
Real Estate & Decor

Home décor guide bringing joy to the caregiver and their family

Thought starters only, subject to change.

#### **Driving Impact For Caregivers With Moments That Matter**

Connect With Audiences Throughout the Year at Any Scale, from Local to National

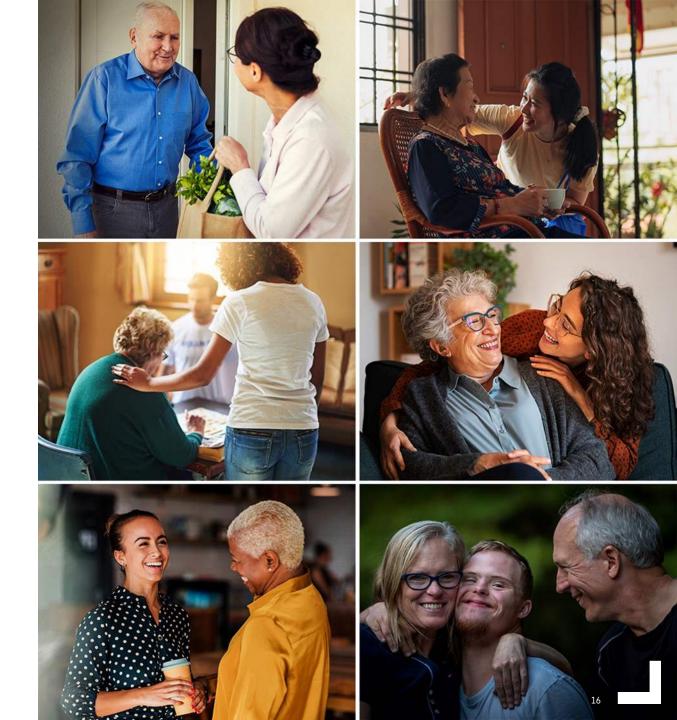


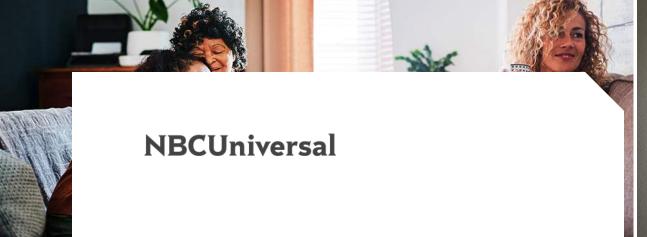
JOIN US AS WE

# Acknowledge, Support and Connect Caregivers

Throughout 2023/24

**NBCUniversal** 





# Thank you

QUESTIONS?

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# NBCUniversal's Inaugural Caregivers Initiative



#### **NBCU One Platform**

Linear, Digital, Social, Talent, PR, Editorial, Custom Content



#### **Top 10**

Audience Value: Caregivers Digital Resource Guide

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